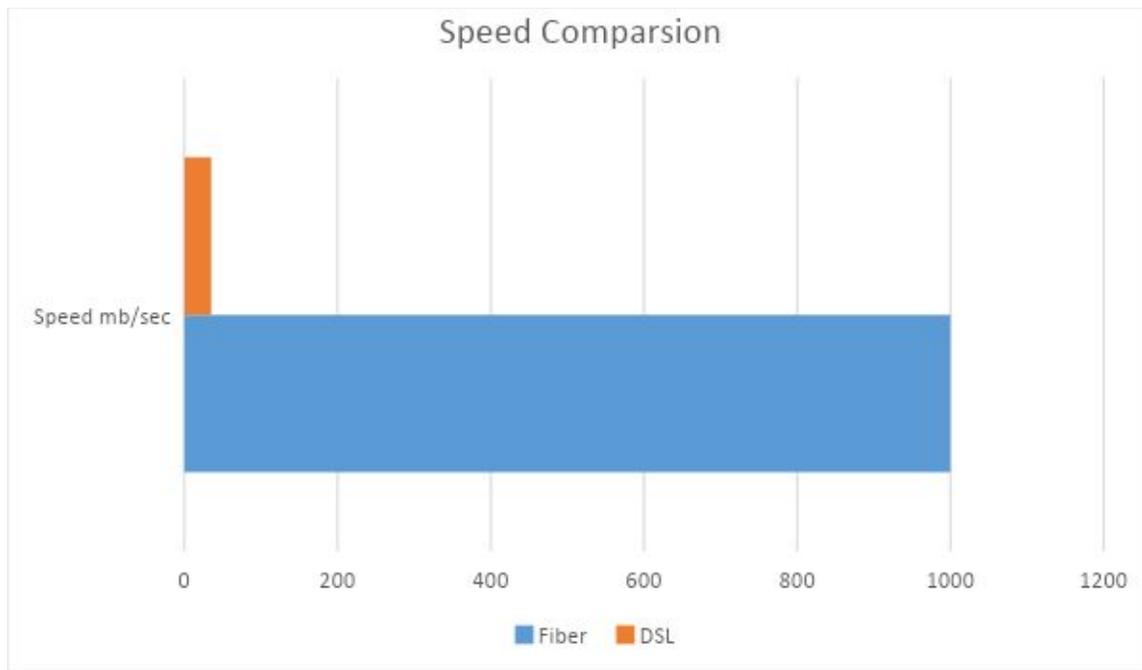


Fiber !

High Point Estates finally has the chance to upgrade our internet to fiber service. Back when our DSL service was installed, there were no Zoom meetings from home, smart homes with cameras, or Netflix streaming. All of these require a modern internet service. Our DSL service advertises speeds of up to 50mb/sec, but routinely sees speeds of only 30-35 mb/sec download, 1-2 mb/sec upload. A modern fiber service from Grayson Collin Communications can handle all of these items with a speed of up to 1 gigabit. (1000mb/sec)



There were three potential fiber providers in the city: AT&T, GCEC (Grayson Collin Communications), and Suddenlink.

AT&T and Suddenlink were not interested in serving our neighborhood, due to the spread out nature of our lots and the distance from their nearest lines, which causes a low return on investment for them.

GCEC said fiber will cost approximately \$230k to install. A new developer in the area is going to pick up about \$120k of this, leaving us to pay \$112k.

GCEC will bury, and install fiber to 44 lots throughout the neighborhood.

The City of Celina has offered to loan the money for the install, with the HOA responsible for the payback to the city.

When we first looked at the numbers, the yearly payments on the special assessments for each resident calculated to \$285/yr. If we allocated the \$50 that had been refunded in recent years, each lot owner would pay \$235 per year (about \$19.59 a month), for 10 years, in addition to the normal \$150 yearly dues. The first payment of \$385 (\$150 dues + \$235 special assessment) would be due in January of 2022. After 10 years, the special assessment will end, and dues would return to \$150. **If you are a satellite dish TV customer, this service may pay for itself. See the headline in red below.**

This amount may be lower some years. The HOA has benefitted from low expenses in recent years. If this continues, the Board will make the determination, on a yearly basis, to divert excess funds toward this payment.

If we give the go-ahead, GCEC will start the permit process with the expectation to start very quickly.

GCC Fiber service plans: (from their website <https://graysoncollin.com/> *Subject to change*)

Current DSL service	50 mb/sec down 2mb/sec up	\$50.00
Fiber 70 mb/sec down 10mb/sec up		\$49.95
Fiber 500 mb/sec down 500 mb/sec up		\$64.95
Fiber 1GB down 1GGB up		\$89.95

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Are you a DirecTV or Dish customer? This can pay for itself.

After promos end, the current rate for DirecTV's cheapest plan is \$97.00/mo, plus \$7 for each TV box required. That would put a monthly bill at \$118.00 for service on 3 TV's. This does not include premium channels.

Switching to a streaming TV service such as YoutubeTV or Hulu can bring the monthly bill down to \$65.00 a month. And the streaming services do not have the 2 yr contracts that the satellite services require.

Going from \$118/mo to \$65/mo saves you \$53/mo, a savings of over \$600/yr. All with a much higher quality internet service. **The savings alone would pay the \$19.59 monthly assessment.**

Of course, these savings are approximate, and can vary, depending on your situation, and current offers.

And from the Wall Street Journal:

*“Jun 30, 2015 — A nationwide study released on Monday by researchers at the University of Colorado and Carnegie Mellon University finds fiber-optic connections, the fastest type of high speed **Internet** available, **can** add \$5,437 to the **price of a \$175,000 home**—about as much as a fireplace, or half the **value** of a bathroom.”*

Some information on YouTubeTV, from their website.



85+ channels

\$64.99 (advertised price)

- ✓ No annual contract
- ✓ Includes NFL, NBA, and MLB networks
- ✓ Includes PBS, BET, Comedy Central, MTV, and Nickelodeon
- ✓ Includes **unlimited** cloud DVR storage space and rewind, fast forward, and pause capability
- ✓ 3 streams and 6 accounts per household

\$64.99
Monthly cost

✓ +\$0 Installation fee

Locals



WFAA 8



CBS 11



FOX 4



NBC 5



KERA



My27



Telemundo 39



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TXA 21

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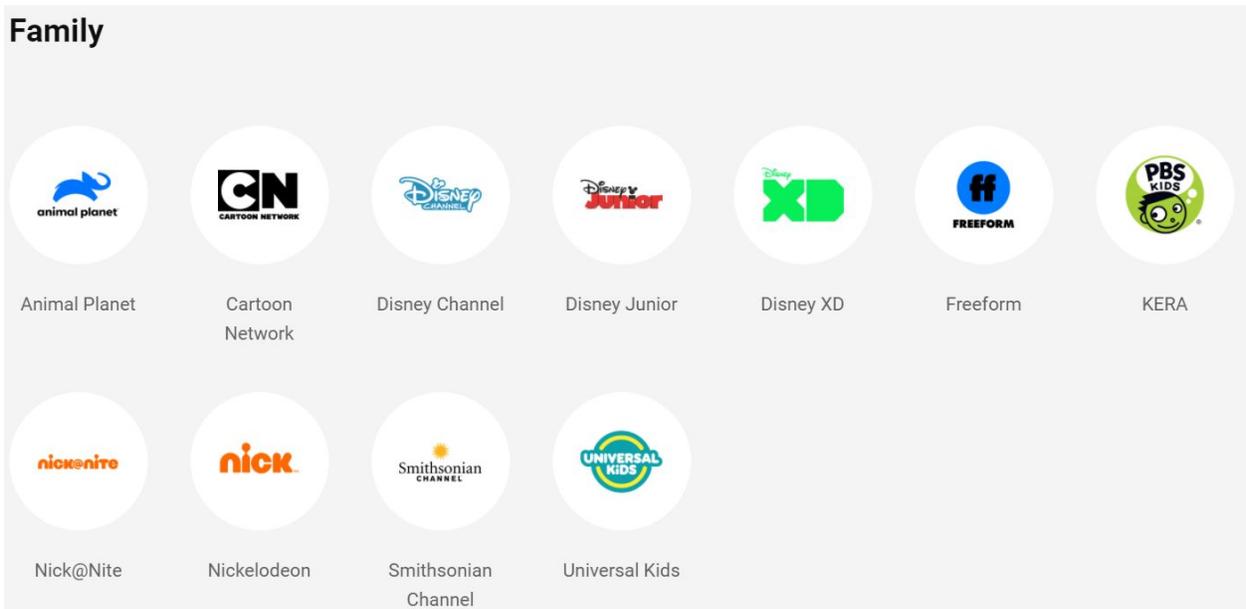
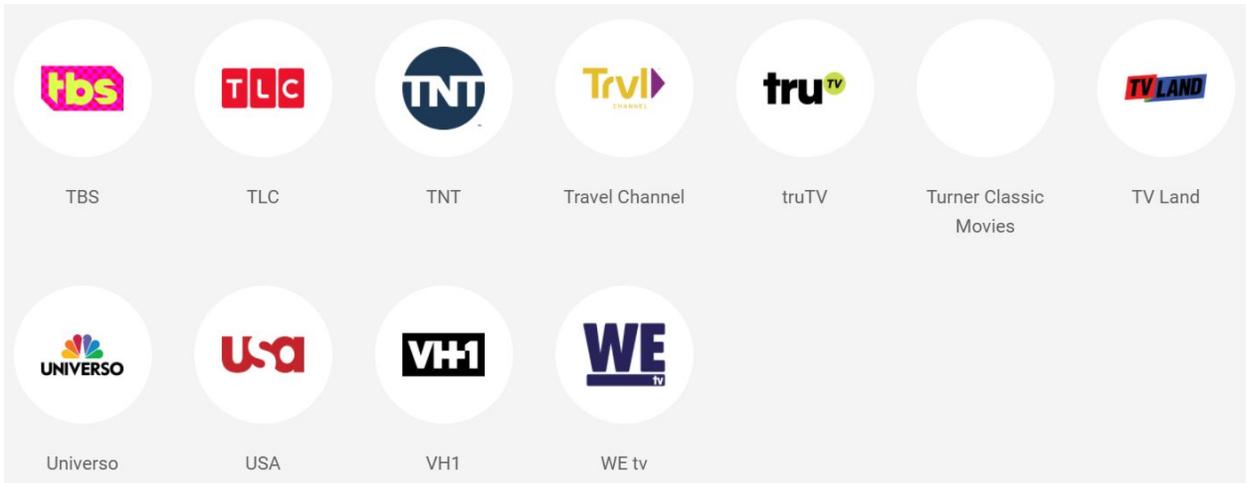
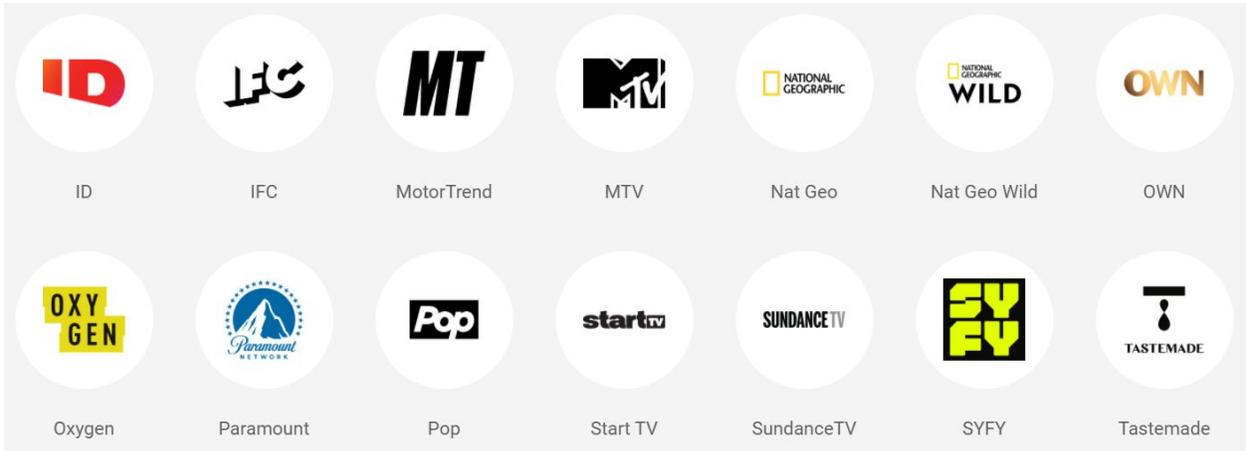
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