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It's Time To
SPEED UP
Upstate Broadband
Expansion



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END THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

Since before the pandemic, areas like the Mohawk Valley and Adirondack Region have been overlooked by broadband providers, leaving many unconnected.

NOW, AFTER YEARS OF PUSHBACK, WE'RE SEEING SOME PROGRESS

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act invests another \$65 billion in broadband funding, \$42 billion of which will be in the form of grants.*

* govtech.com/network/breaking-down-broadband-funding-in-the-infrastructure-bill

** stateechmagazine.com/article/2022/02/push-expand-rural-broadband-unfolds-across-state-government-perfcon

*** fcc.gov/reports-research/reports/broadband-progress-reports/fourteenth-broadband-deployment-report

Grants for states and local governments are being offered for**:

- **Broadband deployment in unserved and underserved communities**
- **Broadband data, maps, and plans**
- **Internet, Wi-Fi infrastructure, or low-cost broadband for multifamily residential buildings**

GOING FORWARD

I have authored a bill which would return decision-making and delegate power to localities that understand rural regions best. (A.8447)

HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS

98.8%

URBAN

82.7%

RURAL

(As of January 2021. 25 megabits per second download/3mbps upload.***)

Assemblyman Smullen represents the 118th District, which consists of parts of Oneida, Herkimer, St. Lawrence, Hamilton, and Fulton counties. For more information on this or any other state issues, contact Assemblyman Robert Smullen at:

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