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Antietam Broadband Commits Technology to Habitat for Humanity

Free broadband services provided to three Habitat homes
in first six months of program

May 21, 2018 - Hagerstown, MD. - In December of 2017, Antietam Broadband announced its five-year initiative to provide high speed broadband Internet service free for one year to Washington County residents who earn and purchase a new home from Habitat for Humanity. The service has been installed in each of the three Habitat homes constructed in the first six months of the program.

"Antietam Broadband is thrilled to support Habitat for Humanity and its clients," said Brian Lynch President, Antietam Broadband. "It is our goal to help families breach the digital divide and enrich each family's successful transition to home ownership."

"The partnership between Antietam Broadband and Habitat for Humanity ensures that the families we serve have access to the technology that will provide opportunities for their future," said Joyce A. Heptner, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity of Washington County. "The first three families in the program are very appreciative and have been using, enjoying and benefitting from the Antietam services."

Over the course of the five-year commitment, Antietam will continue to install and activate broadband in all homes completed by Habitat. Antietam will provide professional installation, modem and Wi-Fi services free in addition to the Broadband service.

About Antietam Broadband:

Antietam Broadband was founded in 1966 and was purchased by Schurz Communications, Inc. in 1968. It is a full-service telecommunications company offering a complete range of residential and business-class technology solutions including digital television, high-speed Internet and digital phone services in Washington County, MD. Antietam introduced Flight Gigabit Internet service in 2016 and made Hagerstown the 75th gigabit city in the USA. The company is focused on enhancing the lives of its customers by providing the latest telecommunication services and maintaining the highest standards of excellence in customer care and world class technical service. About Habitat for Humanity Washington County, MD: www.habitat-wc.org Habitat has built, renovated, and sold 54 homes in Washington County since its founding in 1994. Of those 54 home owners, 11 home mortgages have been paid off and Habitat has never had a foreclosure. Thousands of volunteers have come together over the past 24 years to build these houses and provide homes for Washington County 65 adults and 112 children.

About Habitat for Humanity of Washington County:

Habitat for Humanity of Washington County, MD strives to create a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Habitat partners work with community volunteers to construct affordable homes, which are sold to qualified families through a no-interest loan. Habitat houses are sold for their appraised price, with the actual dollar amount varying.

- Homeowners make a down payment and receive a mortgage that can range in length from 20 to 30 years.
- Payments include mortgage principal, real estate taxes and insurance.
- Homeowner's payments are reinvested to build or rehabilitate houses for future Habitat families.

Everyone can help families achieve stability and self-reliance to build better lives for themselves by supporting Habitat for Humanity. You can help through financial support, volunteering or adding a voice to support affordable housing.