

EAST LANSING

*big-city amenities,
small-town charm*

A VIBRANT DOWNTOWN

- Downtown East Lansing offers a mix of restaurants, shops, galleries, visitor accommodations, offices, living spaces, public art and outdoor plazas.
- The downtown is walking distance from several neighborhoods and MSU's beautiful campus.



COST OF LIVING

- The Lansing-East Lansing region was recently ranked #2 in NerdWallet's list of the Most Affordable Medium-Sized Metros for Homeownership.
- East Lansing's cost of living is comparable to other local communities with these added benefits: weekly rubbish collection/curbside recycling, Simple Recycling, free leaf and holiday waste pickup days, street maintenance, family events and programs, an active seniors' program, a community center with affordable fitness passes/class rates, a wonderful local library and more. Residents also enjoy affordable water/sewer rates and electric service as well as no city income tax.

A UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

As the proud home of Michigan State University, East Lansing offers the unique perks of a college setting:

- Big Ten sports
- the Wharton Center for Performing Arts, featuring dance, music and Broadway tour stops and the Lansing Symphony
- major national acts at the Breslin Center
- lifelong educational opportunities
- exhibitions and events at the world-renowned Eli & Edythe Broad Art Museum and MSU Museum
- College of Music recitals
- on-campus leisure activities
- a community rich with diversity
- beautiful outdoor gardens



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WHY CHOOSE TO LIVE IN EAST LANSING?

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GREAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- The East Lansing Public Schools (ELPS) include five elementary schools, one middle school and one high school.
- Approximately 3,500 students are currently enrolled and the student-teacher ratio is 21:1.
- East Lansing High School is recognized as a Silver Medal school by U.S. News & World Report and is ranked 17th in the state. Every year, a number of ELHS students are recognized as National Merit Scholar finalists.
- A total of 64 countries and 70 languages are represented at ELPS. As a result, students are offered a culturally rich educational experience.
- ELPS offers all levels of athletic competition, including 26 varsity sports. The Trojans annually compete for conference and state championships.
- ELPS also offers band, orchestra, theater, art, choir, world languages and a variety of clubs.
- Schools are nestled in neighborhoods, making walking to school easy.



GREAT NEIGHBORHOODS

- East Lansing has more than 20 close-knit neighborhoods, each with its own unique character.
- East Lansing offers diverse housing choices - from charming historic homes dating back to the early 1900's to newly constructed residences.
- Many neighborhoods have active neighborhood associations that host meetings, picnics, concerts, ice cream socials and other special events.
- East Lansing has been recognized nationally as the 2nd happiest and 8th most walkable small U.S. city.

OUTDOOR RECREATION

Outdoor recreation is abundant in East Lansing! There are:

- 25 community parks, an Aquatic Center, softball & soccer complexes, an off-leash dog park and more.
- The 4.5-mile Northern Tier Trail connects many of the recreational areas and is great for running, walking, biking and enjoying wildlife.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

The City of East Lansing offers more than 50 arts and cultural events each year, the majority of which are FREE. Events include:

- the nationally-ranked East Lansing Art Festival
- the Summer Solstice Jazz Festival
- the Great Lakes Folk Festival
- the East Lansing Film Festival
- a farmer's market
- outdoor movies in a park setting
- downtown summer concerts
- children's concerts & youth theater
- a Play in the Park children's entertainment series
- open mic nights
- a winter festival
- the Mid-Winter Singing Festival and more!

