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GVTC honored again as a fiber leader

SMITHSON VALLEY, August 15, 2013 — GVTC continues to receive accolades for maximizing its world-class fiber network. [Broadband Communities Magazine](#) once again named GVTC a [Top 100 Fiber to the Home \(FTTH\) Company](#). In selecting its list, magazine editors look for companies that stand out in advancing the cause of fiber-based broadband.

Part of the Top 100 list criteria includes seeking out companies that deploy networks that are large or ambitious, have innovative business plans or are intended to transform local economies or improve communities' quality of life. Broadband Communities cited GVTC's \$35 million fiber network expansion project, which will make FTTH available to more than 20,000 rooftops.

The magazine also noted GVTC's FTTH expansion into Blanco and Gonzales, which are cities out of its traditional service area.

In addition, Broadband Communities highlighted the company for leveraging its fiber network to deliver Ethernet backhaul services for wireless companies, and establishing a Wi-Fi hotspot in Gonzales.

A FTTH connection is available to approximately two-thirds of GVTC's customers within its 2,000 square mile service area. At 80/20 Mbps, the company also has the fastest Internet speeds in its territory.

"It's again gratifying to be recognized for our commitment to fiber deployment, as a means to deliver quality services to our customers, and as a platform to diversify revenue for our company," GVTC CEO Ritchie Sorrells, said. "GVTC is in an excellent position to deliver

future technology that requires the throughput and fast speeds that only a 100% fiber network can deliver.”

GVTC is the only telephone cooperative on the list and shares the Top 100 designation with Fortune 100 companies such as AT&T, Verizon and Google.

Broadband Properties Magazine specializes in reporting information on digital and broadband technologies for buildings and communities. The magazine offers in-depth news, expert insights, and practical know-how on the technical, business, financial, and legal aspects of outfitting properties and communities with broadband solutions.

About GVTC:

GVTC is a full-service communications provider offering high-speed Internet, digital cable TV, phone and home security monitoring across 2,000 square miles of South Central Texas. GVTC was the first company in the region to deploy fiber-to-the-home technology and through its next-generation fiber network has the fastest Internet speeds in its service area. The company was named Business of the Year by the Boerne and Canyon Lake Chambers of Commerce, selected the past five years as a *Broadband Communities* magazine Top 100 broadband provider, recognized by the *San Antonio Express-News* and *San Antonio Business Journal* as an exemplary employer, given the Fiber-to-the-Home Council’s Chairman’s Award, received a NTCA TeleChoice Award and twice named winner of the Broadband Multimedia Marketing Association’s Marketing Excellence Award. www.gvtc.com