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# **Comprehensive Relocation Guide**

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We would like to introduce you to the Triangle area and share with you the wonderful things which makes the Triangle such a great place to live. It is an amazing community which consistently boasts the highest quality of life rankings.

So that you will have all area service information at your fingertips, we have compiled this resource guide for your convenience. Whether you are doing preliminary research in deciding to relocate to this area or you already call the Triangle home, this guide, as well as our Team services are available to assist you.

Thank you for considering the Triangle area for your new home.

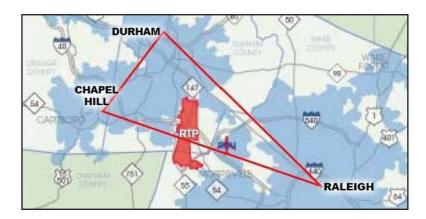
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# Welcome to The Triangle



One of the first things most people learn about the Triangle area is that it is rated as one of the top places in the country to live. Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill make up the three points of the "Triangle", the most common local term used to represent the cities surrounding Research Triangle Park.

This is an exciting area. There are many wonderful discoveries to be made about North Carolina and the Triangle. The Triangle is rich in culture, history, education and sports. The Duke Blue Devils are at home in Durham, The University of North Carolina Tar Heels play basketball at the Dean Dome in Chapel Hill, the Wolfpack are in Raleigh at North Carolina State University and the Carolina Hurricanes (professional hockey team & 2006 Stanley Cup Winner) call Raleigh home at the PNC Arena. Raleigh is also home to the North Carolina Museum of Art, The Museum of Natural Science and the History Museum and the first state supported symphony in the country, the acclaimed North Carolina Symphony.

The Triangle is tops because it brings people together from all over the world to work, learn and live. Once thought of as three quiet southern towns, Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill have grown to become a metropolitan area centered on the thriving Research Triangle Park.

As designed, the Research Triangle Park is headquarters to some of the most prestigious companies in the world. As the Park and surrounding cities have grown, the road system has been expanded to meet the demands of daily travel, bringing the surrounding cities and the Triangle closer together. The longest drive from one city to another through the Park area is forty minutes, making any point in the Triangle an easy commute to work.

The cities surrounding the Triangle offer a wide variety of housing and neighborhoods. When people come here, they are struck first by the lush rolling grace of the landscape, second by the moderate climate that makes bicycling, golf, and tennis year-round sports, and third by the lifestyle choices. Whether you're looking for an older home to restore in a downtown historic area, an established or brand new subdivision with recreation facilities, or a place out in the country away from it all, the Triangle has a home for you.





## Raleigh: State Capital and a Variety of Options

Established in 1792, Raleigh is the State Capital of North Carolina. It is a city where things happen. Along with the on-going activity of state and local politics, there are concerts, art shows, college and professional sports, horse shows, road races, bicycle races, parades, lectures, debates, and even the North Carolina State Fair.

The older section of Raleigh, including the vibrant downtown area, is surrounded by a circumferential highway commonly referred to as the Beltline. "Inside the Beltline" has older established neighborhoods that offer a wide variety of housing from small bungalows to some rather stately old mansions. Also, "Inside the Beltline" are Raleigh's six colleges, Raleigh Little Theater, Theatre in the Park, Thompson Theater, Red Hat Amphitheater, ArtSpace, a half dozen art galleries, three museums, Raleigh Convention Center, Duke Energy Center which contains the Meymandi Concert Hall and the Fletcher Oprah Theater, and the southeast's oldest shopping center, Cameron Village, which creates an area with a diverse urban quality of life.

The area outside the Beltline offers an amazing array of long established and newer neighborhoods designed for family living. Many neighborhoods are known for their large lots and expansive recreational areas. You can find everything from a 1960's Ranch, a modern Colonial, or a one of the kind Contemporary home. Best of all, this suburban living is only a few short minutes from downtown or the Research Triangle Park.

No matter where you choose to live in or around Raleigh, you will find an inviting greenway system of parks, mini-parks, jogging trails, four man-made lake areas for fishing, canoeing, swimming and boating, and public swimming pools, including two year-round facilities. The Capital Area Greenway system has over 100 miles of trails which is made up of 28 individual trails, each with its own unique features, destinations, and character.





## Cary: The Town That Grew Beyond Its Wildest Dreams

Make no mistake, the city of Cary is no newcomer to the Triangle. In fact, it was established in 1750 as a rural agricultural center, and was incorporated as a city in 1871. Before the development of the Research Triangle Park, Cary was a small, well-planned community. In 1907, the first public high school was built in Cary and the town has maintained its commitment to both controlled growth and fine education.

Through sound planning and careful development, balancing housing with schools and shopping, Cary has expanded its population has dramatically without forfeiting the quality of life that first established it as a town known for its civilized southern hospitality. Housing sizes, styles and lifestyles run the gamut in Cary from condos designed for singles to rolling country club estates. Several neighborhoods surround golf courses, Like Raleigh, Cary has an extensive greenway system and a broad expanse of dedicated public space that takes advantage of the area's user friendly climate.

## Chapel Hill: The Village Life

It is almost impossible to think of Chapel Hill without thinking of the University of North Carolina. The University is located in downtown Chapel Hill and borders Franklin Street, the main promenade for students and residents alike.

Chapel Hill is a small city, good for strolling along its quaint streets. Numerous bookstores and restaurants vie for your attention. There is a pace to the life in Chapel Hill that makes it for many, the only place on earth to live. This gentle spirit has made Chapel Hill a favorite spot for retirees.

Small neighborhoods and homes are located throughout downtown and the University area. Also, fanning out towards Durham, Hillsborough, Carrboro, and Pittsboro are a number of older and established neighborhood developments with lots and homes of varying sizes.





## **Durham: City of Medicine and Education**

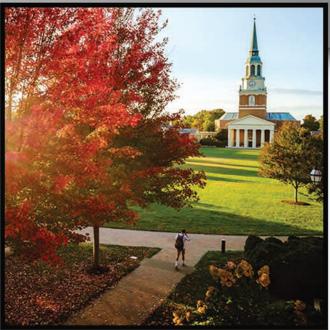
Durham is the City of Medicine, but it was also the center of the tobacco industry for many years. When you drive into downtown Durham, you will see a collection of low-slung brick buildings, against a bright and vivid modern skyline, once home to Liggett Myers Tobacco Company. Today, these historic structures house chic boutiques, condos and offices.

Not far from the warehouses, you'll find prestigious Duke University and Duke Medical Center. The Durham Bulls AAA baseball team draws a cheering crowd to all of its home games. Nearby the North Carolina School of Math and Science expands the minds of gifted students.

Surrounding Duke University are the grand old homes of Durham's founding fathers, flanked by many charming older neighborhoods.

Downtown Durham and Duke's campus are home to the Durham Performing Arts Center (DPAC). With a mission of presenting one-of a-kind live entertainment events, DPAC truly has "something for everyone", hosting over 200 performances a year including spectacular touring Broadway productions, high-profile concerts and comedy events, family shows and the heralded American Dance Festival. The town is a strong drawing card for the visual arts, jazz, dance, and chamber music. From Bach to baseball, Durham has it all. It is a vital and exciting urban place to live.





## Wake Forest: Small-Town Living

Wake Forest is located north of Raleigh. It has been successful in enticing new industries and new residents. Merchants organized to creatively generate business. Over time, more Raleigh residents and newcomers from other places settled in the area because of less expensive real estate and other benefits of small-town living. Today, Wake Forest is attempting to balance its small-town attributes, including a historical downtown, and the challenges of growth.

## Pittsboro: Strong Sense of Community

Pittsboro is in the heart of Chatham County, one of the fastest growing counties in the state. It is the county seat and, as such, home to the Chatham County Government Complex employing more than 1300 people. Residents of Pittsboro embrace small town values of respect for one another and a strong sense of community. Its' people are a diverse group of artists and farmers, merchants and students. It is home of the enchanting Fearrington Village. It supports software and bio-fuel research and production, antique shops and art galleries.

# The Outskirts: A Quiet Pace of Life Away from the Crowds

Many people moving into the Triangle in recent years have opted to live in one of the smaller communities surrounding the area. Among these communities are Zebulon, home of the North Carolina baseball team, the Mudcats; Garner; Clayton; Holly Springs; Fuquay-Varina; Apex; and Knightdale. Each town offers affordable housing and a short commute to downtown Raleigh and RDU International Airport.

## **Education**

## **Child Care**

Day nurseries, child care centers and in-home care providers are available throughout the Triangle area. Several non-profit referral organizations have been established to help you identify services for your child.

### Raleigh/Wake County

NC Division of Child Development	(919) 662-4499
Wake County Social Services	(919) 212-7000

### **Durham/Durham County**

NC Division of Child Development	(919) 662-4499
Durham Child Care Services	(919) 403-6950

### **Orange & Chatham County**

Child Care Services Association	(919) 967-3272
Child Care Network	(919) 542-6644

You may also visit www.ncchildcare.net for information on child care in North Carolina.

## **Elementary and Secondary Education**

### **Wake County Public Schools**

(919) 850-1600

### www.wcpss.net

This county wide school system provides public schooling for citizens within Raleigh and all other municipalities within Wake County.

### **Durham County Public Schools**

(919) 560-2000

### www.dpsnc.net

Durham County Public Schools accommodate all public school needs within the entire county.

### **Orange County Public Schools**

(919) 732-8126

### www.orange.k12.nc.us

All municipalities other than Chapel Hill and Carrboro in Orange County are part of the Orange County Public School System.

### **Chapel Hill-Carrboro Public Schools**

(919) 967-8211

### www.chccs.k12.nc.us

These two cities in Orange County have a separate city school system for their children.

# Education

## **Private & Christian Schools**

A number of private schools are available throughout the Triangle area for grades kindergarten through twelve. For more information, contact the Office of Non-Public Education. When requesting information, be sure to specify the county or counties of interest to you.

Office of Non-Public Education

(919) 733-4276

www.doa.state.nc.us/dnpe

## **Colleges and Universities**

There are over 10 colleges and universities throughout the Triangle area. In addition to their educational programs, the cultural resources of these institutions greatly enrich the community.

<b>Duke University</b>	(919) 684-8111
Durham	www.duke.edu
<b>Durham Technical Community College</b> Durham	(919) 686-3333 www.durhamtech.org
Meredith College	(919) 829-8600
Raleigh	www.meredith.edu
North Carolina Central University Durham	(919) 560-6100 www.nccu.edu
North Carolina State University Raleigh	(919) 515-2011 www.ncsu.edu
William Peace College	(919) 508-2000
Raleigh	www.peace.edu
Saint Augustines College	(919) 516-4000
Raleigh	www.st-aug.edu
Shaw University Raleigh	(919) 546-8275 www.shawuniversity.edu
University of North Carolina	(919)962-2211
Chapel Hill	www.unc.edu
Wake Technical Community College	(919) 662-3500
Raleigh	www.waketech.edu

For a full list of Colleges and Universities visit: www.researchtriangle.org

## **Medical Facilities**

## **Area Hospitals**

**Wake County** 

Wake Medical Center (919) 350-8000 3000 New Bern Avenue www.wakemed.org

Raleigh

**Rex Hospital** (919) 783-3100

4420 Lake Boone Trail www.rexhealth.com

Raleigh

Raleigh Community Hospital (919 954-3000

3400 Wake Forest Road www.rch-hospital.org

Raleigh

Southern Wake Hospital (919) 552-2206

400 W Ransom St. www.wakemed.org

Fuquay-Varina

Western Wake Medical Center (919) 233-2300

1900 Kildaire Farm Road www.wakemed.org

Cary

Eastern Wake Hospital (919) 269-7406

320 Hospital Drive www.wakemed.com

Zebulon

**Durham County** 

Durham Regional Hospital (919) 470-4000

3643 N. Roxboro Road www.durhamregional.org

Durham

**Veterans Administration Medical Center** (919) 286-0411

508 Fulton www.va.gov

Durham

Lenox Baker Children's Hospital (919) 684-6660

3000 Frwin Road

Durham

**Duke University Medical Center** (919) 684-8111

Durham www.mc.duke.edu

# **Medical Facilities**

### **Orange County**

**UNC Hospitals** (919) 966-4131

Chapel Hill www.unchealthcare.org

## Other Health Care Numbers

### Medical

Doctor Choice (physician referrals)	(919) 350-8900
UNC Hospitals Health Link	(919) 966-7890
Hospice of Wake County	(919) 828-0890
Duke Health Community Care	(800) 849-2053
Wake Co. Human Services Mental Health	(919) 250-3100

### **Dental**

Dental Referral Service (800) 243-4444

www.dentalreferral.com

North Carolina Dental Society (919) 677-1396

### **Emergency Information**

All Emergencies (Police, Fire, Rescue) 911

Carolina Poison Center (800) 848-69466 National Poison Control (800) 222-1222

### **Taxes**

Property tax values are reassessed every eight years in Wake County. In some areas, the tax values are adjusted at year 4. New tax rates are established annually. This is done on a county by county basis. Assessment is based on the property's estimated market value as of the re-evaluation date. You would also list personal and real property through the following numbers.

Wake County Tax Assessor's Office www.co.wake.nc.us/revenue	(919) 856-5400
Durham County Tax Assessor's Office www.co.durham.nc.us/txad	(919) 560-0300
Orange County Tax Assessor's Office www.co.orange.nc.us/assessor/index.htm	(919) 732-8181
Chatham County Tax Assessor's Office www.co.chatham.nc.us/	(919) 542-8250
State Tax Refund Inquiry Line	(919) 733-4682
Taxpayer Assistance	(919) 733-4684
Forms	(919) 715-0397

## Personal Property Tax

Personal and real property are subject to taxation. Tax rates are alike. Automobile taxes are levied at the time of your annual license plate renewal. Local governments charge a personal property tax, which applies to homeowners and renters, at the same time as real estate taxes. Taxable real and personal property must be listed each year. For individuals, taxable items include mobile homes, boats and unregistered cars. Homeowners who make improvements to their homes must list these changes. If you don't receive a form for listing by mail, you can pick one up at the public library.

City tax rates apply only to property located within the city limits and are combined with the county tax rate to determine the total property tax rate. Registered vehicles are not listed with personal property. After registering a vehicle, you will receive a bill due on the first day of the fourth month following registration.

## Sales Tax

As of 2016, the state charges a 6.5 percent sales tax. Exceptions to the 6.5 percent tax include motor vehicles, which are subject to a 3 percent highway use tax with a minimum tax of \$1,500.

## **Motor Vehicle Information**

### **Vehicle Registration**

### www.dmv.dot.state.nc.us

The North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles requires that you register your vehicle within 30 days of establishing residence in the state.

Apex: Police Station	(919) 362-8661
Cary: South Hills Mall	(919) 469-1444
Chapel Hill	(919) 929-0204
Durham	(919)286-4908 or (919) 544-6607
Fuquay: Courthouse	(919 552-9043
Raleigh: North Hills Mall	(919) 781-4967
Raleigh: 1100 New Bern Ave	(919) 861-3577
Wake Forest: 2012 S. Main St.	(919) 554-0770
Zebulon: Police Station	(919) 269-0117

### **Driver's License—Department of Motor Vehicles**

### www.dmv.dot.state.nc.us

After new residents have established their residency in North Carolina, they have 60 days to obtain a state driver's license. They must take a written exam and a road signs test; an on-the-road driving test, however, is at the discretion of the examiner. If moving within the state, a change of address must be reported within 60 days.

North Carolina has a 5-year license renewal program. Licenses are renewed based on birthdates, for periods of four to eight years. Fees for a Class C license, the class most drivers need to operate a personal automobile or a small truck, cost \$2.50 per year. Payment in cash is required. Identification will be required (such as a valid out-of-state license with picture, birth certificate, passport, etc.) If you wish to be an organ donor, you may indicate your decision on the front of your license.

Licenses may be obtained from the North Carolina Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles. Call them at (919) 715-7000 for more information.

Cary	(919) 468-0319
Durham (Miami Blvd)	(919) 560-6896
Durham (Highway 54)	(919) 560-3379
Fuquay-Varina	(919) 552-1895
Garner	(919) 662-4366
Raleigh	(919) 816-9128
Wendell	(919) 365-9516

### **License Plates**

The fee for NC license plates and annual renewal stickers is determined by the use of the vehicle and county of residence. Fees can be between \$20 and \$26.50. Insurance information (name of company and policy number) and proof of ownership must be furnished before purchasing plates.

All vehicles must be inspected for safety within ten days after obtaining license plates, and annually thereafter. Inspections may be done at most gas stations.

## <u>Transportation</u>

Each city within the Triangle area has its own bus system. Please contact each city for a schedule.

### **City Bus Lines**

Raleigh	(919) 828-7228
Chapel Hill	(919) 968-2769
Durham	(919) 957-7336

### **Long Distance Bus Lines**

Greyhound Bus Line	www.greyhound.com
Raleigh	(919) 834-8275
Durham	(919) 687-4800
Trailways Bus Line	www.trailways.com
Raleigh	(919) 833-3601
Durham	(919) 687-4800
Chapel Hill	(919) 942-3356

## Rail Service

Amtrak www.amtrak.com

(800) 872-7245

## **Airport**

Raleigh-Durham International Airport www.rdu.com

For individual airlines, consult your yellow pages or internet

## **Voting and Elections**

### General Information

To exercise your voting privilege, you must register to vote in the city or township in which you live 30 days prior to an election. To register, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by the date of the next election and a non-felon. State and county elections are held in even numbered years. City elections are held in odd numbered years.

Wake County	(919) 856-6240
Durham County	(919) 560-0700
Orange County	(919) 967-9251
Johnston County	(919) 989-5095
Chatham County	(919) 542-8206

### **Utilities**

### Raleigh

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Electricity	Carolina Power & Light	(919) 508-5400
Gas	PSNC	(919) 776-2427
Water & Sewer	City of Raleigh	(919) 890-3245
Telephone	Bell South	(919) 780-2355
Cable	Time Warner Cable	(919) 595-4892
Refuse Collection		(919) 831-6890
Recycling Program	ms	(919) 831-6522
The News and Ob	server	(919) 829-4700

### Cary

Electricity	Carolina Power & Light	(919) 508-5400
Gas	PSNC	(919) 776-2427
Water & Sewer	Town of Cary	(919) 469-4050
Telephone	Bell South	(919) 780-2355
Cable	Time Warner Cable	(919) 595-4892
Refuse Collection		(919) 469-4090
<b>Recycling Program</b>	ns	(919) 469-4387
The Cary News		(919) 460-2600

### **Durham**

Electricity	<b>Duke Power</b>	(919) 382-3200
Gas	PSNC	(919) 776-2427
Water & Sewer	City of Durham	(919) 560-4411
Telephone	Bell South	(919) 780-2355
Cable	<b>Time Warner Cable</b>	(919) 595-4892
Refuse Collection		(919) 560-4185
Recycling Programs		(919) 560-4185
The Herald Sun		(919) 419-6500

### **Chapel Hill**

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Electricity	Duke Power	(919) 967-8231
Gas	PSNC	(919) 776-2427
Water & Sewer	Orange Water & Sewer	(919) 968-4421
Telephone	Bell South	(919) 780-2355
Cable	Time Warner Cable	(919) 595-4892
Public Works/Refuse Co	llection	(919) 968-2796
Recycling Program		(919) 968-2788
The Chapel Hill Herald		(919) 967-6581

# **Arts In The Triangle**

## **Arts and Cultural Offerings**

North Carolina is dedicated to the arts. It was the first state to fund a symphony orchestra and to purchase works of art with public funds. North Carolina created the first state-funded school for the performing arts and the first cabinet-level state agency in the nation devoted exclusively to the arts. Each of these "firsts" means one thing—North Carolina wants its citizens to enjoy and benefit from a lifestyle that is rich in culture and artistic expression.

#### Museums

North Carolina Museum of Art	(919) 839-6262
North Carolina Museum of History	(919) 715-0200
North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences	(919) 733-7450
North Carolina Museum of Life & Science	(919) 220-5561
Ackland Art Museum (Chapel Hill)	(919) 966-5736
Duke University Museum of Art	(919) 684-5135
Exploris	(919) 834-4040

### **Music and Dance**

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North Carolina Symphony	(919) 733-9536
National Opera Company	(919) 890-6081
Royal Center for the Arts	(919) 560-2787
Coastal Credit Union Music Park	(919) 831-6400
Dean E. Smith Center	(919) 962-7777
Duke Energy Center of Performing Arts	(919) 996-8700
BTI Center for the Performing Arts	(919) 831-6011
Raleigh Convention Center	(919) 831-6011
American Dance Festival	(919) 684-6402
Durham Performing Arts Center (DPAC)	(919) 680-2787
Red Hat Amphitheater	(919) 996-8800
Koka Booth Amphitheater	(919) 462-2025

#### **Theatre**

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Raleigh Little Theatre	(919) 821-3111
Broadway Series South Box Office	(919) 831-6060
North Carolina Theatre	(919) 831-6950
Theatre in the Park	(919) 831-6058
Thompson Theatre	(919) 515-2405
Paul Green Theatre	(919) 962-7529
Durham Performing Arts Center	(919) 683-3722
Playmakers Repertory Company	(919) 962-7529
Duke University Bryan Center	(919) 684-2323
Durham Arts Council	(919) 560-2787
Carolina Theatre of Durham	(919) 560-3030

# **Arts In The Triangle**

### **Festivals**

Spring Artsplosure Raleigh International Festival Raleigh Autumn Blues and Brews Festival Durham Spring Festival for the Eno Durham Summer Centerfest Durham Summer International Jazz Fest Durham Summer Festifall Chapel Hill Autumn Music Fete Chapel Hill Summer Orange County Orange County Arts Tour Late Autumn Orange County Farm Tour Spring Hog Festival Hillsborough Summer Chatham County Arts Tour Chatham County Late Autumn Lazy Days Cary Summer

### **United Arts of Raleigh & Wake County**

(919) 839-1498

To obtain a copy of the Capital Area Arts Directory, a comprehensive guide to Wake County arts organizations, artists and events, call the number above or write United Arts of Raleigh and Wake County, 112 S. Blount Street, Raleigh, NC 27601.

#### **Durham Arts Council**

(919) 560-2787

To obtain a seasonal listing of art classes offered in the Durham/Durham County area, call the Durham Arts Council.

### **Orange County Arts Commission**

(919) 732-8181

To obtain a Cultural Arts Map and directory of Orange County Arts, call the Orange County Arts Commission.

## Recreation

## Golf

North Carolina has approximately 500 golf courses. The Triangle area boasts over 30 courses varying from public to private courses. The climate allows for year round play. Consult the yellow pages for additional information.

### **Parks and Recreation**

Each city in the Triangle area has an active parks and recreation department, which offers programming and facilities. There are swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds, community centers, gymnasiums and parks for everyone's enjoyment.

Raleigh Parks & Recreation	(919) 831-6640
Carrboro Parks & Recreation	(919) 918-7364
Cary Parks & Recreation	(919) 469-4061
Chapel Hill Parks & Recreation	(919)968-2784
Durham Parks & Recreation	(919) 560-4355
Fuquay-Varina Parks & Recreation	(919) 552-1410
Garner Parks & Recreation	(919) 772-4688
Wake Forest Parks & Recreation	(919) 554-6180
Zebulon Parks & Recreation	(919) 269-7455
Wendell Town Hall	(919) 365-4444
Wake County Parks & Recreation	(919) 856-6670
North Carolina Parks & Recreation	(919)735-7275

## **Boating and Water Sports**

Whether you like sailing, windsurfing, water skiing, fishing, camping, canoeing, kayaking or just cruising along the water, there are acres of fresh water to enjoy.

#### Area Lakes

Lake Benson	Southern Wake County	(919) 662-5703
Lake Crabtree	Wake County	(919) 460-3390
Falls Lake	Northern Wake County	(919) 676-1027
Lake Gaston	50 miles North	(252) 586-5711
Lake Johnson	Wake County	(919) 233-2121
Jordan Lake	Southern Wake County	(919) 362-0586
Kerr Lake	50 Miles North	(252) 438-7791
Lake Wheeler	Southern Wake County	(919) 662-5704

### **Area Rivers**

Eno River	Durham	
Haw River	Pittsboro	Class III Whitewater
Little River	Near Durham	Class III Whitewater
Neuse River	Wake County	Canoe Trail
Rocky River	Pittsboro	Class II Whitewater

## Recreation

## **Spectator Sports**

There is a wide variety of spectator sports in the Triangle. Information can be obtained by calling the following numbers.

### **Professional Sports**

Carolina Hurricanes (Ice Hockey) (919) 861-2325 Carolina Courage (Women's Soccer) (919) 573-7319 Carolina Mudcats (Baseball) (919) 269-2287 Carolina Railhawks (Soccer) (919) 459-8144

Carolina Rollergirls (Roller Derby) www.carolinarollergirls.com

Cary Invasion (Basketball) (919) 443-5943 Durham Bulls (Baseball) (919) 956-BULLS

Raleigh Flyers (Ultimate Disc Team) www.raleigh-flyers.com

Go online to: www.visitraleigh.com for more spectator sports.

### **Collegiate Sports**

UNC Ticket Office	(919) 962-2296
Duke Ticket Office	(919) 681-2583
NC State Ticket Office	(919) 515-7128
NC Central Ticket Office	(919) 560-5170

## **Youth Sports & Facilities**

Grand Slam USA	Raleigh	(919) 233-7522
XL Sports World	Apex	(919) 387-2955
YMCA	Raleigh	(919) 719-9622
YMCA	Durham	(919) 667-9622
YMCA	Chapel Hill	(919) 442-9622

Go online to: www.fun4raleighkids.com for a full list of youth sports.

## **Fitness Centers**

Life Time Fitness	Multiple Locations	www.lifetimefitness.com
O2 Fitness	Multiple Locations	www.o2fitnessclubs.com
Orange Therapy Fitness	Multiple Locations	www.orangetherapyfitness.com
Planet Fitness	Multiple Locations	www.planetfitness.com

Go online to: www.yellowpages.com for a full list of fitness centers.

## Other Information

### Libraries

Wake, Durham, and Orange County Libraries have facilities that offer a wide variety of information.

Wake County www.co.wake.nc.us/library

Reference Line (919) 856-6868

Durham County www.durhamcountylibray.org

Reference Line (919) 560-0100

Orange County www.co.orange.nc.us/library

Reference Line (919) 968-2777

Chatham County www.co.chatham.nc.us/dept/library

Reference Line (919) 742-3815

## **Tourist and Visitor Information**

#### **Chambers of Commerce**

Raleigh (919) 664-7000

www.raleighchamber.org

Durham (919) 682-2133

www.durhamchamber.org

Chapel Hill/Carrboro (919) 967-7075

www.chamber@chapelhillcarrboro.org

Hillsborough (919) 732-8156

www.hillsboroughchamber.com

Chatham (919) 742-3333

www.ccucc.net

### Travel and Tourism

Greater Raleigh Visitor's Bureau (919) 834-5900

www.raleighcvb.org

Durham Convention & Visitor's Bureau (919)687-0288

www.durham-nc.com

Chapel Hill Visitor's Bureau (919) 968-2060

www.chocvb.org

## Religious Life

The Triangle offers over 60 religious denominations and 700 places of worship. Consult the yellow pages or internet for additional information.

## Other Information

## **Pet Regulations**

### Raleigh and Cary

Raleigh and Cary require that all cats and dogs wear city and rabies tags at four months old. Tags may be obtained from the City Collection Offices and most veterinarians. Raleigh has a leash law that requires all cats and dogs to be either on a leash or in the owner's yard at all times. Cary has a leash law for dogs only.

### City of Durham

Durham has a leash law and requires rabies vaccinations for pets.

### **Chapel Hill**

Chapel Hill has a leash law and requires rabies vaccinations for pets

Raleigh	(888) 738-3463
Cary	(888) 738-3463
Chapel Hill	(919) 967-7383
Durham	(919) 560-0630

## Dog Parks

Cary Gobold Dog Park 2050 NW Maynard Rd

Cary, NC 27513 919) 469-9142

Homestead Dog Park

100 Northern Park Drive Chapel Hill, NC (919) 968-2787

**Southern Community Park** 

1000 Dogwood Acres Drive Chapel Hill, NC 27516 Durham Dog Park

400 Cleveland St Durham, NC, 27701 (919) 560-4355

North Gate Dog Park

400 W Lavender Ave Durham, NC 27704 (919) 560-4355

Pineywood Park

400 É. Woodcroft Pkwy Durham, NC 27 Carolina Pines Dog Park

2305 Lake Wheeler Road Raleigh, NC 27603

carolinapinesdogpark.com

Millbrook Dog Park

1905 Spring Forest Rd Raleigh, NC 27615 (919) 872-4156

millbrook-dog-park.com

Oakwood Dog Park

910 Brookside Drive Raleigh, NC 27604 oakwooddogpark.com

## Pet Friendly Hotels

Go online to: www.bringfido.com to find a pet friendly hotel.

## What To Do Before You Move Out Of The Area

- Sell your current home. We can refer you to a great Realtor if you don't have one. You may need to assign someone power of attorney to close for you. Discuss this with your Realtor and/or attorney.
- Get copies of your medical records for all members of the family. Don't forget
  the specialists that you've visited and your dentist. Your new doctors will want
  this information for reference.
- Move all prescriptions to a national drug store chain, or get new written
  prescriptions from your current doctor, so you can still get them filled at your new
  location.
- Get copies of schools records for the kids. Inform the school of when you will be leaving.
- Get copies of immunization records for kids.
- Take pictures of all valuables. Preferably video-tape your home prior to the movers showing up. This will help with claims later.
- Pack all items that cannot be replaced and bring them with you. Do not leave
  anything that you cannot live without in the hands of the movers. Bring all highly
  valuable items with you as well as the video and pictures of your items.
- If you are packing your items yourself, then make certain you label them with the room and the general contents of each box. This will be really helpful when you are unpacking later.
- Backup your computer and take the backup files with you.
- Have a farewell party to say good-bye to your friends. Provide all your friends with your new contact info.
- Forward your mail to your new location.
- Cancel all utilities in your name and set up utilities at your new location.
- Open bank accounts in new location.
- Close bank accounts. Update all automatic deposits and payments with new bank account info.
- File a change of address with the IRS, all investment accounts, insurance agents,

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and your creditors.

- Inform all groups you volunteer for that you are leaving.
- Give notice to your employer.
- Your "Basics Box" -- Pack one box that contains the basics and label it as such--put big stars on this box so you can find it easily. The box should include:
  - A roll of paper towels
  - Cleaning products / soap / detergent
  - A can opener
  - A roll of toilet paper for each bath in your new home
  - One set of silverware for each person in the house
  - o Paper plates
  - Plastic cups
  - A sharp knife
  - A small cutting board
  - A screwdriver
  - A hammer
  - A picture hanging kit
  - A pair of pliers
  - An electric drill
  - A box cutter for each adult in the house
  - A dish towel
  - Bath towels for each person in the house
  - A first aid kit
  - A flashlight

## What To Do When You Arrive At Your New Destination

- Apply for a new driver's license (new state) or update your address (same state).
- Get kids set up in new school. Provide school with copies of records.
- Find new doctors and a dentist and give copies of your records to them.
- Meet movers at house. Have them deliver boxes to the rooms they belong in.
   Put all boxes against the walls so you can still move through the house. Find your basics box and open it immediately--you'll need it.
- Unpack as soon as possible (start with the kitchen--you can live without every thing else for a while, you will need to be able to make food immediately). Take pictures of anything that is damaged and file claims in a timely fashion.
- Set up computer and confirm that it is still operational. Restore files if necessary.
- Update insurance to include new home, updated files for new address for cars, and adjustments for new personal property. Remember to order additional riders for computers and high-value jewelry and watches.
- Register car(s) in new state.
- Throw a housewarming party and invite us!

# Home Buying: Find The Right Realtor

## Time for some fun!

Now that you've learned about the Triangle Area, it's time to look for your new home. Shopping for a home is fun and exciting but, you will need a Realtor to protect your best interests. **Beware:** if you call the name on a for sale sign, they are representing the best interest of the SELLER, not you.





An experienced Realtor® is your greatest asset as a home buyer. They are the most involved professional in your transaction. They coordinate all the pieces of your transaction to make sure that everything is documented properly, on time, and processed correctly. They will also be knowledgable of local market data that will help to navigate your home buying choices like a professional.

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- Linda Craft & Team, REALTORS® is the Triangle's #1 ranked Real Estate Team, has been helping individuals and families find a place to call home in all price ranges for over 30 years.
- A locally owned residential real estate company where every dollar earned stays in the community. The Team has helped over 9,000 people make great real estate decisions.
- Linda Craft & Team, REALTORS® is voted one of the "Best Places to Work" in the Triangle. We are founded on strong core values and a mission statement that focuses on your needs and complete satisfaction.

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