



White River Connect News Release

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White River Connect reaches milestone of 10,000 customers in under three years

Branson, Missouri –White River Connect, a local provider of high-speed fiber internet, is celebrating the connection of its 10,000th customer. Dustin Davy from Chadwick, Missouri recently joined the growing network which provides reliable internet and VoIP phone services to rural communities across the Ozarks. To mark the milestone, the Davy family received a 65" TV, an Apple iPad, a gift bag, and was cheered on by several White River Connect employees. The milestone reflects growing demand for dependable broadband across White River Connect's five-county service area and the progress of its fiber buildout since construction began in 2023.



Pictured the Davy family. Front row: Clark and Harrison; Back row: Oziah, Madelyn and Dustin

"Switching to White River Connect was an easy decision for our family because there haven't been many options for internet in Chadwick that have been reliable for us," said Dustin Davy. "White River Connect's internet is affordable and super-fast. After installation, a speed test showed 270 megabits per second on our 250-megabit package, exceeding our expectations."

White River Connect's internet service is creating new opportunities for rural communities. "Reaching 10,000 customers in less than three years is a testament to our local team's dedication



Pictured: The Davy family with members of the White River Connect team

to ensuring our neighbors have access to the best internet available,” said Blake Caruthers, vice president and chief broadband officer. “White River Connect is giving our customers new opportunities to dream bigger—from working at home to gaining better access to education and telehealth. We are proud to serve the rural Ozarks.”

Construction began on White River Connect in June of 2023 to provide high-speed internet to rural areas of Christian, Douglas, Ozark, Stone,

and Taney Counties. The company connected its first customers in Branson, Missouri, in March 2024.

White River Connect is nearing completion of its initial commitment to make fiber internet service available to all White River Valley Electric Cooperative members.

Residents can visit <https://www.whiteriverconnect.com> to check service availability, view coverage maps, express interest, and sign up for service.

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About White River Connect

White River Connect, the fiber subsidiary of [White River Valley Electric Cooperative](#), is dedicated to bringing high-speed internet to rural communities in Christian, Douglas, Ozark, Stone, and Taney counties in Missouri.

About WRVEC

[White River Valley Electric Cooperative](#) is a [Touchstone Energy Cooperative](#) dedicated to ensuring our members receive safe and reliable service in their homes and businesses across five southwest Missouri counties including Ozark, Taney, Stone, Christian and Douglas.