

LIFE. STYLE.

SOUTH BEND APPEALS TO PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND LIFE STAGES, BOASTING A MAJOR UNIVERSITY, THE SECOND-BUSIEST AIRPORT IN INDIANA, A COMMUTER RAIL SERVICE TO NEARBY CHICAGO AND SEVERAL WIDELY RENOWNED BUSINESSES.



LIVE LARGE. SPEND SMALL.



AN AFFORDABLE QUALITY OF LIFE

South Bend was ranked the sixth most affordable U.S. urban area by Forbes.com. It offers a wide range of well-maintained, housing in vintage architectural styles. Ranch homes, bungalows, historic homes and gracious mansions are all close to schools, work, shopping and entertainment.

A RANGE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The city's major employers represent diverse industries, including health care, education, business and finance, and the burgeoning field of nanotechnology. Many employers, such as Crowe Horwath, AM General, Bosch and Press Ganey Associates, are recognized as leaders in their fields.

A WEALTH OF DIVERSE CULTURAL OFFERINGS, INCLUDING:

- Century Center, a convention facility with 75,000 square feet of function space, including a stunning Great Hall overlooking the St. Joseph River.
- The Morris Performing Arts Center, a restored 1921 vintage performance venue that ranks among the world's top 50 for ticket sales.
- The Palais Royale Ballroom, an opulent 1920s-era big band dance hall now used for banquets, parties and receptions.
- The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center and the Snite Museum of Art at Notre Dame.
- The award-winning South Bend Civic Theatre.
- Potawatomi Zoo, the oldest zoo in Indiana, ranked among the Top 20 zoos for families, as well as the Potawatomi greenhouse and conservatories.
- Produce from more than 100 vendors at a Farmers Market in operation continuously since 1911.

SOUTH BEND AT A GLANCE

Population
107,789

Median age
34.5

Cost of living index
95.3

Median home value
\$87,300

Leading
employment sectors
**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
HEALTH CARE
MANUFACTURING
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Museums include the College Football Hall of Fame, HealthWorks! Kids Museum, the Northern Indiana Center for History, the Studebaker National Museum, the South Bend Museum of Art, the South Bend Chocolate Co.'s Chocolate Museum and the Indiana University South Bend Civil Rights Heritage Center.

NUMEROUS SPORTS OPPORTUNITIES

South Bend ranks as one of America's top 50 sports cities because it offers numerous opportunities to attend and participate in a wide variety of sports. Options include:

- Whitewater rafting and kayaking on the East Race Waterway, the first artificial urban whitewater course in North America.
- Great fishing, boating and rowing opportunities on the St. Joseph River.
- A system of bike trails and routes that traverse public byways.
- A river walk connecting downtown with surrounding neighborhoods.
- Coveleski Regional Stadium, home of the Class A South Bend Silver Hawks.
- NCAA Division I-A football, basketball and other sports at the University of Notre Dame.

NUMEROUS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The South Bend area boasts an unusual abundance of post-secondary institutions that focus on providing comprehensive general and/or liberal arts education, including the University of Notre Dame, Indiana University South Bend, Ivy Tech Community College, Saint Mary's College, Holy Cross College, Bethel College, and Brown Mackie College.

Additionally, the Indiana University School of Medicine has a regional campus in South Bend, next to the Notre Dame campus.

HIGH-QUALITY, ACCESSIBLE HEALTH CARE

The South Bend medical community offers city residents a high level of medical care in specialties not typically found in a city of this size. Roughly 60 percent of the area's health-care providers are located within a one-mile radius of the city's largest hospital.

PROXIMITY TO REGIONAL ATTRACTIONS

Chicago
95 miles

Indianapolis
140 miles

The Indiana Dunes lakeshore
51 miles

A profusion of vineyards and orchards in Michigan wine country
30-80 miles

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