



# Town of Wake Forest

North Carolina

## A COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

Wake Forest, North Carolina  
Wake County  
Population: 30,000  
[www.wakeforestnc.gov](http://www.wakeforestnc.gov)

### Location

Wake Forest enjoys the conveniences of the Triangle metropolitan area while maintaining the charm of a small town. Residents have easy access to amenities in Raleigh, Durham and Chapel Hill (known as the Triangle).

Centrally located between the Blue Ridge Mountains in the west and the beaches in the east, Wake Forest offers the best of both worlds.

The Research Triangle Park, the first planned research park of its kind in the U.S., features cutting-edge technology and state-of-the-art engineering. Nearby Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) offers direct access to national and world destinations.

### Climate

With about 220 sunny days a year, the Triangle enjoys a pleasant four-season climate. An average snowfall of 7.5 inches temporarily transforms the rolling hills of the Triangle into a short-lived winter wonderland. Balmy summer days, with average temperatures in the mid-to-high 80s, sends residents packing for the lakes and beaches.

### Culture

The region's international flavor and rich heritage comes to life in its cultural and historical attractions. From the North Carolina Symphony and Broadway-style theatrical performances to the state's museums of art, history and natural sciences, as well as professional hockey, minor league baseball, arena football and Atlantic Coast Conference college basketball, the Triangle is living proof that "variety is the spice of life."

Throughout the year, one can always find something to do. Whether it's experiencing the American Dance Festival, browsing the farmers market, attending Wake Forest's "Six Sundays in Spring" or the "Meet in the Street" festival that draws over 10,000 residents to the downtown area, or simply enjoying the NC State Fair, your calendar can easily be filled with things to do.

### Education

Local leaders know that knowledge is power. The Triangle offers traditional public schools, magnet schools, as well as private and charter schools.

As for colleges and universities, the Triangle ranks at the top of the class in several degree programs at nationally acclaimed Duke University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina State University.

### History

The Wake Forest Historic District is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Undeneath a canopy of leaves, picturesque homes line the town's Main Street. It was here that Wake Forest University first set its roots in 1834, at the time calling itself Wake Forest College. The college moved to Winston-Salem in 1956 leaving the campus to its current occupants – Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Today, downtown Wake Forest is enjoying a renaissance of arts and entertainment.

### Labor

Ranked by *Fortune* magazine as the number one region to find knowledgeable workers, one-third of the Triangle's population, 25 and older, hold bachelor's degrees or higher. Meanwhile, the manufacturing sector employs more than 80,000 workers skilled in producing computers, medical devices, food products, communication and electrical equipment, precision fabricated metal products and industrial machinery.



### Recreation

The Triangle places you right in the middle of the action from the mountains to the coast. In the winter, hit any of the state's nine ski resorts. During the summer, cool down by the region's recreational lakes ideal for swimming, fishing and boating.

Surrounded by thousands of acres of natural parks, golf courses and greenways, the opportunities for outdoor recreation are limitless.

Just moments away, Falls Lake State Recreation Area offers a 12,000-acre lake and 26,000 acres of woodlands. Fishing, boating and swimming are only a few of the activities awaiting you on the water. On land, you can enjoy hiking, mountain biking or camping along a portion of the state's Mountains-to-Sea Trail.

The Town of Wake Forest has a growing network of greenways which link to the extensive Capital Area Greenway System.

### Healthcare

Excellent healthcare and wellness services are available to Triangle residents. The region is served by WakeMed, Rex Healthcare, UNC Health Care and Duke Medicine. These award-winning providers offer top-notch options in hospitals and state-of-the-art treatment centers.

**Town of Wake Forest**

www.wakeforestnc.gov  
Wake Forest Town Hall  
301 S. Brooks St.  
919-435-9400

**Wake Forest Area  
Chamber of Commerce**  
www.wakeforestchamber.org  
350 S. White St.  
919-556-1519

**Wake Forest Downtown  
Revitalization Corporation**  
www.wakeforestdowntown.com  
919-435-9415

**Getting Started****CABLE TELEVISION**

**Time Warner Cable**  
www.timewarnercable.com  
919-595-4892

**DRIVER INFORMATION**

**Driver's License Office**  
2431 Spring Forest Rd., Ste.  
101, Raleigh  
www.ncdot.gov  
919-855-6877

**License Plate Agency**  
2012 S. Main St.  
919-554-0770

**ELECTRIC**

**Wake Forest Power**  
www.wakeforestnc.gov/  
customerservice2.aspx  
919-435-9400

**Duke Energy Progress**  
www.progress-energy.com  
800-452-2777

**Wake Electric**  
www.wemc.com  
919-863-6300

**GAS & OIL**

**Holding Oil Company**  
919-556-3604

**Little River Corporation**  
919-556-1111

**McCracken Propane**  
919-556-5161

**NATURAL GAS**

**PSNC Energy**  
www.psnenergy.com  
877-776-2427

**NEWSPAPERS**

**News & Observer**  
www.newsobserver.com  
919-829-4500

**Wake Forest Gazette**  
www.wakeforestgazette.com  
919-556-3409

**Wake Forest Weekly**  
www.wakeweekly.com  
919-556-3182

**PARKS & RECREATION**

**Wake Forest Parks &  
Recreation**  
www.wakeforestnc.gov/  
parksrecreation.aspx  
919-435-9560

**TELEPHONE**

**CenturyLink**  
www.centurylink.com  
919-556-0080

**Windstream  
Communications**  
www.windstream.com  
800-230-2575

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Wake Forest Bus Service**  
www.wakeforestnc.gov/  
busservice.aspx

**Regional Bus Service**  
www.GoTriangle.org

**TRASH COLLECTION**

**Town of Wake Forest**  
www.wakeforestnc.gov  
919-435-9570

*Yard Waste Collection*  
**Town of Wake Forest**  
919-435-9570

*Trash & Recycling*  
**Republic Waste Services**  
(residential contractor)  
919-772-1316

**Waste Industries** (commercial  
contractor)  
919-662-7100

**VOTER INFORMATION**

**Wake County Board of  
Elections**  
www.wakegov.com  
919-856-6240

**WATER/SEWER**

**City of Raleigh**  
www.raleighnc.gov  
919-890-3245

**Public Services**

**Northern Regional Center**  
*Health & Social Services*  
www.wakegov.com  
350 E. Holding Ave.  
919-562-6300

**Northern Wake Senior  
Center**  
*Programming for Ages 55+*  
www.wakeforestnc.gov/north-  
ern-wake-senior-center.aspx  
919-554-4111

**PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Wake Forest Community  
Library**  
www.wakegov.com  
400 E. Holding Ave.  
919-554-8498

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**Wake County Public Schools  
(K-12)**  
www.wcpss.net  
919-431-7400

**Wake Tech Community  
College**  
www.waketech.edu  
919-866-5000

**University of North Carolina**  
*Multi-Campus University*  
www.northcarolina.edu

**US POSTAL SERVICE**

**Wake Forest Post Office**  
224 E. Holding Ave.  
919-556-8421

**Post Office at Gateway  
Commons Center**  
910 Gateway Commons Center  
(located inside Ace Hardware)  
919-554-4656

**Medical Centers**

**Duke Raleigh Hospital**  
www.dukeraleighhospital.org  
www.dukemedicine.org  
3400 Wake Forest Rd., Raleigh  
919-954-3000

**Duke University Hospital  
and Duke Children's  
Hospital & Health Center**  
www.dukehealth.org  
2301 Erwin Rd., Durham  
919-668-4000

**Novant Health Franklin  
Medical Center**  
www.franklinregional.org  
100 Hospital Dr., Louisburg  
919-496-5131

**Rex Hospital**  
www.rexhealth.com  
4420 Lake Boone Tr., Raleigh  
919-784-3100

**Rex Healthcare of Wakefield**  
www.rexhealth.com  
11200 Governor Manly Way,  
Raleigh  
919-570-7500

**UNC Hospitals**  
www.unchealthcare.org  
101 Manning Dr., Chapel Hill  
919-966-4131

**WakeMed North Healthplex**  
www.wakemed.org  
10000 Falls of Neuse Rd.,  
Raleigh  
919-350-1300

**WakeMed – Raleigh Campus**  
www.wakemed.org  
3000 New Bern Ave., Raleigh  
919-350-8000



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