

owners ALLIANCE FIBER NETWORK
FNA

**ALIGNED TO STRENGTHEN
OUR SERVICE TO OUR
COMMUNITIES**

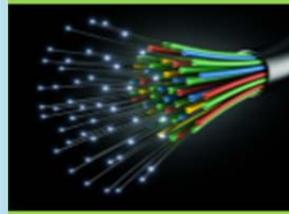


**Our Members and Broadband
Coverage is Increasing Quarterly**

KEY FACTS



connecting
24
CHARTER
MEMBERS



OVER
70,000
COMBINED
NETWORK
MILES
across

28
STATES

**STRONGER
TOGETHER**

WHO WE ARE:

Paul Belk (President of North Georgia Networks and President of the Fiber Network Alliance), and Kyle Williamson (CEO of SyncGlobal Telecom and Vice President of the Fiber Network Alliance) thank you for this opportunity to introduce the Fiber Network Alliance (FNA).



The Fiber Network Alliance (FNA) is a strategic alliance of public and private organizations focused on aligning their fiber network resources for the purpose of providing broadband to the local areas we collectively serve. FNA members have aligned to support the broadband needs of our communities. We believe the size and character of our organizations provides the essential value to the people in the areas we serve by providing broadband, local jobs, and economic benefit that would otherwise not exist. We provide the type of creative entrepreneurial spirit that formed our country and that is necessary for reaching the goal of affordable broadband accessible to everyone in America.

THE REASON WE ARE HERE:

We have formed a legal not for profit corporation **“an alliance”** of self-supporting entities aligning our networks to provide broadband in our communities and across our collective fiber footprint. We want the FCC to know about our alliance and our direction, which we believe is in alignment with the FCC’s broadband direction.

The FNA is already accomplishing much of the intent of USAC funding mechanisms. We are currently forming an **“Exchange”** that will enable end users such as health care providers, schools, government locations, and public and private end users to connect across the FNA member network.

We need the FCCs support in the following areas:

1. For the FNA to be used as an example and a pilot for what could be accomplished by similar organizations to meet our countries broadband needs minimizing and even eliminating taxpayer revenue needed to **“build the network”**.
2. We need help creating a USAC funding mechanism specifically tailored for the FNA’s Exchange end users. This funding mechanism will help the FNA speed the process of continuing to expand broadband across our footprint by facilitating a boiler plate process end users can utilize for USAC support associated with their FNA provided broadband services.

Thank you for your time and we request your guidance concerning our request.

Sincerely,

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OUR MEMBERS:

- Allied Fiber
- AVFN / Parker FiberNet
- Balsam West Fiber Networks
- C3BU
- City of Covington
- City of Sandersville
- City of Thomasville
- Diverse Power
- ECG
- ETC
- FOCU
- Georgia Public Web
- GTC
- Hargray
- Iris Networks
- Jackson EMC
- M2 Connections
- Martin County
- Monroe
- North Georgia Networks
- Plantation Cable
- Plateau
- Southern Telephone Inc.
- Sunesys
- SyncGlobal Telecom
- Tower Cloud
- Troy Cable
- TruVista
- UPNA
- Wide Open West