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Dear Friend,

As we move through the summer, I hope you're enjoying time with your friends and loved ones.

Today, I want to share some quick information about what we're working on at AT&T:

- Investing in our Illinois networks to keep our communities connected.
- Supporting extensions to the state's critical wireless communications laws that make it easier for Illinoisans to connect to school, work, health care, public safety, and entertainment.
- Supporting nonprofits that provide mental health and resiliency resources in underserved Chicago neighborhoods, as part of our Believe Chicago® initiative.

Sincerely,

Eileen Mitchell

President — [AT&T Illinois and AT&T Great Lakes States](#)

Keeping Illinois Connected

We invested **more than \$2.7 billion** in our wireless and wireline networks in Illinois from 2018-2020 to expand coverage and improve connectivity.

More than

\$2.7B

AT&T invested **more than \$2.7 billion** in its wireless and wired networks in Illinois from 2018 to 2020.



Did you know that we offer broadband connectivity with AT&T Fiber® in more than 90 Illinois communities? This is big news because AT&T Fiber offers speeds of nearly 1 GIG for both upload and download,¹ providing the bandwidth for video conferencing, virtual learning, telehealth, gaming, and more.

AT&T Fiber



Arlington Heights	Elmhurst	Lakemoor	Plano River Forest
Aurora	Elmwood Park	Libertyville	Riverside
Belleville	Evergreen Park	Lincolnshire	Rolling Meadows
Bellwood	Fairview Heights	Lincolnwood	Romeoville
Bensenville	Forest Park	Lisle	Roxana
Berwyn	Forest View	Lockport	Schaumburg
Blue Island	Geneva	Lombard	Shorewood
Bolingbrook	Gilberts	Manhattan	Skokie
Brookfield	Grandview	Maywood	Springfield
Calumet City	Grayslake	Melrose Park	Stickney
Calumet Park	Gurnee	Montgomery	Sugar Grove
Carol Stream	Hampshire	Mundelein	Summit
Carpentersville	Harwood Heights	Naperville	Swansea
Caseyville	Hickory Hills	New Lenox	Tinley Park
Champaign	Highland Park	Niles	Urbana
Chicago	Hoffman Estates	Norridge	Vernon Hills
Chicago Ridge	Hometown	North Aurora	Villa Park
Collinsville	Huntley	Northbrook	Volo
Countryside	Jerome	Oak Lawn	Waukegan
Darien, Deerfield	Joliet	Oak Park	Westchester
Des Plaines	Kankakee	Oswego	Western Spring
Downers Grove	La Grange	Park Ridge	
Edwardsville	La Grange Park	Pingree Grove	
Elgin	Lake Forest	Plainfield	



¹ Speeds vary and not guaranteed. Internet speed claims represent maximum network service capabilities and based on wired connection to gateway. Actual customer speeds may vary based on a number of factors and are not guaranteed. Download speeds for Internet 1000 are typically up to 940Mbps due to overhead capacity reserved to deliver the data. For more information, go to www.att.com/speed101.

Critical Communications Laws Extended

Recently, Illinois state lawmakers and Gov. Pritzker extended three critical communications laws that will help keep our communities connected.



- This will help attract investments in Illinois' broadband networks that keep people connected to virtually everything in their lives, including family, work, school, public safety, healthcare, and critical information.
- **Over the next 10 years, the 5G economy will bring more than \$56 billion in GDP growth to Illinois and create nearly 150,000 jobs,** according to a February 2021 study from Boston Consulting Group and the CTIA. This is big news for our economy and jobs!
- The transformation is projected to benefit Illinois communities large and small.

Believe Chicago®: South and West Side Chicago Residents Get Support for Mental Health and Resilience

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We're supporting mental health and resilience programs to help Chicago's south and west side residents as part of AT&T's Believe Chicago® initiative.

- [During Mental Health Awareness month, AT&T announced that it is collaborating with University of Chicago Medicine, National Alliance](#)

[for Mental Illness Chicago and The Kennedy Forum Illinois](#) to support important mental health and resilience education, tools and training for leaders of organizations servicing the city's south and west sides.

- The work is supported by **\$325,000** in contributions from AT&T and the AT&T Foundation.

Among the Believe Chicago efforts undertaken by our nonprofit collaborators:

- A free online conference focused on highlighting the support strategies used to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- Providing community groups, faith leaders and first responders with mental health literacy, tools and resources to better support those they serve – and to better take care of themselves and their own wellness.
- Free evidence-based mental health training sessions for 500 stakeholders across many of Chicago's most vulnerable neighborhoods.

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