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Which of the following best describes you?
(Check all that apply) **Resident in proposed service area**

I am providing comments related to the following application (comments must be filed individually for each project): **Charter Communications - Leavenworth County 5**

I am submitting comments to express:

Support for a project

Please provide your comments in the text box below:

This area of Leavenworth county is terribly underserved regarding reliable internet access. I live within 2-3 miles of the city limits of Leavenworth and have found it difficult to find reliable and affordable internet service providers. I am not within clear sight distance of any internet service provider towers and must rely on satellite internet which often is unreliable during bad weather or during certain high use times of day. This has made it nearly impossible to consistently use the internet for longer periods when forced to work at home during COVID. Many current options for providers put data limits on service and charge more for going over limits which is another obstacle. This is a problem for many families in the area that are on limited incomes, that want to homeschool their children or work from home. I have often had to rely on my cell phone or person hotspot. Many in our county can enjoy luxuries such as gaming or streaming movies while I struggle to get service that is slightly better than dialup speeds. A grant would be beneficial for the school district and offer rural students the same opportunities that are available to students within the city limits. It would also help small businesses that need reliable internet service.

Upload supporting documentation - multiple files should be submitted as a .ZIP file.

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