



## Impact Report 2019

# **Our Community Focus**



### **PANGAEA gives back:**

- 501(c)(3) funding results in low cost structure
- Community potential unleashed by fiber optic infrastructure
- Unparalleled customer service (100% very satisfied or satisfied)
- Fiber optic splicing scholarships = \$7.0K since 2014

CUSTOMER INSTALLATION GRANTS = \$263.1K since 2009

# What We've Built

# 99.999% network uptime



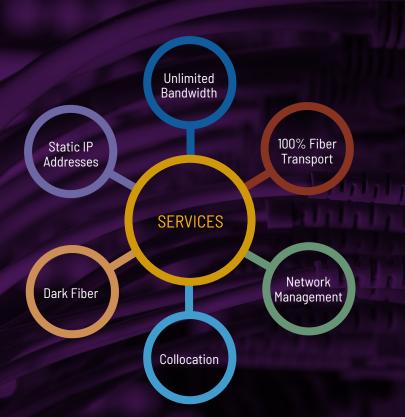




#### Internet of Things (IoT) noun

the interconnection via the Internet of computing devices embedded in everyday objects, enabling them to send and receive data.

# Services We Provide



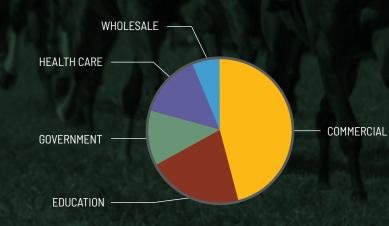
## WHY CHOOSE PANGAEA?

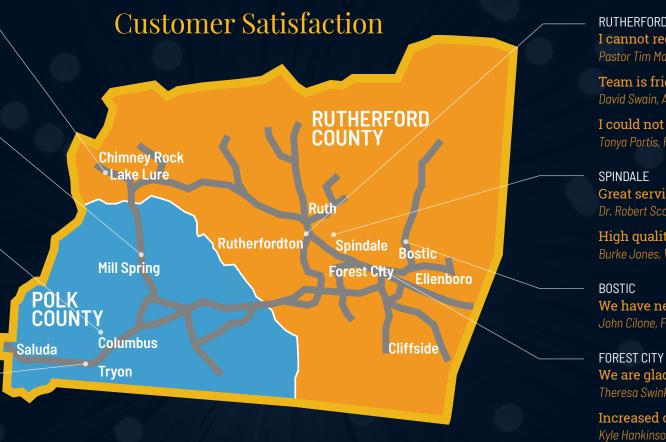
- PANGAEA has a 16 year history of helping Polk and **Rutherford Counties**
- Our Board of Directors are long time community leaders and some have served since PANGAEA's start in 2003
- As a local community owned and operated nonprofit company, we serve the community, not shareholders who demand a significant return on their investment
- 100% of our revenue is reinvested in our community organization and network
- As a 501(c)(3) company, PANGAEA has access to grant and partner funding that has covered most capital costs
- Operating efficiencies and our local staff results in lower prices and outstanding customer service

FASTER AND MORE RELIABLE INTERNET AND A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE AND WORK

## **Our Customers**

PANGAEA's customers include: every public school in Polk and Rutherford counties, Thomas Jefferson Classical Academy, six municipal and two county governments (including libraries and fire stations), Isothermal Community College, St. Luke's and Rutherford Regional hospitals, as well as many medical offices and pharmacies. In addition we serve nearly 200 commercial customers, including the Tryon International Equestrian Center.





#### See all 95 testimonials at: https://www.pangaea.us/customer-feedback/

## LAKE LURE

Monthly savings with much better results Patricia Gergen, Gray Logs Cottage

Very good value and speed

#### MILL SPRING

Fast, reliable, and reasonably priced

I LOVE the high speed

#### COLUMBUS

I would recommend PANGAEA to everyone

We couldn't continue to be one of the highest performing school systems in the state without the reliability of this network

#### TRYON

A local business that understands customer service Kevin Powell, Tryon Daily Bulletin

> Great product, excellent customer service PJ Gonzalez, AdiusterPro

TOTAL CUSTOMERS



### Markets Served:

**Education:** brings learning equality and unlimited potential to rural schools



Health Care: brings efficiency and worldwide medical knowledge next door



Government: centralized management and control saves money



Commercial: reliability, customer service, performance



Wholesale: unlimited bandwidth potential and cost savings

#### RUTHERFORDTON

I cannot recommend PANGAEA enough Pastor Tim Marsh, First Baptist Church of Rutherfordton

Team is friendly, knowledgeable and dedicated David Swain, Allrail, Inc. & Midway Baptist Church

I could not ask for better than PANGAEA Tonya Portis, Puppawrazzi's

Great service with fast speeds Dr. Robert Scott Rash, Breakthrough Chiropractic

High quality, high speed, low cost service Burke Jones, White Oak Carpet Mill

We have never experienced an outage John Cilone, FairHaven Nursing Home

We are glad we found PANGAEA Theresa Swink, Forest City Housing Authority

Increased our productivity Kyle Hankinson, KCH Engineered Systems

## Meet PANGAEA

#### **BOARD OFFICERS**



#### Jim Edwards, President

Board Member since 2003 Jim retired in 2015 as the Executive Director for the Isothermal Planning & Development Commission. He currently provides consulting services to area local governments.

#### **BOARD DIRECTORS**



Steve Garrison, Director Board Member since 2016 Steve is the County Manager for Rutherford County, NC



Joe Crowder, Secretary Board Member since 2005 Joe is a Medical Social Worker and Grants Manager for St. Luke's Hospital in Columbus, NC



Marche Pittman, Director Board Member since 2004 Marche is the County Manager for Polk County, NC



Harry Grymes, Treasurer Board Member since 2003 Harry is Vice President/Commercial Relationship Officer with Entegra Bank in Hendersonville, NC

platform of innovation enabling underserved areas.



To deliver affordable, reliable connectivity and services for our region that will enhance economic development, improve the quality of life, and create a broad

#### Russ Pitts, Director Board Member since 2010 Russ is a Technology and Program Management Consultant in Lake Lure. NC

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Carolyn Whitehead, Office Administrator Since 2013



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#### STAFF



Ron Walters, Executive Director Since 2007



Ken Griffin, Operations Director Since 2015



Dana Connor, Network Technician Since 2019