

Panora Communications Cooperative
Broadband grant Program – Empower Rural Iowa
NOFA #007

Demonstrated Experience

Panora Communications Cooperative (PCC) was established in 1919 to provide communication services to Iowans in Panora. Today, PCC and its subsidiaries serve the communities of Bagley, Bayard, Guthrie Center, Jamaica, Lake Panorama, Linden, Panora, and Yale.

PCC and their subsidiary, Guthrie Telecommunications Network (GTN), leverage their combined size and experience to provide efficiencies and scale, sharing resources including employees and equipment to meet the needs of unserved and underserved Iowans in west central Iowa.

PCC and GTN have an extensive history of fiber network builds, broadband project success and implementation. The bios of key PCC/GTN team members are included as further evidence of their ability to successfully implement the proposed project.

PCC and GTN are a financially viable organization with the capacity to meet all financial requirements outlined in this project.

PCC's team is composed of a seven-member Board of Directors with an average tenure of 13 years on the Board, providing both stability and direction for PCC. PCC and GTN employ 13 individuals led by an excellent leadership team.

Andrew M. Randol

GM/CEO, 1999 – Present; CFO, 1995 to 1999. Randol spent many years prior to joining PCC as a licensed CPA working for a firm that specialized in the audits of rural telecommunications companies throughout the nation.

Bill Dorsett

Plant Manager, 1979 – Present. With 41 years of service with PCC, Bill brings the skill set of knowledge and practical working experience of PCC's entire infrastructure and deployed technology.

Jaime Waddle

Administrative & Customer Service Director, 2002 – Present. Jaime's leadership and organization skills direct her team of customer service specialists in practical and efficient manners with a focus on customer experience.

Curtis Thornberry

Technology Development Director, 2004 – Present. Curt's past experience as an educator and a small business technology owner brings immense expertise from both technical and administrative aspects of business development and internet technology.

PCC/GTN has 259 years of combined work expertise with its existing staff. These years allow PCC/GTN to be the communication leader in Guthrie County and makes it quite capable of fulfilling the infrastructure requirements contained in NOFA #007.