



# FAQ's

## 1. What is #SFWiFi?

- a. #SFWiFi on Market Street is a high speed outdoor only wireless internet connection that is available to anyone with a laptop, smart phone, tablet or any mobile device with an internet browser.
- b. #SFWiFi in the parks provides indoor and outdoor wireless connection to 32 parks, plazas and recreation centers. It is also available to anyone with a laptop, smart phone, tablet or any mobile device with an internet browser.

## 2. What is the coverage area for the #SFWiFi?

- a. Market Street is available on a 3.1 mile stretch of Market Street, starting at Castro Street and ending at the pedestrian corridor at the east end of the Embarcadero.
- b. 32 Parks are covered mainly in the most densely populated areas of the parks. (Ongoing fine tuning will take place to enhance service where needed)

## 3. How far away from Market Street can I still connect?

- a. The supported WiFi coverage area is only as wide as Market Street and only outdoors.

## 4. Will #SFWiFi work inside buildings along Market Street?

- a. The WiFi network is not designed to work inside buildings.

## 5. Who uses the network?

- a. The network is available to the general public.

## 6. What is the speed of my connection?

- a. The connection speed will vary depending on a number of factors:
  - i. Numbers of current users
  - ii. Signal strength
  - iii. Device



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**7. What is the wireless protocol?**

- a. 802.11 g/n/a

**8. What devices are supported?**

- a. Any device with a wireless networking card is supported:
  - i. Cell Phones
  - ii. Tablets
  - iii. Laptops
  - iv. Wi-Fi enabled cameras

**9. Where is the funding coming from for this project?**

- a. Market Street: Funding came from the Department and Technology and donated equipment and services.  
32 Parks: This was made possible by a financial gift from Google and funding from the Department of Technology

**10. Are there plans to expand #SFWiFi beyond Market Street, city parks, plazas and recreation centers?**

- a. The Department of Technology currently developing a strategic plan to further expand connectivity for the public benefit in various locations across the City. And, as we continue to develop our plan for connectivity, I welcome the opportunity to work collaboratively with organizations and members of the public in ensuring that high speed internet connectivity is accessible for all our residents.

**11. Who do I call if I have trouble with the #SFWiFi?**

- a. Issues can be reported by calling 311 or tweeting @SF311.

**12. Will I get an update on my 311 service ticket?**

- a. The most updated status of your ticket can be found at: <http://www.sf311.org>



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**13. Is my information safe while using wireless?**

- a. It is a free public WiFi service open to anyone, caution should be taken to protect your private and financial information.

**14. Is #SFWiFi use monitored or any websites blocked?**

- a. Usage is not monitored, only system statistics are being gathered:
  - i. WiFi System health and stability
  - ii. Performance
  - iii. Connection speeds

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