

# Appendix 4: Welcome to Nashville!

From the very beginning, Nashville grew out of a foundation built on music. Being known as Music City USA and Home of the Grand Old Opry has attracted visitors from around the world. And Nashville is proud of its musical roots, but Nashville is more than music. Nashville has a growing economy, well-educated population, diverse neighborhoods, and culture. Located in the heart of middle Tennessee, Nashville is home to more than 711,000 residents. According to the Nashville Chamber of Commerce, Nashville’s economic market encompasses 10 counties and a population of more than two million making it the largest Metro area in a five-state region. Nashville is home to numerous colleges and universities, and is a major center for the transportation, healthcare, banking and investment, and technology industries. Nissan North America, Bridgestone Americas, Mitsubishi Motors North America, HCA Healthcare, Alliance Bernstein and iHeartMedia all call Nashville home.

## Employment

### Top Area Employers

(excluding government agencies)

- Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Nissan North America
- HCA Healthcare Inc.
- Vanderbilt University
- Saint Thomas Health
- Community Health Systems
- Randstad
- Asurion
- The Kroger Co.
- National Healthcare Corp.
- Shoney's
- Electrolux Home Products
- Bridgestone Americas
- Lowe's Cos.
- Cracker Barrel Old Country Store
- Amazon.com
- Gaylord Opryland Resort
- AT&T Inc.
- Dollar General Corp.
- Middle Tennessee State University
- UnitedHealthcare
- Goodwill Industries of Middle TN
- Verizon Wireless A.O. Smith Corp.
- Ingram Content Group Inc.
- Tyson Foods
- State Farm Insurance
- Schneider Electric
- Walgreens
- Dell
- UBS
- Geodis
- Deloitte
- Genesco
- Gap
- Regions Bank
- LifeWay Christian Resources

### Household Income

Per capita income	\$35,253
Median Household income	\$59,828

(Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 QuickFacts)

### Average Hourly Wages for Selected Occupations

Occupation	Nashville Area	United States
All Occupations	\$23.98	\$25.72
General and Operation Managers	58.08	59.15
Musicians and Singers	42.76	39.96
Registered Nurses	31.28	37.24
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	23.19	22.52
Bookkeeping, Accounting and Auditing Clerks	21.28	20.65
Retail Salespersons	14.46	14.12

(Source: U.S. BLS, Occupational Employment Statistics, May 2019)

### Unemployment Rate (%)

Year	Nashville	United States
2020	7.0	10.2
2019	2.7	3.7
2018	2.7	3.9
2017	2.9	4.3
2016	3.7	4.9
2015	4.5	5.3
2014	5.2	6.2
2013	6.2	7.4
2012	6.4	8.1
2011	7.8	8.9
2010	8.6	9.6
2009	8.9	9.3
2020	7.0	10.2

(Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics)

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## Education

The Nashville region is defined by its well-educated population, low cost of living and doing business, and a creative culture. Cultural diversity, unique neighborhoods, a variety of industries, and a thriving creative community make Middle Tennessee among the nation’s best locations for relocating, expanding, and startup companies.

### Metro Nashville Public Schools

Early Learning	4
Elementary	70
Middle School	29
High School	23
Special Education	3
Alternative	3
Charter School	27

(Source: mnps.org Quick Guide)

### Other Schools in Davidson County

Private and Parochial	77
Four Year and Post Graduate Institutions	30
Community Colleges	12
Vocational and Technical Schools	20

### Higher Education Facilities

- Vanderbilt University
- Belmont University
- Tennessee State University
- Bethel University
- Lipscomb University
- Trevecca University
- Meharry Medical College
- Fisk University
- Nashville State Community College
- Tennessee College of Applied Technology



### Financial Assistance

#### Nashville GRAD

Nashville State Community College provides financial and academic support for full-time students pursuing higher education. Nashville GRAD offers eligible students financial assistance with textbooks, transportation, industry certification fees, emergency needs and additional tools or equipment while they are pursuing a full-time education at Nashville State. Full-time students also receive wraparound services including academic and career counseling and advisory. For more information visit: [nsc.edu/admissions/nashville-grad](https://nsc.edu/admissions/nashville-grad)

#### Free College for All

Tennessee’s Drive to 55 initiative provides free tuition to technical and community colleges for all Tennesseans. Tennessee is the first state in the nation to offer tuition-free community or technical college to high school students and adults.

#### Tennessee Reconnect

Started in 2018, the Tennessee Reconnect program helps adults attend a community college or technical college and complete a postsecondary degree or credential, tuition-free. The joint effort includes public and private nonprofit higher education institutions, the region’s workforce development boards, and community and employer partners. For more information, visit [toreconnect.gov/](https://toreconnect.gov/)

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## Unique Neighborhoods and Infrastructure Information

Nashvillians often identify themselves by their neighborhood or their part of the community. VisitMusicCity.Com has compiled a description of each one of our unique neighborhoods to assist visitors in finding the perfect location to stay when one either rents an Airbnb or is looking for their forever home.

### The Gulch

Just south of downtown lies this once-abandoned industrial area that's undergone an urban revitalization in recent years sparking an intoxicating new energy. The exceedingly walkable LEED-certified community is teeming with boutique hotels, high-rise condos, instagrammable murals, shops, live music venues, breweries, and diverse culinary offerings spanning everything from biscuits and Nashville Hot Chicken to Detroit-style pizza, traditional ramen, and Indian food.

### Belmont/Hillsboro Village

Conveniently located near Vanderbilt and Belmont Universities, Hillsboro Village is a collection of shops, boutiques, and restaurants perfect for a day's stroll. Adjacent to Hillsboro Village is the Belmont area, which is home to Belmont University, a historic home, shops, and some great eating.

### West End/Elliston Place

The epicenter of West End is Centennial Park, one of Nashville's premier urban parks located adjacent to Vanderbilt University and home to a full-scale replica of the Parthenon in Greece. Just up the way is Elliston Place where some of the city's most storied rock clubs can be located – hence the microneighborhood's "Elliston Place Rock Block" nickname – as well as several eclectic dining options. Further south down West End is Belle Meade, a wealthy residential community known for its stately homes including two historic properties that can be toured by visitors: Belle Meade Plantation and Cheekwood Estate & Gardens.

### SoBro

The south side of downtown Nashville's Broadway is called SoBro. Unlike its neighbor North of Broadway up the hill, this area is known for all things new – the city's sprawling convention center, live music venues, major hotel brands, boutique properties, restaurants, bars, and even the just under 15-year-old Schermerhorn Symphony Center designed to look like it's been there for decades.

### Berry Hill

At first glance, Berry Hill looks like a purely residential neighborhood until you realize funky independent shops, restaurants, recording studios and music publishers occupy many of the homes. Technically its own city, Berry Hill is treated as a distinct neighborhood of Nashville and is located just south of Downtown beyond Eighth Avenue South.

### Germantown

Named for the European immigrants who first settled here in the mid-19th century, Germantown is a historic community on the National Register of Historic Places located just a few blocks northwest of downtown Nashville. The area is home to the Tennessee State Museum and Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park, local boutiques and many of Nashville's most critically-acclaimed restaurants making it a culinary destination in its own right.

### Green Hills

Considered one of the most desirable areas to live in Nashville, Green Hills is an affluent suburban enclave known for upscale brands and boutiques. Hidden within an inconspicuous strip mall is the famed Bluebird Cafe, home to both established and up-and-coming songwriters.

### Midtown/Vanderbilt

Sandwiched between downtown, Music Row, West End and Hillsboro Village is Midtown, an area adjacent to the prestigious Vanderbilt University. Here, students, music industry folks and business executives converge with visitors in the neighborhood's many chef-driven restaurants and bustling bars. Its walkability, multitude of hotel options and proximity to both downtown and other unique neighborhoods make it an exceptionally convenient area to stay in Nashville.

### Airport/Donelson

The Nashville International Airport isn't the only thing to experience in Donelson, located just 10 miles east of downtown. Diverse eateries and interesting attractions including Andrew Jackson's Hermitage, home of the 7th US president, can be found here and in the surrounding areas. Budget-friendly hotels abound within proximity of the airport, making it a convenient place to stay during a visit to Nashville.

### 8th Avenue/Melrose

Eighth Avenue and Melrose, just south of downtown and the Gulch, is home to some of the best antique shops in town. Refuel after digging for a one-of-a-kind find at one of the areas many budget-friendly corner cafes, chef-driven restaurants, and family-friendly eateries.

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## Downtown Nashville

The sound of Nashville reverberates from the city's downtown core where honky-tonks play world-class live music 365 days a year, historic buildings have been reimagined into music attractions, boutique hotels, art galleries, and chef-driven restaurants, and newly constructed hotels, eateries, music venues, and attractions pop up all over.

## 12South

A half-mile stretch along 12th Avenue South called the 12South neighborhood with a vintage clothing store on one end, a gourmet restaurant on the other, and many unique Nashville businesses in between. One of the most walkable neighborhoods in Nashville, 12South is a shopping and dining destination full of restaurants, coffee houses, bakeries, bars, and boutiques featuring local designers and makers.

## Opryland/Music Valley

Just ten miles east of downtown and seven miles north of the Nashville International Airport is Music Valley where world-class country music entertainment, family-friendly dining establishments, and bargain shopping can be found. This area is home to the Grand Ole Opry, Opry Mills shopping center, Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, SoundWaves, and some fantastic country-music themed attractions and restaurants.

## Wedgewood-Houston

Wedgewood-Houston "WeHo" neighborhood is located a few blocks south of downtown Nashville with borders defined by Houston Street to the north, Wedgewood Avenue to the south, Eighth Avenue South to the west and Fourth Avenue South/Nolensville Pike to the east. The proximity to downtown, relatively affordable rents and real estate prices, and the number of old warehouses, factories and garages have attracted artists, musicians and entrepreneurs to open restaurants, distilleries, breweries, galleries, studios and workshops in the area. Look for major growth in the years to come: Apple Music's Nashville office and a SoHo House Hotel are slated to open here soon.

## North Nashville

Located a few miles from downtown, North Nashville is a neighborhood steeped in rich history. Home to three historically black universities, Fisk University with its famed art galleries and Fisk Jubilee Singers, Meharry Medical College, and Tennessee State University, North Nashville has long been the hub of the city's black community. Jefferson Street is known for its musical past, once the epicenter of Nashville's thriving R&B and jazz scene. Today, visitors can explore the shops, bars, and restaurants lining Buchanan Street.

## Marathon Village

A cluster of buildings that formerly housed Marathon Motor Works in the early 1900's makes up the area known as Marathon Village just minutes from downtown. Today, a creative community of unique retail, business and entertainment facilities reside here, including a bourbon distillery, gourmet confectionary and Antique Archaeology, home base for the American Pickers show on the History Channel.

## Music Row/Demonbreun/Edgehill

This neighborhood is considered the heart of Nashville's entertainment industry. Nestled within homes and buildings are the recording studios from which your favorite songs came to be. Including everything from Elvis Presley's "How Great Thou Art" (recorded at Historic RCA Studio B) to Foo Fighters' "Congregation" (recorded at Southern Ground Nashville).

## East Nashville

Located across the Cumberland River from downtown Nashville is the stomping ground of Nashville's creative class, attracted to the area's culturally diverse and eclectic vibe and historic homes dating back to the early 1900s. In the early aughts, East Nashville helped put Nashville on the map as a culinary destination with beloved restaurants like Margot Cafe & Bar and Marche Artisan Foods, a reputation the neighborhood maintains today. Locals frequent the many dive bars, craft cocktail joints, coffee shops, and vintage stores sprinkled throughout the neighborhood.

## Sylvan Park

Southwest of downtown Nashville lies the quaint and quiet neighborhood of Sylvan Park, a largely residential area brimming with locally-owned restaurants, bars and shops that have stood the test of time. The neighborhood's main thoroughfare is Murphy Road that ends at McCabe Park where locals and visitors alike enjoy McCabe Golf Course and the surrounding Richland Creek Greenway. The Nations and West End neighborhoods flank either side of Sylvan Park.

(Source: visitmusiccity.com)



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To support our unique neighborhoods and industries, Metro Nashville/Davidson County offers different services depending on where a person resides. In the Urban Service District, residents receive more amenities which include curbside recycling, streetlights, and trash pickup. Those in the General Service District which is all of Davidson County receive assistance from the police and fire departments, access to recycling centers, and access to Piedmont Gas and the Nashville Electric Service.

### FY2020 Service Statistics

**Police** provides community-based police products to the public so they can experience a safe and peaceful Nashville.

Ratio of officers per 1,000 Population	2.03
Total calls for police services	928,515
# of calls – Field initiate by Dispatch	131,465
# of calls – Mobile/Laptop	338,358
# of calls - Emergency (Code 3)	130,642
# of calls - Non-emergency	326,060
# of calls – Other calls	1,990
Average Urgent call, proceed directly to scene * Use emergency equipment * Receive to arrive time in minutes	10.4
Average Urgent call, proceed directly to scene * No emergency equipment * Receive to arrive time in minutes	37.7
Average Routine call * Receive to arrive time in minutes	69.3

**Public Works** delivers a wide range of services that help define the quality of life for Nashville and Davidson County's residents, businesses and visitors by ensuring a safe and convenient complete streets transportation infrastructure; protecting the environment; and creating cleaner, beautiful, and more livable neighborhoods.

Roads Maintained (Lane Miles)	5,930
Signs In Metro	105,000
Streetlights	55,108
Curbside Recycling	11,053.89 tons
Household Hazardous Waste Collected	153.79 tons
Brush Collected	35,755.60 tons
Convenience Center Recycling	1,909.48 tons
Trash Collected	179,135.55

**Water, Sewer, and Stormwater** supplies, treats, manages, and protects our water resources in a sustainable manner for the benefit of all who live, work and play in our community.

Treated Water Source	Cumberland River
Daily Capacity	180,000,000 gal
Average Daily Water Deliver	90.34 MG
Peak Water Delivery was on 5.29.18	115.07 MG
Average Daily Wastewater Treatment	188.4 MG
Peak Wastewater Treatment was on 2.23.19	457 MG
Customer Bills Generated	2,572,363
Number of Calls Taken	668,458
Miles of Streets Swept	18,055

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**Fire Protection** provides high quality fire, medical, and rescue emergency responses and community support services to the citizens and visitors within Nashville and Davidson County, so they can work and reside in a community where an all-hazard response minimizes harm to life, property and environment

	General Service District	Urban Service District
Square miles covered	362	171
Number of Stations	10	29
Average Response Time (minutes)	7:35	6:07
Employees (full-time)	542.98	696.00
Total Incidents	22,297	94,044



**Piedmont Natural Gas Company** is a business unit of Duke Energy and the trusted natural gas provider for residential and business customers in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

Month	Residential Price (Monthly Charge)	Rate/Therm
January 2020	\$17.45	0.77165
April 2020	\$17.45	0.63336
July 2020	\$17.45	0.60461
October 2020	\$17.45	0.60461

**Nashville Electric Service** provides safe and reliable power to the city we call home.

Peak High for Fiscal Year 2020 (Winter): January 20,2020	2,160,955 kW
Peak High for Fiscal Year 2020 (Summer): August 13,2019	2,483,295 kW
Number of Customers	411,643
Millions of kWh Sold Residential	4,862
Millions of kWh Sold Small Commercial	791
Millions of kWh Sold Large Commercial	5,900
Square Miles of Service (Approximate)	700
Power Purchased from Tennessee Valley Authority	\$887,729

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## A Creative Community

Metro Nashville/Davidson County is home to many unique festivals, industries, and houses an impressive park system which has a replica of the Parthenon. Below you will find a few of the things that make Nashville so unique. For a complete listing of festivals, businesses, and industries, visit Nashville Chamber of Commerce's website (<https://www.nashvillechamber.com/>) or VisitMusicCity's website (<https://www.visitmusiccity.com/>).

### Creative Festivals

- **Hot Chicken Festival:** The annual Music City Hot Chicken Festival, created in 2007, brings together the local community and visitors to celebrate the uniquely-Nashville dish - Hot Chicken. The FREE event is held in East Park on July 4th each year and starts with the Fire Truck Parade through the streets of East Nashville.
  - Website: <http://hotchickenfestival.com>
- **Tomato Art Fest** is free to attend and wide open to the public. It is dedicated to uniting the community and its visiting guests for a day of inspired art, wacky contests, great live music, unique vendors, creative kids activities, favorite local food trucks, and is committed to ensuring that the fest is green in every possible aspect and maintains Nashville and community traditions.
  - Website: <https://www.tomatoartfest.com>
- **CMA Music Festival** is a four-day music festival centered on country music hosted each June by the Country Music Association in Nashville, Tennessee. Beginning in 1972 as Fan Fair, the event now draws over 400 artists and celebrities who hold autograph sessions and perform in concerts offered throughout the festival.
  - Website: <https://cmafest.com/>
- **The Rock 'n' Roll Nashville Marathon**, previously known as the Country Music Marathon, is an annual marathon, half marathon, and 5K run that has been held in Nashville, Tennessee, since 2000. The marathon is followed by an evening country music concert.
  - Website: <https://www.runrocknroll.com/nashville/>
- **The Nashville Film Festival (NashFilm)** is a globally-recognized non-profit organization and cultural event presenting the best in world cinema, American independent films and documentaries by veteran masters, up-and-coming directors, and first-time filmmakers. With Academy Award® qualifying status, the Nashville Film Festival celebrates innovation, music and the many voices of the human spirit through the art of film. Originally founded in 1969, the Nashville Film Festival is one of the first film festivals in the United States.
  - Website: <https://nashvillefilmfestival.org/>
- **Live On The Green** is a free outdoor concert series usually held on Thursdays in August. Presented by local radio station *WRLT* at Public Square Park in downtown Music City. The stage is always set up on the steps of the Plaza and the crowd gathers in the grassy area of Public Square Park to watch performances from local, regional, and national artists.
  - Website: <https://liveonthegreen.com>
- **Music City Brewer's Festival** is the Original Beer Fest in Nashville! Grab your friends, your pretzel necklace and get ready to sample from some of the best local, regional, national and imported breweries as well as a variety of seltzers and spirits! We have live music early, a DJ later and tons of fun and games throughout the day.
  - Website: <https://www.musiccitybrewersfest.com/>

### Creative Industries

- **Hatch Show Print** was established more than 140 years ago. The Hatch Show Print has designed custom prints and posters for every event, milestone, industry, and idea imaginable, from show posters and product packaging to celebratory keepsakes and simple save-the-dates.
  - Website: <https://hatchshowprint.com>
- **United Record Pressing** was founded as Southern Plastics. This business is a vinyl pressing plant located in Nashville, Tennessee, that has been in operation since 1949.
  - Website: <http://www.urpressing.com/>
- **The Cupcake Collection** is an invitation into the lives of the Francois family. They do their best to welcome all the customers like guest. After all, our bakery is housed right inside the family living room.
  - Website: <https://www.thecupcakecollection.com/>

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## Creative Music History

- **Ryman Auditorium:** When you walk through the doors of historic Ryman Auditorium, one thing becomes clear right away: this isn't just another nightly music venue, and it's so much more than a daytime tourist stop. This place is hallowed ground. This is the exact spot where bluegrass was born—where Johnny Cash met June Carter, where souls were saved, and a slice of history was nearly lost. It was right here that country music found an audience beyond its own back porch, and countless careers took off as deals were signed on napkins and paper scraps backstage. This is a building where anything is possible: a soul can find redemption, a crumbling building can find salvation, and an unknown kid with a guitar can find his or her name in lights.
  - Website: <https://ryman.com/>
- **The Grand Ole Opry:** The stage that showcases the past, present, and future of country music. For 95 years, the radio show has been the home to the art form's growth and change, from the first broadcast in the National Life Building on WSM's Barn Dance in 1925 to the move into the new Opry House in 1974, and now to audiences across the globe on Circle TV and host to the 55th Annual ACM Awards in 2020. The Opry remains the platform that connects artists and fans to the music they love.
  - Website: <https://www.opry.com/>
- **Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum:** This organization seeks to collect, preserve, and interpret the evolving history and traditions of country music. Through exhibits, publications, and educational programs, the museum teaches its diverse audiences about the enduring beauty and cultural importance of country music.
  - Website: <https://countrymusichalloffame.org/>
- **National Museum of African American Music:** This is the only museum dedicated to preserving and celebrating the many music genres created, influenced, and inspired by African Americans. The museum's expertly-curated collections will share the story of the American soundtrack by integrating history and interactive technology to bring the musical heroes of the past into the present.
  - Website: <https://nmaam.org/>
- **Tootsies Orchid Lounge:** A honky-tonk bar located in Nashville, Tennessee behind the Ryman Auditorium. Tootsie's has three stages that host live local talent each night covering modern day country music artists such as Jason Aldean, Taylor Swift, and other popular country music artists, as well as original work. Some of its early famous first customers were Willie Nelson, Patsy Cline, Mel Tillis, Kris Kristofferson, Waylon Jennings, Roger Miller and numerous others country musicians. According to [www.tootsies.net](http://www.tootsies.net), Willie Nelson received his first songwriting gig after singing at Tootsie's.
  - Website: <http://www.tootsies.net/>
- **The Johnny Cash Museum:** This establishment opened in April 2013 in Nashville, Tennessee, to honor the life and music of the country superstar often referred to as the "Man in Black." It houses the world's largest collection of Johnny Cash memorabilia and artifacts, including a stone wall taken from his lake house in Hendersonville, Tennessee, and is officially authorized by Cash's estate.
  - Website: <https://www.johnnycashmuseum.com/>
- **George Jones Museum:** Though temporarily closed due to the Nashville Christmas Bombing of 2020, the George Jones museum focuses on the man and legend of Country Music. George Jones had more country songs on the Billboard chart and more top 40 songs than any country artist in history. His influence is heard everyday through the biggest country music artists. Experience his legacy and see George Jones memorabilia up close and personal in one of Nashville's best museums. Watch performances, listen to some of his many hits, and immerse yourself in George's powerful story.
  - Website: <https://georgejones.com/museum/>
- **Printer's Alley:** A famous alley in a well-hidden corner of downtown. The alley takes its name from the early connection to the Nashville printing and publication industry. In the 1940's, the alley became a center of the city's nightclub and entertainment district through its reputation for late-night jazz music sessions and loose interpretation of the liquor laws of the period.
  - Website: <http://www.theprintersalley.com/>

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## Creative Community: Parks, Galleries, and History

Nashville's municipal park system was established in April of 1901. The first park in the system was Watkins Park. This was closely followed by the acquisition of Federal Park (grounds of the Customs House) and then Centennial park in 1902. In 1963 the first Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation was appointed in accordance with the Metro charter. The Metro charter authorizes this board to employ a director of parks and to supervise, control, and operate the park and reservation system of the metropolitan government.

### 282 Metro Parks

- Open to the Public 13,638 acres
- Land Banked 1,682 acres

### 11 Major Greenway Corridors

- Cumberland River Greenway
- Gulch Greenway
- Harpeth River Greenway
- Mill Creek Greenway
- Richland Creek Greenway
- Seven Mile Creek Greenway
- Stones River Greenway
- Whites Creek Greenway
- 440 Greenway
- Browns Creek Greenway
- Charlotte Corridor Rail with Trail Greenway

### Areas of Key Interest

- Parthenon Museum
- Two Rivers Mansion
- Centennial Art Center and Gallery
- Centennial Performing Arts Studios
- Warner Park Nature Center
- Wave Country Water Park
- Fort Negley Visitors' Center and Historic Site
- Shelby Bottoms Nature Center in Shelby Bottoms Park
- Beaman Nature Center in Beaman Park
- Bells Bend Outdoor Center
- Warner Equestrian Center in Percy Warner Park
- Stone Hall Historic Site
- Cross Country Running Courses in Percy Warner and Shelby Parks
- Looby Theater
- Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina
- Fort Nashborough Historic Site
- Fair Park
- Nashville Zoo
- Ascend Amphitheater
- Nissan Stadium parking lots
- Music Row median and roundabout
- 5th Ave Streetscape
- Deaderick Streetscape
- Church Street Streetscape

### Our Facilities Include

- 155 Playgrounds
- 100 miles of Greenway Trails – paved
- 96.5 miles Primitive/Hiking Trails
- 21 miles Horse Trails
- 36 miles Mountain Bike Trails
- 7 Golf Courses
- 10 Swimming pools
- 17 Neighborhood Community Centers
- 10 Regional Community Centers
- 3 Senior Centers
- 4 Water Spray Parks (with Azafran jets)
- 2 Skate Parks (Two Rivers & Una Park)
- 9 Dog Parks (off leash)
- 83 Baseball/Softball fields (in parks)
- 109 Multi-use Soccer/Football fields
- 101 Tennis Courts
- 37 Basketball Courts
- 118 Picnic Shelters (60 Reservable)
- 5 Sand Volleyball
- 3 Cricket
- 6 Boat Ramps
- 15 Canoe/Kayak Access Sites
- 26 Public Art Installations (outdoors in parks)
- 3 Model Airplane Flying Fields
- 5 Frisbee Disc Golf Courses
- 1,200 Street Trees




### Centennial Sportsplex

- 2 Ice Rinks
- 1 Fitness Center
- 2 Swimming Pools
- 13 Outdoor Tennis Courts
- 8 Outdoor Youth Tennis Courts
- 4 Indoor Tennis Courts (full size)

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When thinking about how “Strength” and “Creativity” found a foothold in Music City, there are many other aspects for visitors and residents to view. Below you will find a few of points of interest that are often visited during the months of April and October when Music City comes to life with a variety of outdoor events and attractions.

Galleries & Museums include:

- **Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art** is a 55-acre botanical garden and historic estate in Nashville, featuring art galleries, seasonal festivals, and breathtaking wedding venues.
  - Website: <http://www.cheekwood.org>
- **Fisk University Galleries** maintains a permanent collection of over 4,000 objects that span three centuries of art history. Paul Cezanne, Pablo Picasso, Alexander Calder, Georgia O’Keefe, and Alfred Stieglitz are just a few of the acclaimed artists represented in the collection. A Bible presented to President Abraham Lincoln by free black of Baltimore in 1864 is in the Special Collection.
  - Website: <https://www.fisk.edu/galleries>
- **Frist Art Museum** hosts touring exhibitions from some of the most prestigious collections in the world, as well as award-winning shows organized in-house.
  - Website: <http://www.fristcenter.org>
- **Adventure Science Center** is a 44,000 square foot science and technology center featuring more than 175 hands-on exhibits focused on biology, astronomy, physics, earth science, weather, and space. Its non-profit dedicated to delivering dynamic learning experiences that open minds to the wonders of science and technology.
  - Website: <http://adventuresci.org>
- **The Parthenon** is a full-scale replica of the original Parthenon in Athens, Greece. It was designed by architect William Crawford Smith and built in 1897 as part of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition. The plaster replicas of the Parthenon Marbles found in the Naos are direct casts of the original sculptures, which adorned the pediments of the Athenian Parthenon dating back to 438 B.C. The originals of these powerful fragments are housed in the British Museum in London. The Parthenon also serves as Nashville's art museum. The focus of the Parthenon's permanent collection is a group of 63 paintings by 19th and 20th century American artists donated by James M. Cowan.
  - Website: <http://www.nashville.gov/Parks-and-Recreation/Parthenon.aspx>
- **Tennessee Performing Arts Center** is a nonprofit organization dedicated to leading with excellence in the performing arts and arts education, creating meaningful and relevant experiences to enrich lives, strengthen communities, and support economic vitality. Its three performance halls are named after the three U.S. Presidents that hailed from Tennessee. The Center is home to The Nashville Ballet, The Nashville Opera, and The Tennessee Repertory Theatre. In addition to its operations, the Center hosts a series of touring Broadway shows and special engagements.
  - Website: <http://www.tpac.org>
- **Tennessee State Museum** is a 137,000-square-foot building includes a Tennessee Time Tunnel chronicling the state's history by leading visitors through the museum's permanent collection, a hands-on children's gallery, six rotating galleries, a digital learning center, and a two-story Grand Hall. Exhibitions include significant artifacts related to the state's history, along with displays of art, furniture, textiles, and photographs produced by Tennesseans. The museum's Civil War holdings consists of uniforms, battle flags, and weapons.
  - Website: <http://www.tnmuseum.org>

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Historic sites in or near Nashville include:

- **The Battle of Nashville/Fort Negley** features exhibits, monthly activities, annual events and self-guided tours of Fort Negley Park. As the largest inland stone-fortification built during the Civil War, Fort Negley stood as the centerpiece of Union occupation of Nashville. The 4,605-square-foot, \$1 million facility includes a small multipurpose theater, exhibit space, meeting room, staff spaces, public restrooms, and an outdoor plaza. Admission to Fort Negley is free.
  - Website: <http://www.bonps.org/fort-negley>
- **Belle Meade Plantation** is a historic mansion that is now operated as an attraction dedicated to the preservation of Tennessee's history, architecture, hospitality, and equestrian legacy. Guests can enjoy Historic Tours, Family Tours, Wine & Food Pairings, Bourbon Tastings, and Chef-Inspired Food & Wine Pairings.
  - Website: <http://www.bellemeadeplantation.com>
- **The Hermitage** was the home of Andrew Jackson, our nation's 7<sup>th</sup> President. From Jackson's initial purchase and major remodeling through a devastating fire and restoration, the mansion has endured to be visited by millions today.
  - Website: <http://www.thehermitage.com>
- **Travelers Rest** is the oldest historic house museum open to the public in Nashville. Our primary mission is history education and we serve more than 12,000 children and adult visitors each year. Our programs and events cover 1,000 years of history, from Mississippian period Native American settlement through the 19th century using the cultural resources John Overton's 1799 home.
  - Website: <http://www.travellersrestplantation.org>

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