



Public Private Partnership Project
Broadband Expansion
Town of Milton

CCT (Cochrane Cooperative Telephone Company) is a Telecommunication Cooperative servicing the ILEC exchange areas of Cochrane, Buffalo City and Waumandee, WI since 1905. CCT provides broadband (high speed internet), local and long distance phone and IPTV service over an all fiber optic network. CCT prides itself on being Community Minded! We were approached in June by the Town of Milton with a possible partnership to expand broadband to those who have a need for the essential service. Timing for this project is critical since the State of Wisconsin through the WI PSC (Public Service Commission) is proposing a new grant cycle for Broadband Expansion within the state.

Discussions began on what a possible project could look like along with researching the level of investment capital that would be needed to fulfill a project of this size. Due to the high cost of fiber and low density of customers, it would not be fiscally prudent to pursue such a project without cost sharing. With that understanding in place CCT and the Town of Milton have continued to plan the broadband expansion in two phases reaching all of the township residences and businesses that are willing to commit to the upgraded service offering. CCT is equally committed as the Town of Milton to financing this project and will be submitting a grant application in January to the state of WI once the Township of Milton commits.

A public/private partnership will need to be formed to apply and qualify for grant and award funds. This project is contingent on being awarded a substantial state grant for both phase I & II of the broadband expansion.

With a cost sharing in the fiber optic network CCT will be able to offer services similar to those currently offered today in Alma, Cochrane, Buffalo City and Waumandee, with broadband speeds starting at 25/25Mbps.

Gina Tomlinson
Chief Executive Officer at CCT

CCT Mission Statement

At CCT, our mission is to deliver cutting-edge technology to our customers and communities, providing exceptional customer care while connecting people and providing solutions. As is our tradition, we will continuously explore opportunities for development while keeping the cooperative stable and viable for decades to come as the area's leading provider enriching rural communities. At the heart of CCT is our vision to be the rural technology provider most admired for its service, products and performance.