

Community

Recreation: Skyline Drive, Blue Ridge Parkway, Shenandoah National Park, Washington-Jefferson National Forest, Appalachian Trail, Natural Chimneys & Grand Cavern Regional Parks, and Massanutten Resort. Local parks and recreation programs, golf and tennis courts, swimming pools and ball fields are abundant.

Culture and Attractions: Hardesty-Higgins House, Court Square Theater, Virginia Quilt Museum, Dayton Farmers' Market, Green Valley Book Fair, Harrisonburg Children's Museum, Fort Harrison House, Shenandoah Heritage Farmers' Market, and the New Market Battlefield. Local colleges and universities sponsor lectures, concerts, art exhibits, and athletic events in addition to housing museums, planetariums and observatories.

Events: Rockingham County Fair, Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale, Shenandoah Valley Bach Festival, Dayton Days, Tour of Shenandoah Bike Race, and ValleyFest are just a few of the region's many events.

Colleges: Regional schools include James Madison University, Eastern Mennonite University, Bridgewater College, Blue Ridge Community College, National College of Business & Technology. Washington and Lee University, Virginia Military Institute, Southern Virginia University, Mary Baldwin College, Dabney S. Lancaster Community College, Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia are nearby.

Media: The Daily News-Record (Harrisonburg) and four local, weekly, or monthly newspapers are available locally, along with regional and national papers. Fourteen local radio stations including one regional public radio station, as well as one regional television station and one public television are available in the region.

Civic and Religious: More than 100 churches representing most denominations are active in the region. Many civic groups dedicated to public service provide community service.

Healthcare: Rockingham Memorial Hospital provides excellent healthcare services.