

Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Company: Skywave Wireless, Inc. Project: Bancroft Village Document: Attachment J

Digital Inclusion Plan

Skywave believes every individual, regardless of their physical location or financial status, should have access to ultra-high speed fiber optic networks at an affordable price. Decreasing the broadband gap that exists between large urban areas and small rural villages is one of Skywave's core missions. Individuals and communities should have access to affordable and unlimited broadband. The stay-at-home orders that pushed more activities online, quickly exposed communities that lack adequate access to broadband. Skywave's mission even prior to the pandemic has been to expand services to people in rural Nebraska that meet or exceed what urban residents have in price, speed and reliability for broadband.

Skywave believes in providing affordable services to all of its customers. The base fiber plan comes with a free installation, no data caps, faster than the FCC standard for broadband, and a price that is on average lower than other providers in the state. Skywave has a recently submitted an ETC designation application. The application was approved. It intends to apply for the federal USAC Lifeline program and is currently reviewing the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program in order to better serve lower income residents in our current service areas and any upcoming project areas.