

# Our Mission:

To change lives through technology. CN Texas is leading the effort to increase high-speed internet access, adoption, and use to diversify the economy, improve healthcare access, expand online education and training, create telework jobs, and more.

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## Did You Know?

More than 2 million Texans do not have access to high-speed internet (broadband).

Nearly 1 in 3 rural Texans lacks access to broadband infrastructure.

Over \$5.1 billion in potential economic benefit is left unrealized among disconnected Texas households.

Between 2014 and 2017, small businesses in rural Texas missed out on \$6.16 billion in annual sales and 21,675 jobs because they were disconnected.

Telehealth could help the rapidly shrinking number of rural Texas hospitals and their patients save more than \$20 million in travel and healthcare costs annually.

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The first step in realizing these and other benefits is to understand specifically where broadband is and where it's not, and who is affected.

Read more about how Connected Nation Texas is supporting internet service providers, communities, policy makers, and public and private stakeholders in closing the Digital Divide in Texas.

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# Who We Are:

Connected Nation (CN) is a national nonprofit with a mission to ensure that all can experience the benefits of broadband. Connected Nation Texas, a local program of CN, is a statewide initiative funded through the Texas Rural Funders Collaborative to support all Texans in leveraging broadband. Technology, especially widespread access, use, and adoption of broadband, improves all areas of life. We invite you to join us in changing communities and lives across Texas.

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## Our Work:

Connected Nation Texas is working with internet service providers, communities, and public and private stakeholders to identify the challenges and opportunities for expanding broadband throughout the state.

Activities include:

- Broadband mapping and analyses
- Statewide outreach and education on broadband
- Community Technology Planning

Maps and data, coupled with local community efforts, will help identify the communities in greatest need for broadband. But, we need YOUR help.

Visit the CN Texas website to learn more about what is at stake if rural Texas communities remain caught in the Digital Divide and how you can get involved.

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