

Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI) Broadband Project
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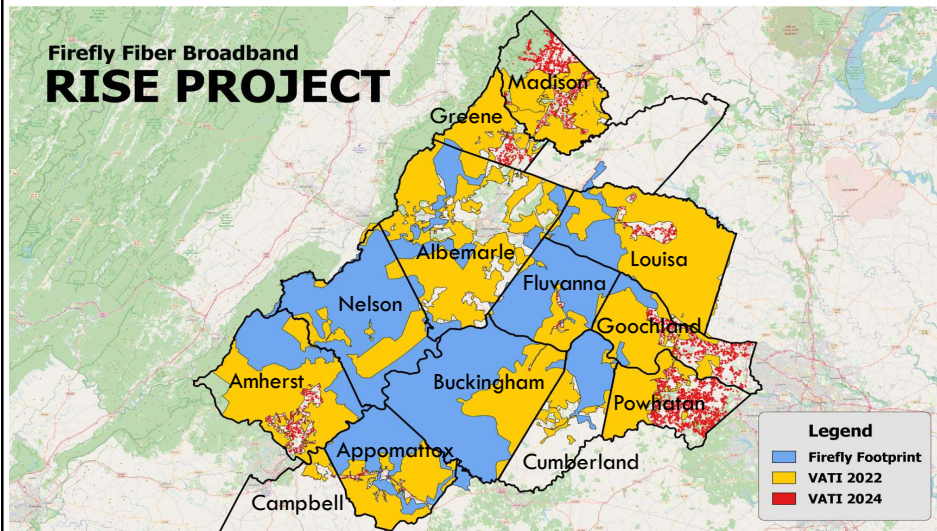
*Partners for Broadband Solutions in Central
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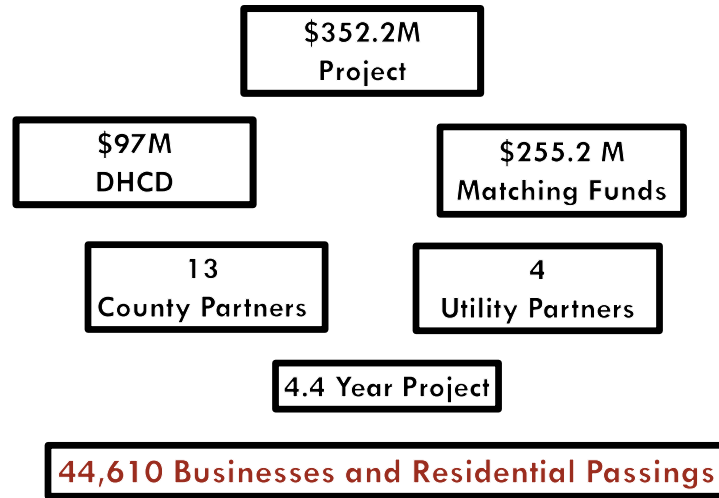
VATI 2022 and VATI 2024 Grants support
Firefly's Regional Internet Service Expansion (RISE) Project



Source: FIREFLY

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Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI) 2022 & VATI 2024
Broadband Project
Expanded Scope/Timing Extension



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Project Highlights

Communication
Fiscal Management
Progress

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VATI 2022 Grant Progress

July Progress Report submitted to DHCD in August 2025

- ❑ 1,600 miles of field data collection
- ❑ 3,859 miles of fiber design
- ❑ 1,151 miles of make ready construction
- ❑ Nine communications huts set
- ❑ 1,639 miles of aerial fiber placement
- ❑ 699 miles of underground fiber placement
- ❑ 2,094 miles of splicing
- ❑ 24,162 passings

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VATI 2024 Grant Progress

July Progress Report submitted to DHCD in August 2025

- ❑ Field data collection, fiber design underway and service drops from aerial construction
- ❑ 25,000 linear feet of fiber completed
- ❑ 126 passings

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Site Visits

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Madison County February 26, 2025

Staff observed site work underway at the newly set Decapolis Communications Hut on Hoover Road that will serve the remaining zones in the county.



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Amherst County March 3, 2025

Staff visited the Naola area of Amherst County and viewed completed aerial fiber construction near the Blue Ridge Parkway.



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Albemarle County, April 28, 2025

Staff visited the St. John Family Life & Fitness Center that was connected for broadband service by Firefly.



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Nelson County May 6, 2025

Staff visited the Saunders Brothers Nursery and Farm Market in Piney River. Many of the orchards and greenhouses are supported by the VATI project and connected to Firefly.



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Louisa County June 12, 2025

Staff conducted a site visit with staff from DHCD and Firefly. The team visited the Cuckoo Fiber Hut in Mineral and observed the fiber connection at the Fifty-third Winery and Vineyard.



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For Additional Information/Updates

[Fireflyva.com/rise/](https://fireflyva.com/rise/)

