

Farmington

In Farmington, a unique spirit of cooperation among local elected officials, city staff and community volunteers contribute to preserve a rich history and hometown traditions. Downtown Farmington is the commercial anchor for the entire greater Farmington area. With thriving retail shopping, restaurants and a historic theater owned and operated by the City, Farmington's downtown is the place in southern Oakland County to shop, dine and be entertained – all within walking distance of convenient downtown parking.

A wide variety of social and community-oriented activities such as the Founders Festival, the Evening Concert Series, the Farmers' Market, and the Winter Fun and Summer Fun Series are presented through cooperative public-private sponsorships organized by the Downtown Development Authority.

Farmington Public Schools offer a comprehensive program from preschool through grade 12 that meets the needs of all children. The District maintains a core curriculum which meets or exceeds state and national standards and offers a full complement of fine arts, extracurricular and athletic programs.

ADDENDUM

Area: 2.6 square miles.

Economic Base: Residential with significant retail and commercial/office.

Government: Council with City Manager.

Housing: \$235,000

Income: \$75,578

Library: Farmington Community Branch, (248) 553-0300, www.farmlib.org.

Local Newspaper: *Farmington Observer*, www.hometownlife.com.

Location: Approximately 40 minutes northwest of Detroit off M-5, Grand River Ave. runs through the city.

Medical Services: Botsford General Hospital-Osteopathic in Farmington Hills, University of Michigan Middlebelt Pediatrics (see *Health Care*).

Parks and Recreation: Historic Governor Warner Mansion & Gardens, 5 neighborhood parks and a "vest-pocket park" downtown, Shiawassee Park, Kids World Playscape.

Population: 10,314

Post Office: 23332 Farmington Road, 800-ASK-USPS.

Protection: Full time police and fire.

Schools: Farmington Public Schools (see *Public School chart*).

Tax Rates (per \$1,000 taxable value): Farmington homestead 43.3560, non-homestead 52.1352.

Transportation: SMART bus provides fixed route and park and ride service, www.smartbus.org. Farmington Hills Senior Center provides door to door service, three day notice required, (248) 473-1864.

Utilities: Consumers Energy (gas), DTE Energy (electric), AT&T (phone), Bright House Networks (cable), City of Detroit water and sewer.

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Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce

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Novi

The City of Novi was formed in 1969 with a population of approximately 9,500 people. Novi, now over 50,000 people, has had many national and local recognitions of hometown achievements. They include a fantastic school system and a community that inspires "involvement."

Proud of the quality of neighborhoods, the City takes great care to serve effectively through communication and commitment to essential services. Novi has a master plan for the use of land and a department of Parks Recreation and Forestry providing a wide variety of programs and events.

ADDENDUM

Area: 31 square miles.

Economic Base: Diversified base with residential and significant retail, high-tech and industrial areas.

Government: Council and City Manager.

Housing: \$261,000

Income: \$112,000

Library: Novi Public Library, (248) 349-0720, www.novi.lib.mi.us.

Local Newspaper: *Novi News*, www.hometownlife.com.

Location: Southwest Oakland County in loop of I-275, I-696 and I-96.

Medical Services: Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills, U of M Health Systems in Ann Arbor, St. Mary Mercy in Livonia (see *Health Care*).

Parks and Recreation: Community Sports Park with 73 acres and a wide variety of amenities; Lakeshore Park offers beach and concession stand, mountain bike trails, softball, tennis, sand volleyball; numerous summer camps for all ages and community events. Novi Ice Arena, www.noviicearena.com.

Population: 53,724

Post Office: 24875 Novi Road, Novi, (248) 478-7854

Protection: Full time police and firemen.

Schools: Novi Community School District, Walled Lake Consolidated Schools, Northville Public Schools, South Lyon School District (see *Public School chart*).

Tax Rates (per \$1,000 taxable value): Novi homestead 38.0728, non-homestead 52.5066; Northville homestead 31.3987, non-homestead 49.3987; South Lyon homestead 34.6411, non-homestead 52.6411; Walled Lake homestead 33.0386, non-homestead 49.3987.

Utilities: Consumers Energy (gas), DTE Energy (electric), AT&T (phone), Bright House Networks (cable), City of Detroit water and sewer.

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Novi Chamber of Commerce

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Northville

Northville straddles the border of Wayne and Oakland counties. See Northville community profile on page 41 of Wayne County.

