

Bullets on Why Bangor Should Facilitate Fiber Based Broadband

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- For every 1,000 homes passed by fiber based broadband
 - Community revenue increases \$500,000
 - 25 new jobs are created
 - Up to \$1.1 million in secondary job impact
 - Increased assessment value of \$2.5 Million

- Societal benefits
 - tele-health - home monitoring, shorter hospital stays, enables staying in home longer
 - education - enables K12 students to engage in learning activities after schools, during extended illness, etc..
 - increase citizen engagement with local government (Read [The Responsive City](#))

- Key Success Factors
 - Broadband Leadership and Catalytic Role by Government
 - Private Sector Ingenuity and Funding
 - Support from Community Forces

- Bangor is being left behind
 - - many initiatives active in Maine
 - Rockport
 - South Portland
 - Ellsworth
 - Old Town/Orono
 - Sanford
 - Islesford
 - Portland ??
 - and nationally
 - Kentucky
 - Ohio
 - Connecticut
 - MassBroadband123
 - Chattanooga, TN
 - Google Cities, Austin, Kansas City, Provo, Atlanta, Raleigh, etc...