

For Immediate Release
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First community announced in ‘Connecting the Kenora District’ project

As announced in June 2021, the Kenora District Services Board (KDSB) has received funding from the Federal Government of Canada to provide high-speed internet within the Kenora District to those with limited or inadequate access to reliable, high-quality internet.

The project will roll out through a by-community approach. The first community eligible to apply is Pickle Lake, ON. Applications will be accepted beginning Wednesday, August 4, 2021, through August 18, 2021, at noon local time.

Those interested can access applications, FAQs, and eligibility criteria by visiting KDSB’s website: www.kdsb.on.ca. Paper copies will be available at the Municipality of Pickle Lake’s office.

KDSB will be partnering with FSET Information Technology out of Kenora, ON, to execute this meaningful project for the region. Starlink internet kits will be provided to applicants who have been approved for the project.

To be eligible, Pickle Lake community members who have a permanent residence (rent or own) must have applied for a Starlink internet kit on or after May 20, 2021, have no internet access, or have poor, low-quality internet access to be eligible for consideration.

The number of Starlink internet kits available is limited; those who apply and are deemed eligible will not necessarily receive a Starlink internet kit. Through the Connecting the Kenora District project, those who qualify to receive a Starlink internet kit will receive the equipment at a significantly reduced cost or free of cost based on demonstrated financial need.

Those who have questions regarding eligibility or technology are asked to call KDSB and FSET’s toll-free number: 1-844-266-9466. Leave your name, question, and contact information for an appropriate team member to follow up with an answer.

Visit www.kdsb.on.ca to sign up for more information and to learn when project applications will be available in your community.

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