Atlanta Urban Area Partnership for Google Fiber

Avondale Estates ● Chamblee ● Decatur ● Doraville ● Dunwoody

Summary:

Google is planning to launch an experiment that will potentially revolutionize Internet access for homes and businesses. Google plans to test ultra-high speed broadband networks in one or more trial locations across the country. The networks will deliver Internet speeds more than 100 times faster than what most Americans have access to today – over 1 gigabit per second, fiber-to-the-home connections. They'll offer service at a competitive price to at least 50,000 and potentially up to 500,000 people.

The Partnership:

To meet the 50,000 population threshold and to bolster each community's chances, the cities of Avondale Estates, Chamblee, Decatur, Doraville and Dunwoody are teaming up to revolutionize each jurisdiction's technology infrastructure. If the Partnership is successful, the ultra-high speed fiber would be a huge economic incentive and a boon to the area's flourishing healthcare industry. So far, the Atlanta Urban Area Partnership has enlisted support from Emory University and Georgia Power.

Google's Request for Information:

In order apply each jurisdiction is required to respond to Google's RFI under the banner of Atlanta Urban Area Partnership for Google Fiber. Completed RFIs are due March 26, 2010. Between now and then, staff from each city will meet regularly to share research and ideas on how to enlist additional jurisdictions and support from businesses, residents and local officials. As a token of commitment, each jurisdiction will be adopting resolutions and/ or proclamations to signal our collective enthusiasm for Google Fiber.

There's still time to join the Partnership. If your City is interested, have a staff member contact Dunwoody's Kimberly Greer (678-382-6709 or Kimberly.greer@dunwoodyga.gov), Decatur's Catherine Lee (404-371-8386 or Catherine.lee@decaturga.com) or Doraville's Luke Howe (770-451-8745 or luke.howe@doravillega.us) to get info and on the next Partnership meeting.