



### Why Fiber Stream?

- Your home will have its own DIRECT fiber line connection - no need to share signal from a tower.
- Stable product with reliability - no lag times during peak times
- Higher bandwidth (internet speed) - FASTER INTERNET!!!!
- Stream movies, music, games, etc. with no interruptions or lag to service
- Better WIFI connection to cameras and security systems

**What's the difference from what I have now?** (NOTE: these are my opinions, and are not intended to give any company a poor rating. I personally have Neteo and am very happy with what I have, but would also love to have Fiber)

- If you have Rise or Neteo, you're currently "sharing" broadband internet service with all the other subscribers in our area. This can cause lags or slower speeds during times of high usage.
- Rise and Neteo Broadband is provided by signals from cellular towers. Much like cell-phones, when usage is overloading the tower, service begins to lag.
- CenturyLink provides service in some homes in Burland, but not all. From my understanding, the technology in our area is outdated and there is not any plans/budget to update it.
- If you are happy with your current service, that's great. I am too. However, if we don't move on Fiber, what you currently have may be all you will get (not much improvement unless the companies invest in our area more). With Fiber, we have the option to enhance service and keep up technological advancements.

### **What is required to make this happen?**

- We have an opportunity to receive a grant to help offset costs for the build. While South Park Telephone will be investing a considerable amount towards the build, the grant requires commitment from interested prospects.
- The effort requires 50% commitment from Burland Homeowners (approx 500-600 homes account for 50% of Burland)
- This commitment requires a \$500 one-time fee.
  - The fee will be reimbursed if we do not get enough commitments or do not receive the grant.
  - With your paid commitment, South Park Telephone will waive all installation fees when the time comes to connect your home.
  - You can make two payments of \$250 to help ease any hardships (see attached for more info).
  - Execution of a 3 or 5 year agreement with South Park Telephone is required (see attached for more info).
- Rates for South Park Telephone's packages are attached. They range from \$89.95-\$119.95 (for a 3 year agreement). This does NOT include the modem, which can be leased for an additional fee.

### **Additional thoughts to share.....**

- While \$500 may seem like a big chunk of change, it's an investment for really GREAT technology. My two cents..... I personally expected this commitment fee to be much higher for what we are getting. I truly believe this is an "investment" in our futures. Many forms of communication, business and entertainment are heavily reliant on internet.
- South Park Telephone is currently doing the same thing for a neighborhood in Fairplay, they will have experience and learnings from this effort when they come to Burland.
- The package rates (included in the attachment) are reasonable and competitive with current Fiber providers. Keep in mind, if your internet bill is lower now, you are paying for service that can lag or slow down often.