

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# Comcast Business Boosts Performance at Multiple YMCA of Snohomish County Facilities

High-Performance Fiber Network Supports Needs of More than 35,000 Members

**EVERETT, WASH.** – **May 16, 2016** – Comcast Business today announced that the YMCA of Snohomish County has replaced its T1 lines with high-performance Ethernet services from Comcast Business. With this upgrade, the five main full-service family branches are using an Ethernet Network Service with speeds ranging from 20 to 50 Mbps and have upgraded to a 50 Mbps Ethernet Dedicated Internet line. Multiple satellite locations throughout the area connect back to the Association Office.

Founded in 1901, the YMCA of Snohomish County is the area's largest not-for-profit. Through its five family branches (located in Everett, Marysville, Mill Creek, Monroe and Mukilteo) and multiple Early Childhood, School-Age Child Care, and Youth Development Centers, the YMCA of Snohomish County serves over 35,000 members a year. A new Stanwood-Camano YMCA will open this fall growing the service area to include north Snohomish County. The organization assists one in seven residents (in all age groups) north of Seattle by inspiring, nurturing, and strengthening culturally vibrant communities through youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility.

The YMCA of Snohomish County representatives knew that they needed to upgrade to a more reliable service with greater capacity if they wanted to continue to offer optimal service to their members. "We wanted to provide our staff and members high-performance, reliable service. We audited our existing network, then turned to Comcast Business for help," said Ted Wenta, vice president of the YMCA of Snohomish County. "The Comcast Business network can support the needs of our staff, our members and support our existing equipment."

The upgrade provides multiple benefits for the YMCA, including:

- a strong and reliable Ethernet service that enables a pleasant user experience
- network service for the teen centers, each which have multiple computers
- supports Internet service for over 200 cardiovascular machines
- Comcast Business WiFi at some locations
- 200 telephone lines via Comcast PRI Trunks

"All businesses want speed and reliability – and the YMCA of Snohomish County is no different. We are providing the technology, the service and support that allows the YMCA to not only help its members in the five family branches and multiple childhood and youth development centers, but also many others in their community," said Matt Fassnacht, Vice President of Comcast Business in Washington. "Everyday, the lives of thousands of members are impacted in so many ways. It is our privilege to help and we are honored to assist the YMCA of Snohomish County by providing them with the performance and reliability they desire."

Nationally, Comcast Business's Ethernet services are delivered over an advanced network that spans 140,000 miles. Bandwidth is available up to 10 Gbps and can be scaled in increments and offered in three different classes of service, backed by strict service level agreements and monitored 24x7x365 from Comcast's dedicated Network Operations Centers. Comcast was the first service provider in the world to offer Metro Ethernet Forum (MEF) CE 2.0 certified Ethernet services and was also the first service provider to achieve all three of the previous CE 1.0 certifications (MEF 9, 14 and 18).

# **About YMCA of Snohomish County**

The Y is one of the nation's leading nonprofits strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The YMCA of Snohomish County has been serving and strengthening our communities since 1901 and has the long-standing relationships and physical presence not just to promise, but to deliver, lasting personal and social change. The Y offers programs, services, and initiatives to nurture the potential of children and teens, improve the nation's health and well-being, and provide opportunities to give back and support our neighbors. For more information please visit us online at ymca-snoco.org.

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