

## FOCUS Broadband Awards Scholarships to Local Seniors

Five local high school seniors have been awarded scholarships from FOCUS Broadband. The scholarships are available to seniors living in any of FOCUS Broadband's service territories. Our 2022 recipients are: Charlotte Bland, Peyton Blosser, Presley Cerrillo, Amanda Jacobs and Rachel Kemp.

The students are selected based on academics, involvement in school and community activities, and interview skills. Charlotte Bland is a graduating senior from South Brunswick High School and plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and major in Spanish. Peyton Blosser is graduating from South Columbus High School and plans to attend North Carolina State University in the fall where he will study biochemistry. Presley Cerrillo is a graduating senior from Brunswick County Early College High School and plans to attend UNC Chapel Hill where she will study dentistry. Amanda Jacobs, a graduating senior from West Brunswick High School, plans to attend Appalachian State University in the fall to study elementary education. Rachel Kemp, a graduating senior of North Brunswick High School, plans to attend UNC Charlotte where she will major in graphic design.

"We are thrilled to help these talented students further their education," said Keith Holden, FOCUS Broadband CEO. "We wish them much success in their next chapter." FOCUS Broadband has awarded \$123,000 to 76 students since the scholarship program's inception. To learn more, visit [focusbroadband.com/giving-back](https://focusbroadband.com/giving-back).

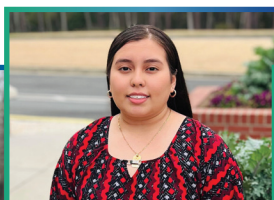


*Charlotte Bland*

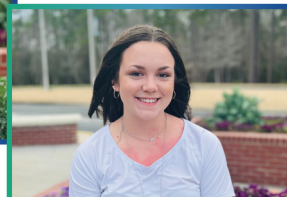
*Peyton Blosser*



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*Amanda Jacobs*



*Rachel Kemp*



## Voted Best in Customer Service

We are honored to be recognized as providing Brunswick County's best customer service! This accolade is part of the Brunswick Beacon's Best of Brunswick Reader's Choice Awards, a recognition program in which readers vote for their favorites in several categories.

"This is the 14th time FOCUS Broadband has been recognized for this award since 2008," said Keith Holden, FOCUS Broadband CEO. "We are more committed than ever to providing award-winning service, our customers have always been our top priority."

Thank you to all who voted FOCUS Broadband Best of Brunswick in Customer Service! We look forward to continuing to serve you!



*Brittany Smith,  
FOCUS Broadband Employee*

# High Speed Internet Available in Boiling Spring Lakes

Thousands in Boiling Spring Lakes now have access to FOCUS Broadband's high speed internet with speeds of up to 1 Gig. The \$9 million dollar project, which began in 2020, is on track to be completed this year and will give more than 3,500 homes and businesses access to FOCUS Broadband's fiber optic services. In addition to Boiling Spring Lakes, homes in the Green Bay Village community of Shallotte also have access to our fiber optic service with speeds of up to 1 Gig. These upgrades are part of the company's ongoing project to replace all copper and coaxial networks with a 100% fiber optic network.

Work has already begun to bring fiber optic broadband to the Seaside and Carolina Shores communities in the southern portion of the county. As service becomes available in these areas, customers will be contacted to convert to the new fiber network.



## Always Call Before You Dig

April is National Safe Digging month and if you are planning a home improvement project, make sure to call before you dig. Simple tasks like installing a mailbox, planting shrubbery, or building a deck can result in damage to gas, electric, communications or water and sewer lines, which can lead to service disruptions. Not knowing where these utility services are in your yard could also lead to serious injuries and costly repairs if digging is done without knowing their location.

By calling 811 before you dig, you'll be connected to a local one call notification center that will share your information with local utility companies like FOCUS Broadband. Locators then will visit the dig site to mark the approximate location of underground utility lines with spray paint, flags, or both. Once a site has been accurately marked, you'll be able to safely begin digging.

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## Check Out The Best Options on Streaming Services

The streaming marketplace on FOCUS Broadband's website is a great source for getting information on a multitude of streaming services. Get the help you need to find the streaming app that best suites what you want to watch on TV. Search by name, genre, and device or you can filter by free or paid apps. You can even search by movie or series title and find out which streaming service offers the program you're hoping to watch. Get detailed summaries for each streaming option and compare prices and features as well as reviews and ratings. Learn more about your streaming options by visiting [focusbroadband.com/cutthecord](https://focusbroadband.com/cutthecord).