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The Lake Cities Named Finalist in IDC Government Insights' 5th Annual Smart Cities North America Awards

March 7th, 2022 – LAKE DALLAS (*Lake Cities*) today announced it has been named a finalist in IDC Government Insights' fifth annual Smart Cities North America Awards (SCNAA) in the Digital Equity and Accessibility category for the Community Fiber and Broadband project along with the other Lake Cities. The awards recognize the progress North American municipalities have made in executing Smart Cities projects, as well as provide a forum for sharing best practices to help accelerate Smart City development in the region. As a next step in the nomination process, please vote for the Lake Cities in the Digital Equity and Accessibility Category (Category 6) here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCNAA22> .

Voting will be open through 5:00pm ET on Sunday, March 13th. Winners will be honored at Smart Cities Connect being held April 4 – 7th in Columbus, OH.

The Community Fiber and Broadband project, approved in January of 2022, will create a secure fiber ring to connect all government buildings and serve as a foundation and commitment with partners to bring gigabit speed broadband to every home, business, and resident in the Lake Cities.

Finalists in the SCNAA illustrate best practice examples of how forward-thinking municipalities are effectively leveraging technology and innovation to offer new services and economic opportunities and to meet the needs and expectations of citizens and residents.

Please vote by Sunday March 13th - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCNAA22>

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