

Austin next city for ultra-fast Google Fiber (Update)

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In this Oct. 8, 2010 file photo, the Google logo is displayed outside Google headquarters in Mountain View, Calif. Google executives and Texas Gov. Rick Perry are expected Tuesday, April 9, 2013 to name tech-savvy Austin as the second city where the search giant will offer its ultra-fast home Internet service. Last summer, Kansas City became the first metro area in the U.S. to receive Google Fiber. (AP Photo/Paul Sakuma)



(AP)—Google Inc. says tech-savvy Austin will be the next city to receive the search giant's ultra-fast Internet service starting next year.

Google on Tuesday did not reveal how much Austin customers will pay for Google Fiber. The gigabit Internet service is about 100 times faster than a basic cable modem.

Last summer, Kansas City became the first metro area in the U.S. to receive Google Fiber. Customers there pay \$70 a month for the top-speed connection.

Milo Medin, who heads up Google Fiber, says the company will begin identifying Austin neighborhoods to install the service in 2014.

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