

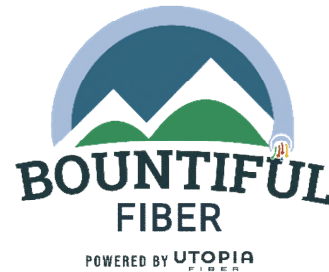
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Bountiful Fiber to Begin Construction in August

*Opposition campaign by Utah Taxpayers Association
fails to garner support from residents.*

Bountiful, Utah – After three years of study and more than two dozen public meetings, Bountiful Fiber will begin construction in August 2023. The City-owned fiber optic network will provide gigabit speeds to residents and businesses who elect to participate.

The project was temporarily waylaid by the Utah Taxpayers Association, who financed a petition effort to force a vote on project funding. Hired signature gatherers ultimately failed to collect enough signatures from registered voters to advance the opposition campaign.

“Bountiful is a unique city,” says Mayor Kendalyn Harris. “Our residents started this process. They organized a ‘Fiber for Bountiful’ campaign that led to a thorough consideration of many options. We now look forward to offering a vital service to residents and businesses in an increasingly digital world.”

Bountiful has partnered with UTOPIA Fiber to install and operate the open-access network. The City will issue approximately \$43 million in revenue bonds to finance the project. Subscriber revenue will cover the cost of the service. Participation in Bountiful Fiber is voluntary.

More information about Bountiful Fiber can be found at www.mybountifulfiber.com.

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