



Shop Smart, Stay Safe: Cybersecurity Tips for the Holidays

The holiday season is filled with excitement—finding the perfect gifts, snagging holiday deals, and enjoying festive traditions. But while you're filling online shopping carts, cybercriminals are also on the lookout. Christmas is one of the busiest times of year for online scams, identity theft, and digital fraud.

At Randolph Communications, we want to help you shop smarter and safer this season. With a few simple precautions, you can keep cyber grinchies away and make sure your holidays stay merry and bright.

5 Cybersecurity Tips for Safer Holiday Shopping:

Shop from Trusted Retailers – Stick to well-known websites and check that the web address begins with **https://** before entering payment info.

Use Strong, Unique Passwords – Don't reuse the same password across shopping accounts. Strong passwords are one of the best defenses against hackers.

Watch for Phishing Scams – Be cautious of emails or texts claiming shipping issues, surprise deals, or gift card offers. When in doubt, go directly to the retailer's site.

Secure Your Wi-Fi – Make sure your home network is password-protected and encrypted before making online purchases.

Monitor Your Accounts – Keep an eye on bank and credit card statements to spot suspicious charges early.

This Christmas, don't let hackers sneak into your digital life. Protect your personal information, secure your online accounts, and enjoy the season with confidence.

🎁 The best gift you can give yourself and your family is peace of mind.

Randolph Communication is here to help you stay protected—both at home and online.

📞 Call us today at **336-879-5684** to learn more about how we can keep your holiday season secure.

Stay safe, shop smart, and make this Christmas unforgettable—for all the right reasons.





RANDOLPH COMMUNICATIONS HOSTS SENIOR SAFETY SERIES

Randolph Communications invites local seniors to attend our upcoming Senior Safety Series, a free educational event focused on helping our community stay safe and informed.

Participants will learn how to recognize scams, protect personal information, and use technology confidently and securely. Light refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend.

Choose One:



Tuesday, December 9, 2025



10:00–11:00 a.m.



Beulah Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
8454 Howard Mill Road, Bennett, NC



Thursday, December 11, 2025



1:00–2:00 p.m.



Liberty Senior Center
239 S. Fayetteville St., Liberty, NC



Admission is free, but space is limited!
For more information, call 336-879-5684.

Register for an event by scanning the QR code or visiting
<https://form.jotform.com/rtmcmktg/senior-safety-series>

Don't Wait—Donate! 9th Annual Food Drive

Help fight hunger and maybe win!
Donate three non-perishable items
at an RTMC office for a
\$100 Amazon gift card chance.



FOOD HARVEST DRIVE

1 CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

DONATE TODAY

DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

Randolph Communications

317 E Dixie Dr, Asheboro
211 W Swannanoa Ave, Liberty

Lowes Food

737 W Dixie Dr, Asheboro

First Bank

335 S Fayetteville St, Asheboro

Pinnacle Bank

854 E Dixie Dr, Asheboro

Central Bakery

122 N Church St, Asheboro

PIP Marketing, Signs, Print

North Gate Plz, 1499 N
Fayetteville St, Asheboro

Stonetree Signs & Graphics

2011 S Fayetteville St, Asheboro

Nutrition Extreme

1017 S Fayetteville St, Asheboro

Liberty Tire & Auto Tire Pros

232 N Greensboro St, Liberty

Liberty Grounds

129 S Fayetteville St, Liberty

Eldorado Outpost

4021 NC-109, Troy

ITEMS NEEDED:

- Canned Food
- Cereal
- Pasta
- Peanut Butter

All items will be donated to local food
banks throughout the areas we serve.

**RANDOLPH COMMUNICATIONS WILL
MATCH EVERY DONATION.**

OCTOBER 1ST - NOVEMBER 19TH

FIBER BUILDOUT UPDATE



Fiber-fast internet is as essential today as the home phone was when Randolph Communications first connected our communities back in 1954. For more than 70 years, we've evolved alongside our members—bringing the latest technology to homes, schools, farms, and businesses across the region.

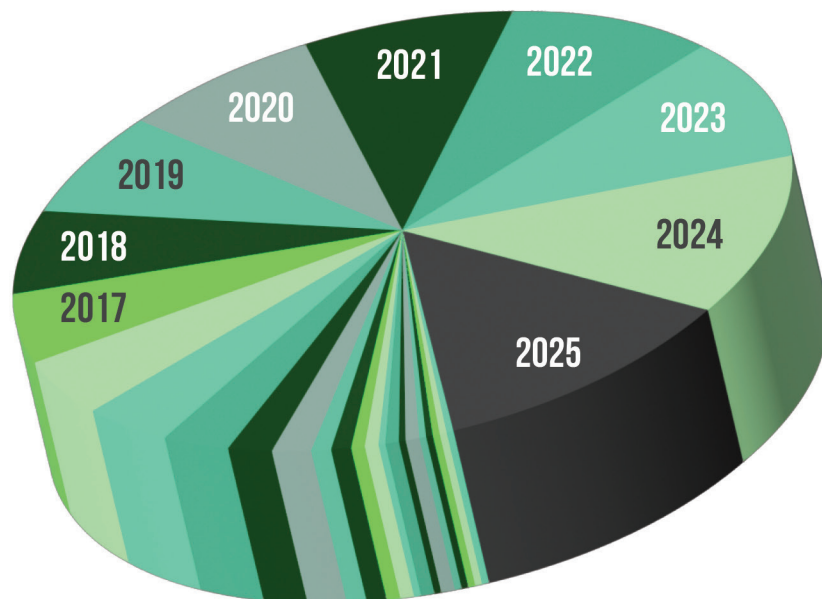
Today, fiber broadband keeps our communities thriving—fueling local business, advancing education and healthcare, supporting agriculture, and powering the smart homes of tomorrow.

Since rebuilding our fiber network, Randolph Communications has invested over \$90.7 million into local infrastructure, expanding reliable, high-speed connections across 761 square miles in eight counties—many of which were once overlooked by other providers.

And we're not slowing down. Fiber construction and network upgrades remain our top priority through 2025 and beyond—keeping our communities connected, competitive, and ready for whatever comes next.

Year	Fiber Investment	Year	Fiber Investment
1998	\$1,611,704.49	2012	\$11,395,297.81
1999	\$1,732,183.00	2013	\$15,688,589.11
2000	\$1,875,011.17	2014	\$23,413,560.07
2001	\$2,092,317.57	2015	\$30,828,569.06
2002	\$2,322,881.91	2016	\$37,193,847.66
2003	\$2,538,325.70	2017	\$42,047,986.76
2004	\$2,801,817.43	2018	\$46,182,326.51
2005	\$3,096,333.19	2019	\$51,258,400.98
2006	\$3,300,458.99	2020	\$58,619,185.74
2007	\$3,646,950.19	2021	\$65,696,800.34
2008	\$3,878,252.05	2022	\$71,777,406.11
2009	\$4,215,956.77	2023	\$76,650,200.00
2010	\$4,952,249.24	2024	\$85,931,656.55
2011	\$7,713,293.26	6/30/25	\$90,788,826.75

Total \$90,788,826.75





Home security systems help you sleep in heavenly peace.

For a FREE quote, call 336-879-5684!

To ensure you receive our bill notifications, please whitelist email: rtmc-noreply@smarthub.coop.

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<https://rtmc.smarthub.coop>

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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 2 - Daylight Saving Time Ends

November 11 - Veterans Day

November 27 & 28 - Business Offices Closed

December 24 & 25 - Business Offices Closed

Randolph Telephone Membership Corp. was established in 1954 as a member-owned cooperative now serving eight exchanges in seven different counties. Randolph Telephone provides complete communication services such as local telephone access, business telephone systems, high-speed internet, security, camera surveillance, computer services, and wireless services through its affiliate Randolph Communications.



www.rtmc.net

Closed for lunch from 1:30-2:00pm

8:30am-5:00pm

Monday-Friday

Liberty, NC 27298

211 West Swannanoa Ave

Liberty

Drive Thru Hours: 8:00am to 5:30pm

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