

Letter from the CEO,
Barbara DeGarmo



Dear 2020 Broadband Communities Virtual Summit attendee,

We want to thank you for your support last fall and to say we hope to **SEE** you in person at the Marriott Marquis Houston for the 2021 Summit, Sept. 27 – 30.

We are hard at work on a great program with a focus on rekindling our connections and taking **ACTION** in the post-pandemic economy. It's all about **meeting, engaging** and **doing** as we hear from both experienced and new voices on driving change, innovation and evolution in our broadband communities as we work to create a more connected future.

We want to assure you that we will be following CDC recommendations to enhance the safety of all our attendees. Wearing a face covering is required in the public areas of the Marriott Marquis and staff members wear PPE, including face coverings and gloves. Enhanced public space cleaning is in effect, and every guest room is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected prior to your arrival. Capacity at indoor dining venues has been reduced by 50% and all meeting areas, including pre-function areas, meeting rooms, the exhibit hall, common areas and any other spaces where attendees will be gathering, are being designed to allow for physical distancing.

Finally, we will employ the latest innovations in digital technology to keep you safe and well. Our plan is to allow entry only to attendees who can provide proof of immunization or negative COVID-19 testing. We will provide more information as we get closer to the event.

While circumstances may change, one thing that will NOT change is our determination to make this a safe, highly informative, must-attend event.

Cheers and see you in Houston,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara DeGarmo". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Barbara DeGarmo
CEO