

One of These 10 Small Towns Is About to Win Big. Meet the T-Mobile Hometown Techover Finalists.

From Guadalupe, Calif. in the West all the way to Wareham, Mass. in the East, these 10 small towns make the finals in T-Mobile's Hometown Techover: a community-wide tech upgrade valued at more than \$3 million

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BELLEVUE, Wash., July 15, 2021 /3BL Media/ - It techs a village. This past April, T-Mobile (NASDAQ: TMUS) unveiled a contest to win a **T-Mobile Hometown Techover** – a \$3 million tech makeover for an American small town, including a \$200,000 grant, 5G network enhancements, a Little League® baseball field refurbishment, a free concert featuring multi-platinum duo Florida Georgia Line ... and so much more. The chosen town will become the 5G model for communities across the U.S., showcasing the power of the country's largest, fastest and most reliable 5G network – T-Mobile's. Thousands entered, and 10 extraordinary communities representing the heart of small-town America were selected as finalists:

- Borough of Stroudsburg, Pa. is nestled in the Poconos and home to a historic downtown filled with small businesses that are the heart of the economy.

- Dunn, N.C. is a beautiful small town in central North Carolina with a walkable downtown and nurtures tourism with small businesses and museums.
- Girard, Kan. is a town in southeastern Kansas with dedicated teachers who want to help improve their students' connectivity.
- Guadalupe, Calif., located on the Central California coast near the famous Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes, has an economy dependent on the surrounding farms that feed America.
- Hopkinsville, Ky., a charming southern agricultural community with one of the most diverse populations in Kentucky, neighbors the Fort Campbell Army installation.
- Kalispell, Mont. is one of the fastest-growing small cities in the United States located in northwest Montana and is known for its incredible outdoor recreation and proximity to Glacier National Park.
- Tipton, Ind. has a high concentration of veterans within its community and is honoring them with Hometown Hero banners displayed on their downtown streetlamps.
- Wareham, Mass., is a diverse New England town situated just outside Cape Cod on picturesque Buzzards Bay. The economy is rooted in the fishing and agriculture industries and bolstered by tourism, manufacturing and commerce.
- Washington, Mo. is a growing community nestled along the Missouri River that serves as the retail and industrial development hub of the county.
- Woodstock, Ill., listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is a diverse city known for its historic downtown district and turn-of-the-century town square.

“Right on the heels of celebrating America’s birthday, it’s time to celebrate the small towns at the very heart of our country,” said Jon Freier, Executive Vice President of Consumer Group at T-Mobile. “As the 5G leader, we’re committed to helping bridge the digital divide, and getting rural America as well-connected as Big City USA. This three-million-dollar Hometown Techover is just one example of how we’ll get to work ... and it’s just the beginning.”

A panel of judges from T-Mobile and Smart Growth America will determine a winner based on project feasibility, the town’s need for a network upgrade, and town leadership interest and engagement. Later this summer, one of the 10 finalist towns will be crowned the T-Mobile Hometown Techover winner, but in typical T-Mobile style, the remaining nine finalists will not go home empty-handed. The finalists will each get a \$50,000 grant to help jump-start or complete a project in their community, too!

The grand prize-winning town will score a mass of tech goods and services for the community-as-a-whole as well as individual households, worth more than \$3 MILLION. Among the goodness:

- **Community Grant:** A \$200,000 T-Mobile Hometown Grant and consulting services from Smart Growth America
- **Play Ball:** Little League® field refurbishment including a tech upgrade and T-Mobile Little League Call Up Grant support
- **Public Space Tech Upgrade:** An Un-carrier style upgrade to a public space like a library, community center or town square
- **Access to T-Mobile Resources:** Concierge enrollment in T-Mobile's Project 10 Million and Connecting Heroes programs
- **And last, but certainly not least, the bash of all bashes!:** A FREE concert this fall for the winning town with 18-time chart-topping, multi-platinum duo Florida Georgia Line

America's 5G Leader The winning Techover town is going to be the 5G model for everyone else. But even if you are not in the Techover winning town the Un-carrier's 5G now covers 300 million people with Extended Range 5G! T-Mobile's Ultra Capacity 5G is expanding at an incredible pace and now covers 150 million people across the country, with plans to cover 200 million people nationwide this year. Ultra-Capacity 5G can deliver blazing fast 5G speeds in more places than anyone else, with average download speeds of 325 Mbps with peaks of 1 Gbps, while Extended Range 5G is great for blanketing the country including rural and remote areas. T-Mobile's 5G network spans 1.6 million square miles – that's nearly 2x more coverage than AT&T and 4x more than Verizon – and the Un-carrier keeps widening its lead.

#5GforAll T-Mobile Hometown Techover is just one of the many initiatives underscoring T-Mobile's commitment to rural America. The Un-carrier's pledge includes free 5G phones with any working trade-in, amazing deals on plans, a new broadband option for 10 million rural households – T-Mobile Home Internet – and a commitment to build hundreds of new stores and create 7,500 new jobs supporting the wireless needs of communities across rural America. T-Mobile is also committing \$25 million to small town grants during the next five years to help fund community development projects in rural areas across the country to help jumpstart stalled projects and get new ones off the ground. More than just bringing wireless, T-Mobile wants to be part of the community and help small towns thrive.

For more information about T-Mobile's commitment to small towns, visit **[T-Mobile.com/AcrossAmerica](https://www.t-mobile.com/acrossamerica)**.

For full details of the T-Mobile Hometown Techover, **[head here](#)**.

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www.umlaut.com/en/benchmarking/USA. Fastest: According to Opensignal Awards – **USA: 5G User Experience Report April 2021**, based on independent analysis of average speeds from mobile measurements recorded during the period December 15, 2020 – March 14, 2021 © 2021 Opensignal Limited.

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About Florida Georgia LineGRAMMY-nominated duo Florida Georgia Line have been making history since 2012. The global superstars are the first and only Country act to achieve two RIAA DIAMOND-certified singles with 11X PLATINUM, #1 breakout “Cruise” (the best-selling digital Country single of all time – SoundScan) and 10X PLATINUM, #1 “Meant to Be” with Bebe Rexha (holding the longest reign on the Billboard Hot Country Songs chart at 50 straight weeks). With their fifth studio album, LIFE ROLLS ON (BMLG Records), featuring #1 hit “Long Live,” FGL keeps proving themselves as in-demand collaborators and “one of the format’s premier musical shapeshifters” (Esquire), including recent releases “Lil Bit” (Nelly), “It’s About Time” (Russell Dickerson), plus “Drinkin’ Beer. Talkin’ God. Amen.” (Chase Rice). FGL’s tallied 18 career #1 singles, 13.2+ billion global streams, sold more than 40 million tracks and 4.7 million albums worldwide, logged 1.7 billion video views, and played to over 4 million fans spanning massive arena and stadium headline tours. Honored by ACM, AMA, Billboard, CMA, and CMT Music Awards, their creative empire also includes FGL House Party Radio with Florida Georgia Line on Apple Music Country, and thriving business initiatives: FGL House, meet + greet, Round Here Records, Tree Vibez Music, Tribe Kelley, Old Camp Whiskey, and Wolf Moon Bourbon (with Jason Aldean).

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