

## **SCTelcom Deploying Fiber in Pratt County Under the Broadband Acceleration Grant Program, (November 1, 2021).**

In March of 2021, SCTelcom was awarded funding under the Broadband Acceleration Grant Program. This program was created to bring critically needed broadband access to Kansas communities. Funded through the Kansas Department of Transportation's Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program (IKE), the Office of Broadband Development administers the program to make more 'last-mile' connections possible across the state.

The funds received under the Broadband Acceleration Grant Program support projects in Barber and Pratt counties. SCTelcom kicked off the program in Barber County and has completed that portion of the project. They have moved on to rural parts of Pratt County including southeast of Pratt, northeast of Pratt to include Preston and northwest of Pratt. SCTelcom hired Wildcat Construction to lay the main fiber line, and construction is moving along rapidly. Customer service connections have begun in these areas in Pratt.

SCTelcom is excited about investing in our neighbors within our communities. SCTelcom realizes the impact of a reliable connection and the opportunities that it provides.

To keep the community informed, SCTelcom provides updates on the company's social media pages and website.

If you are interested in high-speed fiber Internet, please visit our website at [www.sctelcom.net](http://www.sctelcom.net). You can start the process by entering your address. You can also contact a SCTelcom office at 877-723-6875.