



Sarasota's pulling together to get... **Google Fiber**

- Google's looking for a few cities to deploy their new Ultra-band Fiber Network and you can help.

First, imagine a network that connects our community of schools, businesses, residents, non-for-profits, and local governments that's 100 times faster than what's available today.

This is what Google is working on... 1Gigabit per second data transfer rates! ...**Colossal!**

TO NOMINATE SARASOTA - GoTo www.PastryArtBakeryCafe.com

... and Click on Google Island

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What is Google Fiber?

A: Google Fiber is basically an Internet connection to your home and business that runs 100 times faster than what is available today (up to 1 GIGABIT bandwidth)

Q: Will Google compete with Verizon and Comcast?

A: Probably not. Google is looking to work with existing providers and upgrade existing fiber networks that are already installed. The investment Google will make will primarily be in upgrading the hardware and data centers.

Q: How are they selecting the cities they will deploy Google Fiber Networks?

A: According to their website, they are looking for cities that will be able to demonstrate the power of ultra-band networks and have the support of the community and local government. Our city and county are working hard on the application to be submitted by March 26th, but it is our responsibility to show our community support and nominate Sarasota. Visit www.pastryartbakerycafe.com and click GOOGLE ISLAND and follow the link to nominate Sarasota. Fill out the short form on Google's website and you're done.

Q: Why should we care about getting Google Fiber?

A: Broadband will help our local economy. It will help existing businesses compete, and also attract new businesses to the area. Much like railroads and highways built great cities in the past; the 21st century will be built on fiber optic networks.

