

Kansas Department of Commerce  
Capital Project Fund Review Committee  
c/o Office of Broadband Development  
1000 SW Jackson, Suite 100  
Topeka, KS 66612

August 9, 2022

Dear Kansas Office of Broadband Development,

Unified School District #364 - Marysville fully supports Blue Valley Technologies' application for funding to deploy fiber-to-the-home to underserved and unserved residents across sections of rural Marshall and Washington Counties.

As shown by the recent pandemic, a robust internet connection is paramount in today's world. Whether the people who choose to live rural need access to the internet for school, work, health, safety, or entertainment, they deserve to have the same access as their urban counterparts. Reliable high-speed internet is no longer a luxury – it is a necessity.

In today's world, education is technology heavy, and our students deserve access to a learning environment supported by reliable high-speed internet not only at the educational institution's facilities but at the home level as well.

This letter represents our support to have high-speed internet deployed to the rural areas highlighted in Blue Valley Technologies' application. Without this funding, our rural communities will continue to struggle with connectivity issues – setting not only our community's opportunities for growth back insurmountably but will also stymie the educational paths of our next generation of leaders. Please consider this application as it will help so many rural Kansans in our area have access to technology that will make their jobs and lives better.

Sincerely,

Darren Schroeder - Superintendent  
Pamela Dankenbring – President  
Melissa Borgerding – Vice-President  
Brenda Arntt  
Lanny Carpenter  
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Michelle Reinhart  
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USD #364 Board of Education

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August 8, 2022

Dear Kansas Office of Broadband Development,

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Travis Mason, President  
Lindsey Hornung, Vice-President  
Greg Meyer  
Randy Jacobson  
Craig Harris  
Ben Sunnenberg  
Grant McKay  
Patti Dollarhide  
Jane Studer

Marshall County Farm Bureau Board of Directors