



STARRY AND DENVER HOUSING AUTHORITY STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIP TO PROMOTE CONNECTIVITY FOR PUBLIC AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESIDENTS

Starry has donated 25 computers to the Denver Housing Authority to help connect residents to educational, economic and personal resources;

Starry is expanding affordable, high-quality broadband to more than 4,750 households in DHA's portfolio.

Denver, Co. (April 7, 2021) -- [Starry, Inc.](#), a wideband hybrid fiber wireless internet service provider, today announced the donation of 25 computers to the Denver Housing Authority (DHA). The majority of the computers have been donated to 16 DHA youth who completed an online website development class hosted by DHA and Denver Public Library. The computer donation is part of an effort to enhance DHA residents' digital literacy and skills, ultimately promoting workforce development and career opportunities. A portion of the computers will be provided to DHA resident council leaders across six DHA communities. The devices will allow resident council leaders to participate in and lead virtual meetings in their communities. These meetings empower residents by giving them a platform to voice their thoughts on important topics and providing access to various resources.

In addition to the computer donation, Starry will be expanding the availability of Starry Connect, the company's high-quality, low-cost internet access program for affordable and public housing, to more than 4,750 households across DHA's portfolio of communities. Residents in Connole Apartments, Hirschfeld Towers, Thomas Bean Towers, VIDA, Barney Ford and Mountain View will have the option to subscribe to Starry's simple, no-long-term contract, no-data caps plan of 30mbps download/upload speed, with installation, 24/7 customer care and all equipment included for \$15 per month. The additional DHA communities will begin offering Starry Connect in 2021 and 2022.

"Connectivity is critical for education, communication, and personal and professional development," said **Virginia Lam Abrams, Starry's Senior Vice President of Government Affairs and Strategic Advancement.** "But having access to broadband is only one component in promoting digital equity and inclusion; it is equally important that devices are readily available so that families and individuals can fully realize the benefits of digital connectivity. We are grateful to partner with the Denver Housing Authority to help ensure that their residents have the necessary tools to continue to thrive and grow."

"DHA has provided affordable high-speed internet access to families in public housing since 2015," stated **David Nisivoccia, DHA's Executive Director.** "Over the past year, Starry has proven to be a critical partner for increasing digital equity for DHA's residents. In addition to providing them with affordable connectivity, their donated computers to our senior residents and families represents a true example of public-private partnership for digital inclusion."

Starry launched its partnership with DHA in 2019 to bring the Starry Connect program to more than 600 households in their communities as a high-quality, affordable broadband option for residents. Starry Connect is an official ConnectHomeUSA stakeholder with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is helping to bridge the digital divide for HUD-assisted housing residents in the United States. The program is unique in that it does not require credit checks or individual subscriber qualification to participate. Starry ties eligibility directly to the public or affordable housing community to relieve the paperwork and qualification burden from the resident. To learn more about Starry Connect, visit <https://starry.com/starryconnect>.

DHA residents are also able to participate in a pilot program Starry has launched with PCs for People that provides steeply discounted computers and tablets to eligible public and affordable households signing up for Starry Connect. The pilot program is another way to enhance digital access and connectivity for public and affordable housing communities.

Starry Internet is available in Denver, New York City, Boston, Los Angeles and Washington, DC, with an expansion roadmap that will cover more than 40 million U.S. households. For \$50 a month, consumers can get a simple, no-long-term contract, no-data caps plan with 200mbps download/upload speed, with installation, 24/7 customer care and all equipment included. All public and affordable housing residents in the Denver metro area that have access to the Starry Connect program can choose to upgrade to this plan. To see if your building is in coverage or to sign up, visit: <https://starry.com/internet>.

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ABOUT STARRY, INC.

At Starry, Inc., we believe the future is built on connectivity and that connecting people and communities to high-speed, broadband internet should be simple and affordable. Using our innovative, wideband hybrid-fiber fixed wireless technology, Starry is deploying gigabit-capable broadband to the home without bundles, data caps, or long-term contracts. Starry is a different kind of internet service provider. We're building a platform for the future by putting our customers first, protecting their privacy, ensuring access to an open and neutral net, and putting the customer experience at the heart of everything we do. Headquartered in Boston and backed by world-class investors, Starry is currently available in Boston, New York, Los Angeles, Washington, DC and Denver and is expanding nationwide. To learn more about Starry or to join our team and help us build a better internet, visit: <https://starry.com/>.

ABOUT THE DENVER HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Denver Housing Authority serves over 26,000 extremely low, low and middle-income Denver residents, managing over 12,000 units located throughout the city. The agency drives its mission by leveraging resources and partnerships while focusing on high quality and high standards, visit www.denverhousing.org.

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