

## Democratic Radio: Broadband Access

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MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers today delivered the Democratic Radio Address on the [Governor's Task Force on Broadband Access](#), which was announced earlier this week.

[Audio file of radio address](#) .



*Hi, folks. Governor Tony Evers here.*

*Seemingly overnight, COVID-19 has changed how Wisconsinites live, learn, and work.*

*Whether it's working, going to school, or visiting with the doctor, folks have adapted to doing it all from home, which has only underscored that access to reliable high-speed broadband is not a luxury, but a necessity for Wisconsin's families, students, and businesses.*

*That's why this week we announced our Task Force on Broadband Access. This group will work to ensure that Wisconsin's underserved communities can get the access they need to high-speed internet.*

*According to the Federal Communications Commission, about 7 percent of Wisconsinites lack access to high-speed internet and we know that burden falls largely on our rural communities. That's why I am proud that in our last budget we were able to make the largest state investment in broadband to reach more underserved areas of our state.*

*Our Task Force will look beyond funding to find innovative, creative solutions to the broadband*

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*disparities in our state, because now more than ever, a strong state economy depends on access to high-speed internet for our schools, businesses, hospitals, and homes.*

*Thank you.*