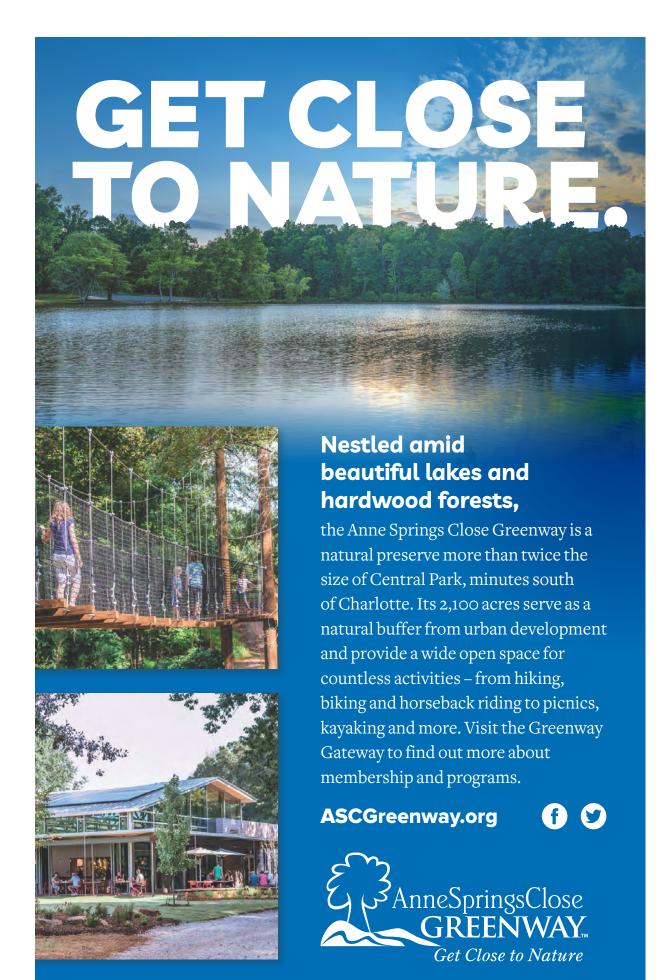


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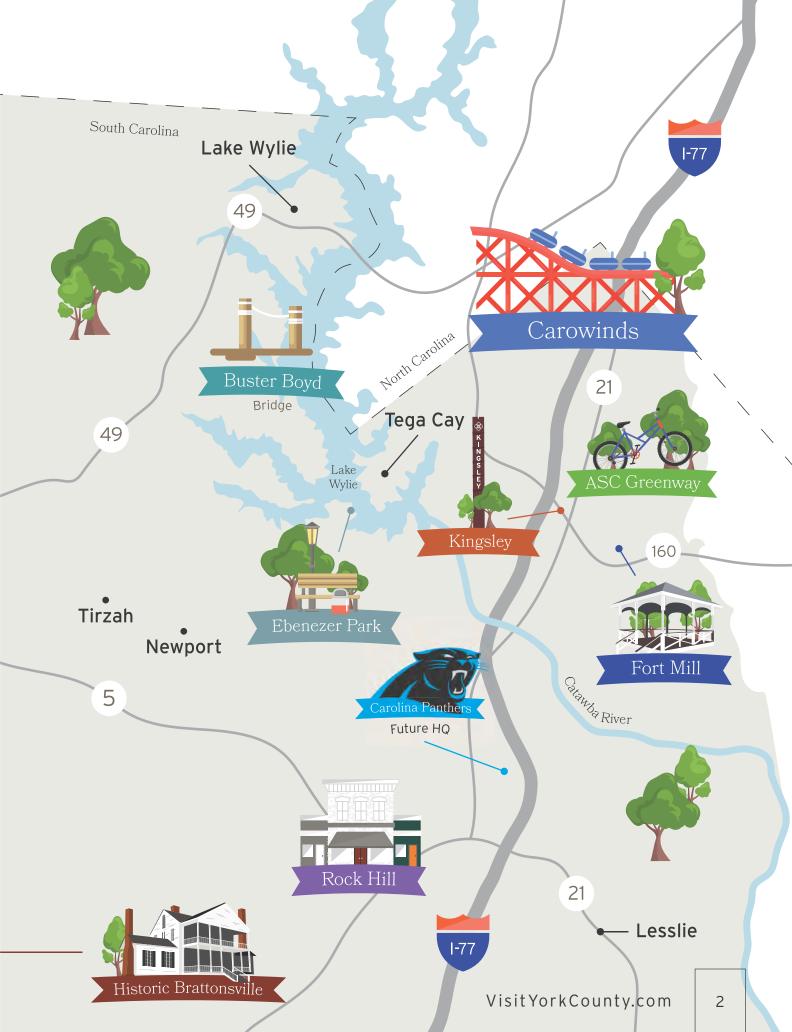
### South Carolina

Just thirty minutes south of Charlotte, **York County** offers an adventurous, affordable, authentically Southern experience. Enjoy exploring as you discover York County's big-city amenities and hidden gems that will make your visit unforgettable!



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# Spring

Looking for the first signs of Spring? You'll find it at **Glencairn Garden**. This backyard garden turned into an 11-acre park will come to life with blooming azaleas. Just as the color pops, festivals will follow. Mark your calendars for the ten-day **Come-See-Me Festival** in Rock Hill and the **South Carolina Strawberry Festival** in Fort Mill! Speaking of strawberries, don't miss pick-your-own season for the best of nature's candy.

# Summer

Slide into summer at 95 miles per hour on the Fury 325 at Carowinds. Looking to hit the water? Explore Lake Wylie at Ebenezer Park, casually tube down the Catawba River or try your hand at wakeboarding through SouthTown Wake Park! Take in the taste of Summer through our farms during peach season on the Ag + Art Tour of York County.

# Fall

If fall was a food, it would be Windy Hill Orchard & Cidery's apple cider donuts. Our farms come to life with pumpkin picking, hayrides, and apple picking. Pack your dirndl and discs when you visit in the fall, you'll be kept busy by our cities' many Oktoberfests and the US Disc Golf Championship at Winthrop University.

# Winter

With mild winter temperatures, the fun doesn't have to stop.
December holds all of the holiday wonder, with Rock Hill transforming into a Hallmark style town with ChristmasVille!
Don't miss the Lake Wylie Boat Parade or Christmas traditions dating back to the 1800's at Historic Brattonsville.





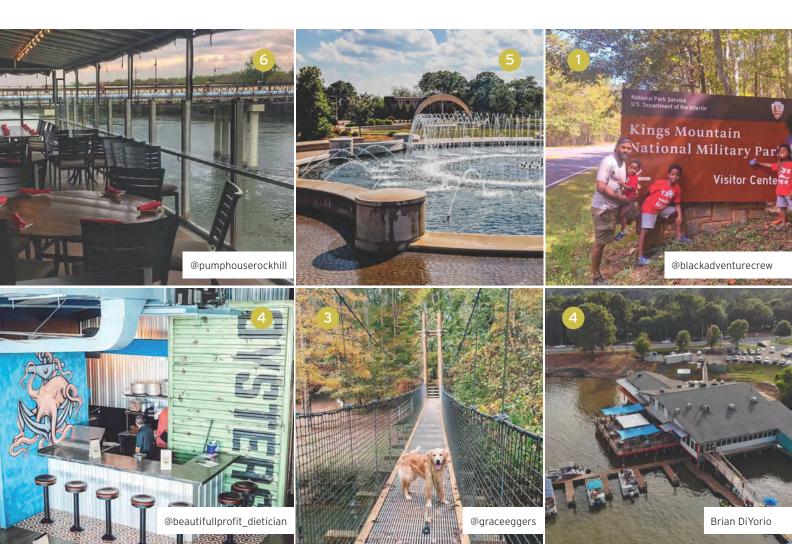
# Instagrammable #VisitYorkCounty

Looking for the perfect shot for the 'gram?

These locations across York County are sure to have your friends hit the like button on repeat. Don't forget to share your experience using the hashtag #VisitYorkCounty.

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- 2 Draper Wildlife Management 1080 Brattonsville Road McConnells
- 3 Anne Springs Close Greenway 2573 Lake Haigler Drive Fort Mill

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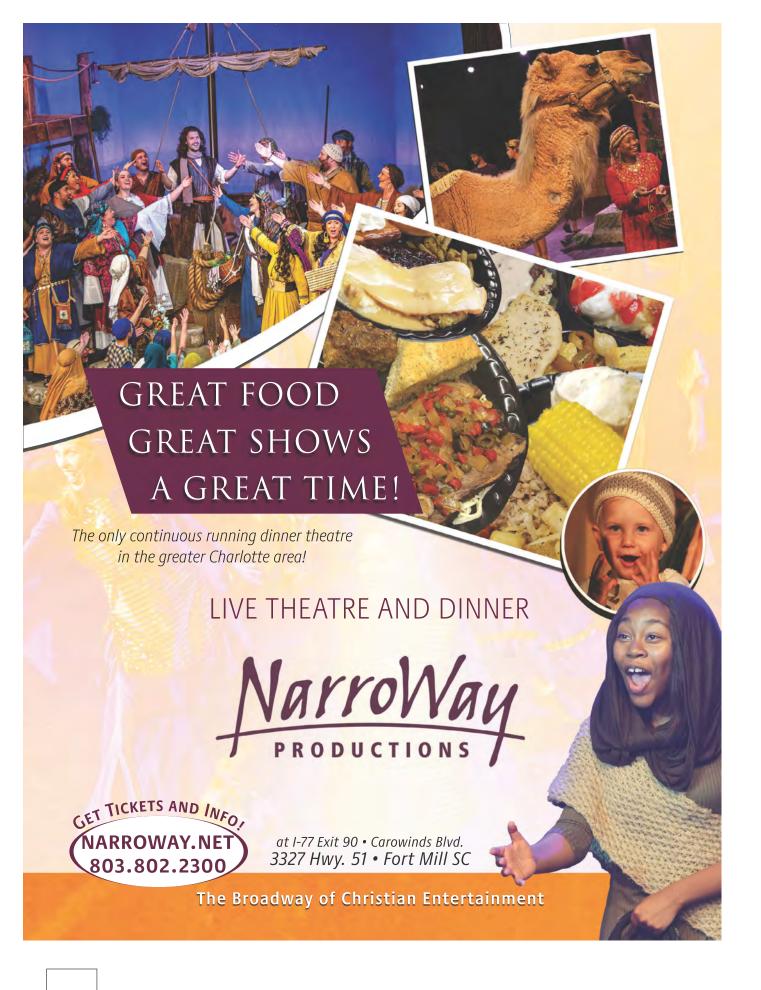
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# Biking

Adventure on two wheels takes on a whole new meaning in Rock Hill. The Rock Hill Outdoor Center (1000 Riverwalk Parkway, Rock Hill) is home to several disciplines of biking including the Criterium

Course, Mountain Bike Trails, Rock Hill Velodrome and the Rock Hill BMX Supercross Track which will host the 2024 UCI BMX World Championships. Visit bikerockhill. com to plan your cycling trip.







# The Cornhole Capital of America

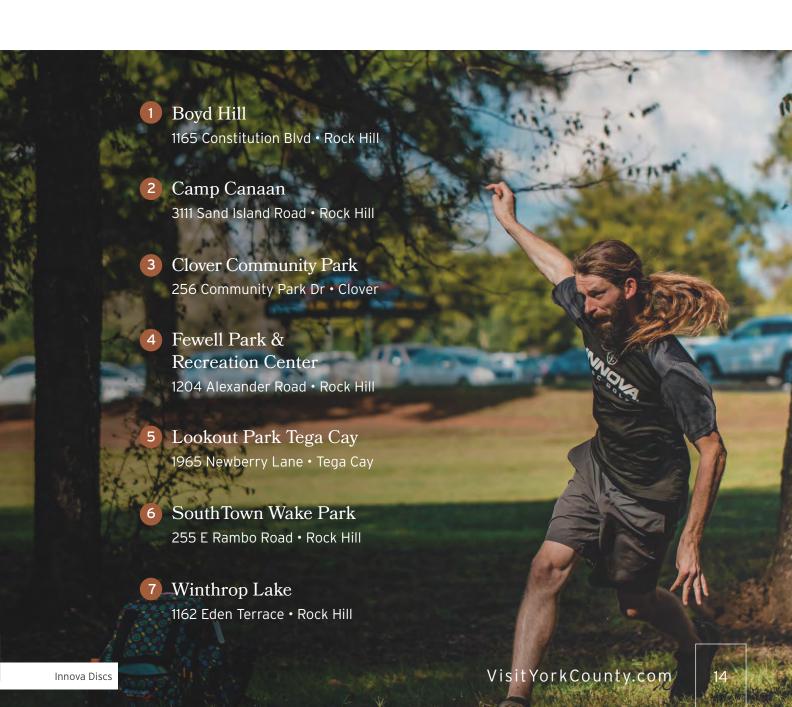
Throwing bags at cornhole boards isn't just for your backyard picnic.

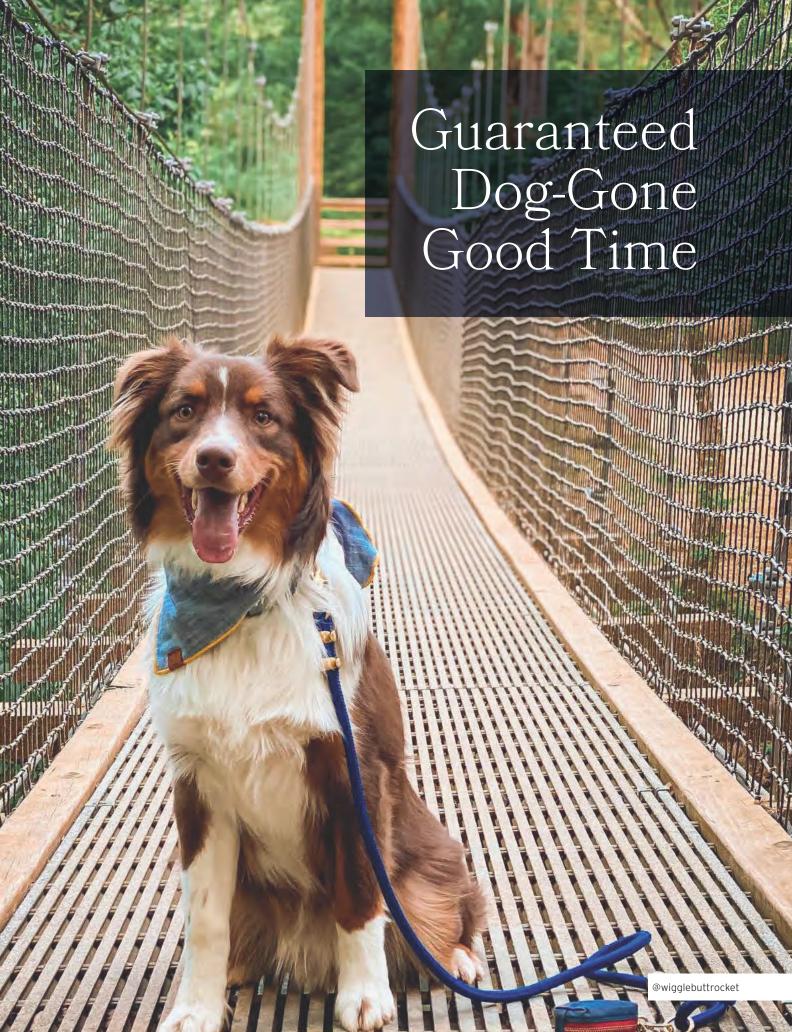
This is a serious sport and the 
American Cornhole League's 
headquarters are in the heart of Rock 
Hill. The annual World Championships

will be held at the Rock Hill Sports & Event Center and featured on national television. You can start training now at their headquarters by renting lanes and bags 7 days a week. The headquarters also offers drinks and other games.

# Disc Golf

Rock Hill has been home to the **United States Disc Golf Championship** for 25 years. Their annual course at Winthrop University is basically the Augusta National of Disc Golf. Thousands of people from all over the world descend on Rock Hill each October to watch these professionals battle it out, but you can play on these courses anytime.









# Day One

Start the day off at the Anne Springs Close Greenway to explore nature!

After, head to Main Street in downtown Fort Mill. Stop at **Hobo's** to enjoy a burger while in a perfect fenced green space.

Wind down for the evening at one of York County's breweries on the **YoCo Brew Trail**. With 12 craft breweries to choose from that all have dog friendly patios, you can't go wrong.

### Day Two

Kick off the day at **Knowledge Perk Coffee** in Rock Hill, where you can grab a puppaccino for your furry friend, then venture down the street to the **Mercantile HQ** and shop to 'til you drop at this local indie shop.

Stop in for lunch at Millstone Pizza and chill out on their outdoor patio. After lunch, make your way to SouthTown Wake Park. Bring your best friend along as you learn to cable wakeboard or try your hand at disc golf.

Finally, head to York and pamper your pup at unique boutique **Dogma and Fetch**. Pack up some treats and head down the road to **Windy Hill Orchard & Cidery** to hang out and try a cider flight and their famous apple cider donuts.

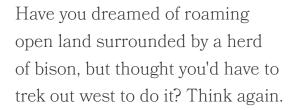
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With 28 dog friendly hotel options, there's plenty of perfect rooms to choose for you and your four-legged best friend!





# Tatanka Bison Ranch



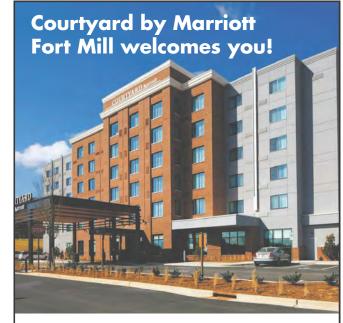
A short 20-minute drive from Rock Hill, South Carolina and you're on the **Tatanka Bison Ranch**. Home to 215 acres and more than 50 bison, this working ranch not only houses these majestic creatures, but also serves as an educational piece to a native species to York County.

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- 6 Red's Grill
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- 9 Sonny's Dutch Mill 550 N Anderson Road • Rock Hill
- Victoria's Diner
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# All About the 'Cue

It's no secret that the South is home to some of the best barbecue in the country. Although we could sit and argue about the right sauce, side dishes and how-to's all day long. Check out these York County spots that are serving up the perfect 'cue.

Dixie Pig

2007 Celanese Road • Rock Hil

The Improper Pig

204 Main Street • Fort Mill

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Chef Marketa Appiah's signature menu is simply inspired by fresh, local produce and high quality ingredients. Baxter Town Center's beloved Fish Market Bar & Grill showcases a lush variety of entrees from both the land and the sea.





# Taco Molino

1328 Broadcloth Sreet #102 Fort Mill • South Carolina

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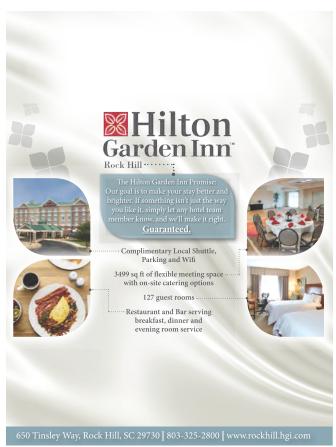
# The Flipside Restaurant

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359 Hands Mill Hwy • Rock Hill

Lake Wylie Brewing
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# Breweries



Legal Remedy Brewing
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Replay Brewing
1317 Broadcloth Street • Fort Mill

Rock Hill Brewing

121 Caldwell Street • Rock Hill

Slow Play Brewing 274 Columbia Avenue • Rock Hill

# Bring it Home

Check out these bottle shops to try the Carolina craft beer scene at home.

#### Common Market

161 W Main Street • Rock Hill

#### Grapevine

1012 Market Street • Fort Mill 829 Terrace Park, Suite 104 • Rock Hill 108 North Congress Street • York

#### Main Street Bottle Shop

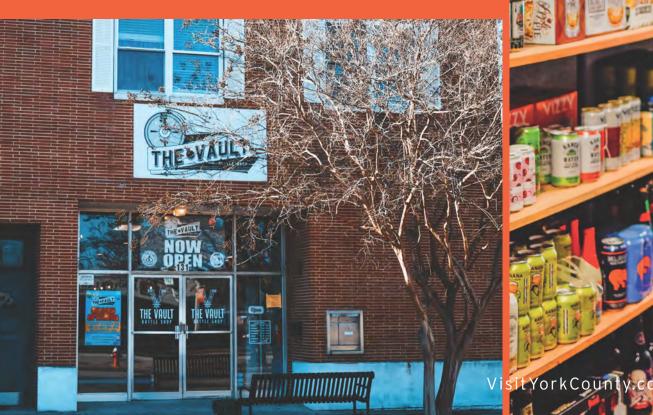
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#### Tipsy Bottle

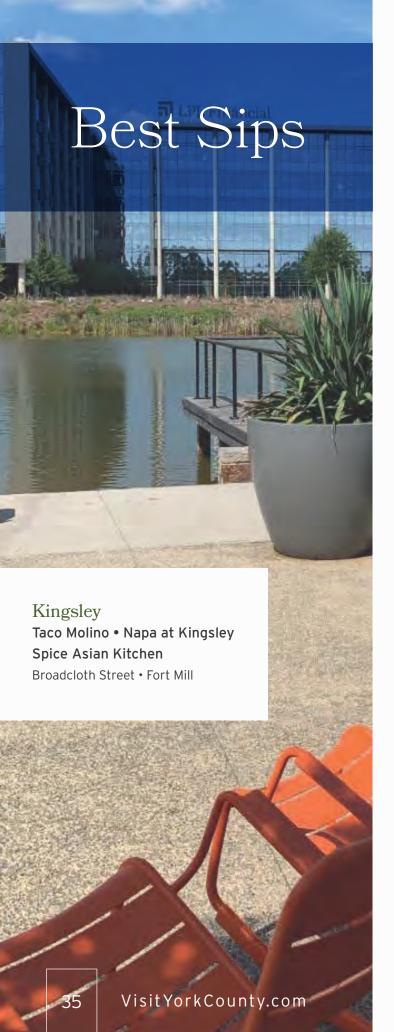
1504 Carolina Place Drive • Fort Mill

#### The Vault Bottle Shop

131 N Main Street • Clover







Relax and unwind with a custom craft cocktail or a glass of wine. Here's some of the best places across York County to find the sip you're looking for!

# Fort Mill and Tega Cay

Emmett's Social Table
100 Main Street • Fort Mill

Improper Pig
204 Main Street • Fort Mill

Local Dish
217 Main Street • Fort Mill

Lucky Duck
993 Market Street • Fort Mill

Model A Brewing
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The Shore Club
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Fish Market Bar & Grill 990 Market Street • Fort Mill

#### York

#### Hoof & Barrel

122 North Congress Street • York

#### Garden Cafe

307 W Liberty Street • York

#### SoCo Grille

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#### Rock Hill

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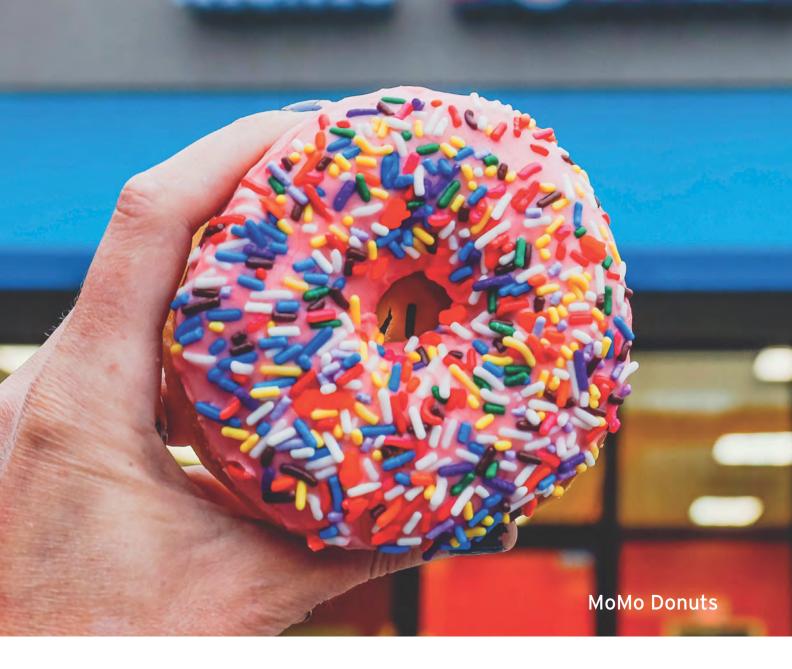
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  130 W White Street Rock Hill
- 4 Mado Paris Bakery & Café 1108 Cherry Road • Rock Hill
- 5 Virgin Bean Coffee Bar & Creamery 204 S Main Street Clover

- Olive's Mud Puddle
  229 Main Street Fort Mill
- Green Room Café
  3312 US -21N Fort Mill
- 8 Two Scoops
  161 W Main Street, Suite 102 Rock Hill
- Greenhouse Coffee17 N Congress Street York
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# Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth

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#### Donuts

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MoMo Donuts 636 Crown Pointe Ln Rock Hill

Rise 'N Shine Doughnut Café 1807 Cherry Rd Rock Hill

Rainbow Donuts 602 W Liberty St York

Sweet Dough 400 N Dobys Bridge Rd Fort Mill

#### Ice Cream

PW's Gourmet Ice Cream 491 S Herlong Avenue Rock Hill

Two Scoops
Creamery
161 W Main Street
Rock Hill

#### Ice Cream

Scoops 1 N Roosevelt St York

Scoops 113 N Main St Clover

## Specialty Bakeries

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Chocolat Boutique 1012 Market St Fort Mill

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Amelie's French Bakery 157 E Main St Rock Hill

Eagle's Nest Cookies 507 N Main St Clover

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# Fun on the Farm

Walk among the blooming peach trees, pick fresh strawberries, or get lost in a corn maze.

York County's buzzing agriculture scene gives you a taste of life on the farm. Explore these commercial farms and some of their favorite family recipes.



## Bush-N-Vine 1650 Filbert Hwy • York

Explore this multigenerational York farm during all seasons for pick-your-own berries and peaches.

#### Strawberry Punch Bowl Cake

#### Glaze:

- 4 c. crushed Bush-N-Vine strawberries
- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. water
- 2 tbsp corn starch

Combine sugar, water and corn starch in medium pot and bring to a boil, stirring with a whisk until thickened. Remove from heat and stir in crushed berries. Allow to cool completely while preparing the cake mixture.

#### Cake Mixture:

- 1 angel food cake, broken into bite size pieces
- 12 oz. whipped topping
- 16 oz. sour cream
- 5 oz. evaporated milk
- 3/4 c. Powdered sugar
- 4 c. Bush-N-Vine strawberries

To prepare cake mixture: combine whipped topping, sour cream, evaporated milk, and powdered sugar; mix well. Then add angel cake food cake and stir until moistened. Place 1/2 cake mixture in "punch bowl" or 9 X 13 glass dish. Spread 1/2 of cooled glaze over cake and top with 2 cups of sliced Bush-N-Vine strawberries. Repeat with remaining cake mixture, glaze and strawberries.

#### Springs Farm 1010 Springfield Pkwy Fort Mill

This 100-acre Fort Mill farm specializes in peaches, strawberries, and fresh produce.

**Fun Fact:** Springs Farm provides thousands of strawberries for the annual **South Carolina Strawberry Festival** each May.





#### Springs Farm Favorite Ratatouille Recipe

This recipe is delicious, simple and healthy! You can find most of these vegetables grown right on our farm and if you participate in our Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Program, you'll find these freshly picked veggies in your box at some point during the season. This recipe serves 3-4 people, so if you're feeding a crowd be sure and double it!

#### Ingredients:

- 1-2 Springs Farm zucchini (about 11/2 cups, sliced)
- 1-2 Springs Farm yellow squash (about 1 cup, sliced)
- 1 Springs Farm eggplant (about 3 cups, sliced)
- 3 Springs Farm Roma tomatoes (about 3 cups, sliced)
- 1 medium sweet onion
- 1 cup crushed tomatoes
- 1 Tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon apple cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 Tablespoon fresh basil, about 3-4 leaves, sliced, plus more for garnish
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon chili powder

#### Directions:

Preheat oven to 350F. Lightly grease a 6"x9" baking dish and set aside.

In a medium mixing bowl, combine the crushed tomatoes, oil and vinegar. Stir in the garlic, basil, Italian seasoning, salt, pepper, and chili powder.

Pour the tomato mixture into the prepared baking dish and smooth it into an even layer on the bottom of the pan.

Stack the veggie slices in alternating patters (e.g.: onion, zucchini, squash, eggplant, tomato; repeat) and place them on their side in the pan, leaning against the edge of the pan. Repeat until you've formed a couple of rows of veggies, filled the pan, and used up all of the veggie slices.

Optionally, spray or brush the exposed tops of the veggies with oil to encourage browning in the oven. This is more for appearance, so feel free to skip this step if you want.

Bake for about an hour, until the tomato sauce at the bottom is bubbling and the veggies are tender.

Garnish with additional chopped fresh basil before serving (optional). Serve hot or cold.





# Windy Hill Orchard & Cidery 1860 Black Hwy • York

South Carolina's **first hard cidery** serves up apple-everything.

Open seasonally, this orchard is the perfect place to celebrate fall.

#### RECIPE

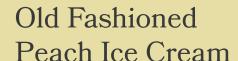
#### CJ's Easy Crockpot Apple Butter

#### Ingredients:

- Windy Hill Orchard apple peeler/corer
- 6 pounds of apples (Stayman or Winesap), peeled, sliced, and cored
- 1 cup of sugar
- 1 tablespoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon cloves

#### Directions:

Put apples in crockpot, combine ingredients and pour over apples. Cook 10 hours on low, stirring occasionally until thick. Spoon into sterile containers. Freezes well!



- 2 cans sweet condensed milk
- 11/2 quart milk
- 11/2 quart fresh peaches, crushed in a blender
- 1/2 tsp vanilla

Mix all ingredients in a one gallon container and churn!



#### Black's Peaches 1800 Black Hwy • York

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# Explore the Outdoors Your Way

Get started on your next outdoor adventure across
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even throw in a line and see what bites!





#### In the Air

Looking to experience York
County from above? Take a
Canaan Zipline Canopy Tour.
Zip across the treetops – starting
at 70ft high, zooming across the

Trek on Dry Land

Catawba River

Looking to explore a new trail? Head to **Kings Mountain State**Park to explore more than twenty miles of hiking trails along two lakes.

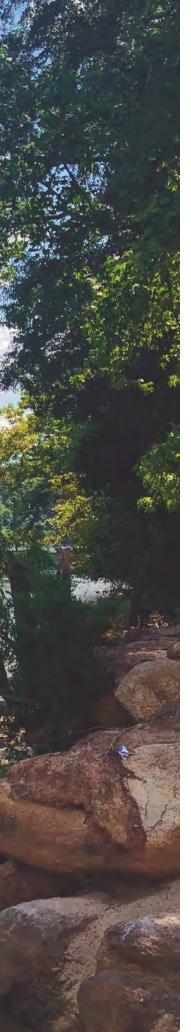
# Spend the Night in Nature

Why stay indoors when you can experience the beauty around you? York County is home to some wonderful campsites that offer you an amazing adventure and the opportunity to reconnect with nature. Bring a tent, RV, or simply a sleeping bag and enjoy South Carolina's outdoors at its finest.

- 1 Charlotte-Fort Mill KOA
  940 Gold Hill Rd Fort Mill
  Whether you want to rent a camping
  site, cabin, or bring your RV, this fullservice campground has a wooded
  atmosphere but is close to city amenities.
- 2 Ebenezer Park
  4490 Boatshore Rd Rock Hill
  With 69 full hookup sites for an RV
  experience, this newly-renovated park
  has a view of Lake Wylie.
- 3 Crown Cove RV Park
  8332 Regent Parkway Fort Mill
  With 126 sites among mature trees, you
  can pull up your RV for a feel of the
  country in a residential area.
- 4 Carowinds Camp Wilderness
  14609 Catawba Trace Charlotte
  With so much to do, one day at the park
  just isn't enough. Guests can kick back
  and stay a while at the theme park's onsite family campground.
- 5 Kings Mountain State Park
  1277 Park Rd Blacksburg
  Enjoy the beautiful piedmont forest and camp at one of the park's 115 campsites or designated tent sites.

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# Just Flow With It

Whether you're looking for the open waters of Lake Wylie or a gentle flow on the Catawba River, our waterways provide endless entertainment and relaxation.

#### Catawba River

Looking to kayak, paddleboard, or float? Check out the Catawba River. This dam-controlled river flows more than 200 miles from the Blue Ridge Mountains down to the Atlantic Ocean. Despite its proximity to established communities, much of the land

bordering the Catawba River is undeveloped providing a true escape from the hustle and bustle. Pro tip: The water levels can fluctuate quickly, so before you hit the water check the flow levels via the Duke Energy App.

Access Points: Fort Mill River Access • Rock Hill Outdoor
Center • River Park • Catawba Nation Hand Carry Boat Launch

## Lake Wylie

Located on the border of North and South Carolina, this lake provides more than 300 miles of shore line. Created in 1904 by a hydroelectric dam, Lake Wylie is one of the oldest reservoirs in South Carolina. While its open waters are perfect for

cruising in your boat, its many neighborhood coves provide flat water ideal for paddling, boating and fishing. Show off your catch! Share your catch of a lifetime on social media using the hashtag

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Access Points: Windjammer Park • Buster Boyd Access Area • Nivens Creek • Pitcairn Park • Allison Creek Access Area • Tega Cay Marina • Ebenezer Park

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## Additional Waterways

Jump on the Broad River at Worth Mountain Wildlife Management Area in Hickory Grove with more than two miles of water front that includes a concrete boat ramp. At Kings Mountain State Park you'll find Lake Crawford and Lake York that offers fishing opportunities with numerous hiking trails. When heading to the Anne Springs Close Greenway you'll find Lakes Crandall and Haigler that provide endless hours of recreation.

# Need A Rental?

Looking for a fullservice boat to hit the lake?

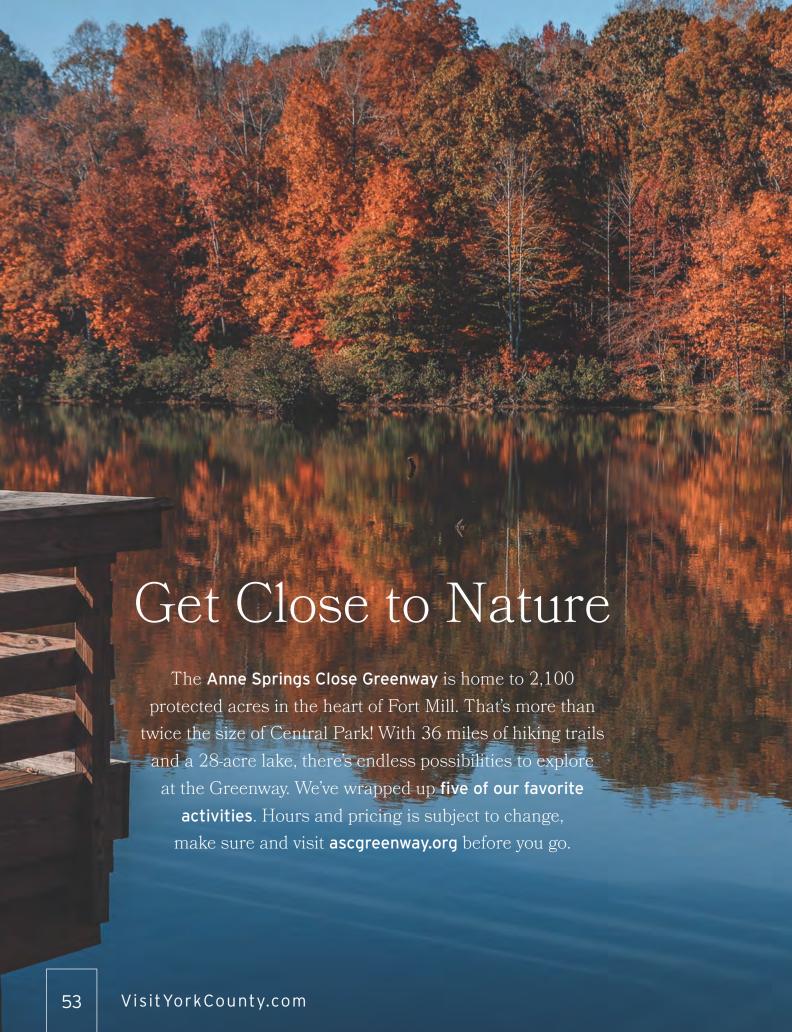
Check out Lake Club Marina, Tega Cay Marina or Pier 88 Lake Wylie.

For kayaks, jon boats, and paddleboards head to Kings Mountain State Park, the Anne Springs Close Greenway, or try a paddle league with **The Goat Boater** offering lessons and equipment over a series of classes.



#### The People of the River

The Catawba River is the namesake for the Catawba Tribe of Native Americans, known in their language as the yeh is-WAH h'reh, "The People of the River." The Catawba Indian Reservation near Rock Hill is home to the only federally recognized tribe in South Carolina.



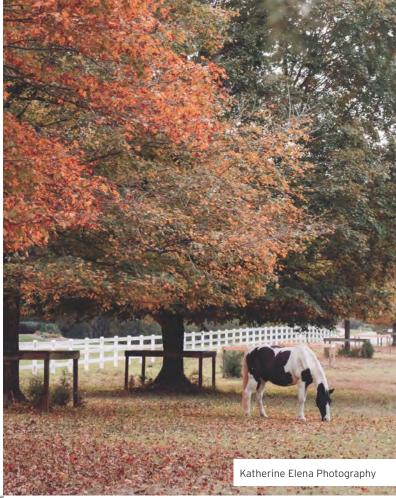
#### **Explore the Trails**

Whether you're a seasoned hiker and mountain biker or you're looking to take a leisurely stroll the Greenway trails are made for everyone.

#### Take in History

The Greenway is home to incredible history, including a trail along Nation Ford Road, one of the nation's oldest travel routes in the Southeast. You'll also find Billy Graham's grandfather's cabin on property, often available to tour.





#### **Guided Horseback Trails**

From November to May, check out weekly guided horseback rides. Visit the Greenway's website for dates and details.

#### Grub at the Gateway Canteen

Their seasonal menus offer the freshest ingredients, all while filling you up. Enjoy a great meal under the forest porch and listen to live music on the weekends.

#### Experience Lake Haigler

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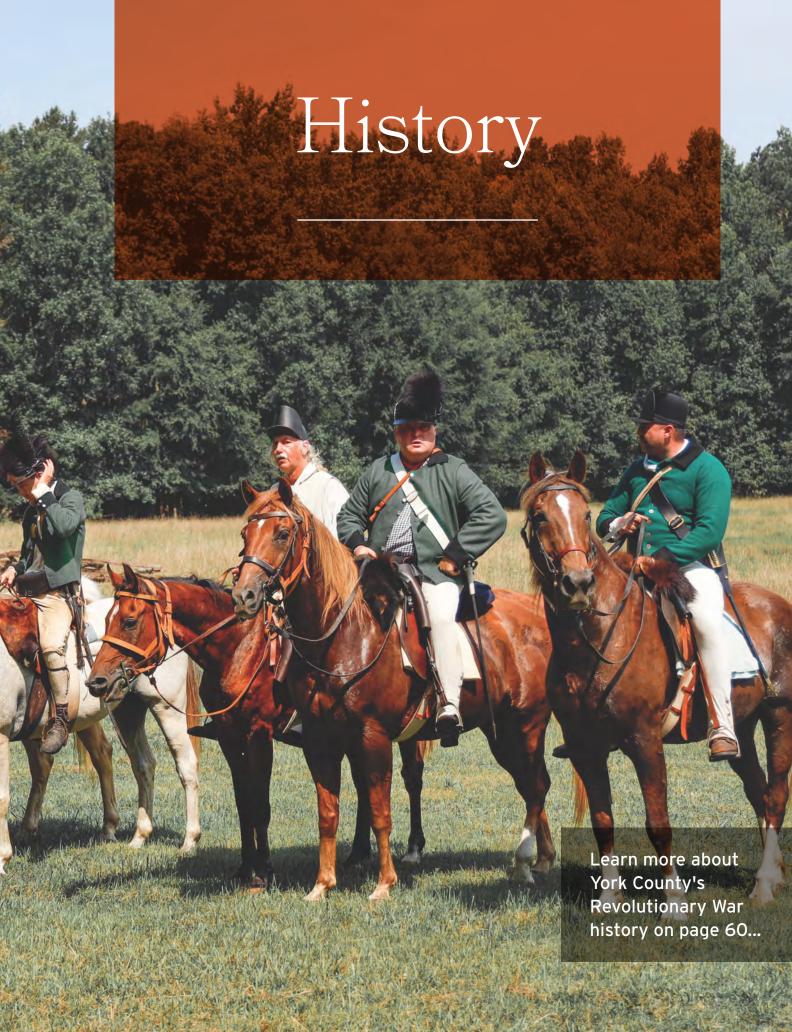


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Experience the Museum of York County's newest exhibit, Ice Age Carolinas: Exploring Our Pleistocene Past. Encounter the strange, gigantic, fierce, and fantastic beasts that once roamed the Carolinas! Featuring life-sized models, habitats, and fossils, Ice Age Carolinas portrays the Carolinas' prehistoric landscapes and wildlife during the Pleistocene Epoch from 2.6 million to 11,700 years ago. See, touch, and learn about fossils and the fossil sites in South Carolina that helped paleontologists piece together this fascinating story.



Visit York Count



#### Other Exhibits & Museums

African American Business
District Monument

104 W. Black Street • Rock Hill

Anderson Motor Company Exhibit 300 Technology Center Way • Rock Hill

Catawba Cultural Center
1536 Tom Steven Road • Rock Hill

Fort Mill History Museum 107 Clebourne Street • Fort Mill

Jail, No Bail Exhibit

135 E Main Street • Rock Hill

Historic Brattonsville
1444 Brattonsville Road • McConnells

Historic Rock Hill
258 E White Street • Rock Hill

Historical Center of York County 20 E Jefferson Street • York

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Brattonsville. This 800-acre living history farm takes you back to life in the late 1700's and 1800's. Historic Brattonsville is also home to the site of the "Battle of Huck's Defeat". This battle took place July 12th, 1780. British forces had taken over the Bratton family farm, holding Colonel William Bratton's family hostage. A slave named Watt, was able to leave the farm and warn Colonel Bratton about the British forces. On the morning of July 12th, Colonel Bratton was able to surprise Captain Christian Huck and defeat the British forces. This Battle was referred to as "the shot in the arm" the patriots

needed to continue their efforts.

Then make your way to **Kings Mountain National Military Park** 

Battle of Kings Mountain in October of 1780, was considered the "turning point" of the Revolutionary War in the South. You can explore the National Military Park's Visitor Center that includes a short film and exhibit area filled with artifacts. You can also walk the 1.5 paved battlefield trail that takes you to a monument that lists the names of those that fought in this important battle. The National Park holds a ceremony on each anniversary honoring those who lost their lives.





# Jail, No Bail

In 1961 ten men staged a sit-in at the McCrory's Five & Dime on Main Street in Rock Hill, arrested immediately and found guilty of trespassing, nine of them would choose to serve a 30-day sentence on the chain gang, instead of paying the \$100 fine. Their choice would become a national movement called "Jail, No Bail." In a new exhibit inside the former McCrory's building, you can experience what happened over their 30-day sentence and how impacted the National Civil Rights Movement.

After touring the exhibit stop next door at Kounter to see the preserved lunch counter, stools, and foot rails where the sit-in took place. The lunch counter is a stop on the U.S. Civil Rights Trail and the National Parks Service's African American Civil Rights

Network. Then learn about other area heroes at Freedom Walkway at 139 E Main Street. This walkway recognizes heroes of the past, present and future whose efforts helped to promote justice and equality for all.





Indian Nation dating back more than 4,000 years. To this day, potters utilize clay from the banks of the Catawba River and protected methods that have been passed down through generations. Catawba pottery is instantly recognizable, as it is never painted or glazed, but sun-dried and then often fired outdoors over an open flame. Today you can find Catawba pottery displays and pieces for purchase in the newly renovated Catawba Cultural Center. Hours are subject to change, so call (803) 328-2427 before visiting.

# Arts

Get in touch with your inner artist and our immersive arts community. From public galleries to pottery classes and live entertainment, we're connected through art, culture, film & music that create a vibrant community in York County!





# Tour A Gallery

- 1 Art on the Corner 154 E Main Street Rock Hill
- 2 Center for the Arts
  121 E Main Street
  Rock Hill
- 3 Gallery 120 120 Bethel Street Clover

- 4 LOOM Coworking 230 Academy Street Fort Mill
- 5 Gettys Art Center 201 E Main Street Rock Hill
- 6 Winthrop University
  Galleries
  701 Oakland Avenue
  Rock Hill









## Local Makers

Looking to get your hands on local makers goods? Check out pottery at Rock Hill Pottery or Olive's Mud Puddle. Find artists at work at Hickory Post and

Betwixt Studio. Or try your hand at maker's classes like candle making with Lou Moon Candles at The Mercantile.



Internationally renowned artist

Shepard Fairey, notably known for designing President Barack Obama's HOPE campaign, has left his mark on a community that helped to shape him. Not only does Fairey have family in Rock Hill, his grandfather was also the President of Winthrop University in the 1970's. With a deep knowledge of

Rock Hill's history, Fairey was able to merge his familiar designs about creativity and progress with iconic Rock Hill imagery at his latest large-scale mural at **153 E White Street**, **The Mercantile's** newest location. You'll also find a second Shepard Fairey piece inside the building.



Downtown Rock Hill is exploding with public art, from the storm drains and alleyways to multiple large-scale murals. The Mural Mile Project is connecting public art across **Old Town Rock Hill** with concepts of equity, unity, and inclusion. Some of the latest designs include the **Dreamer Mural by Darion Fleming** at 212 E Main Street or the iconic **Rock Hill mural by Osiris Rain** at 130 W White Street.









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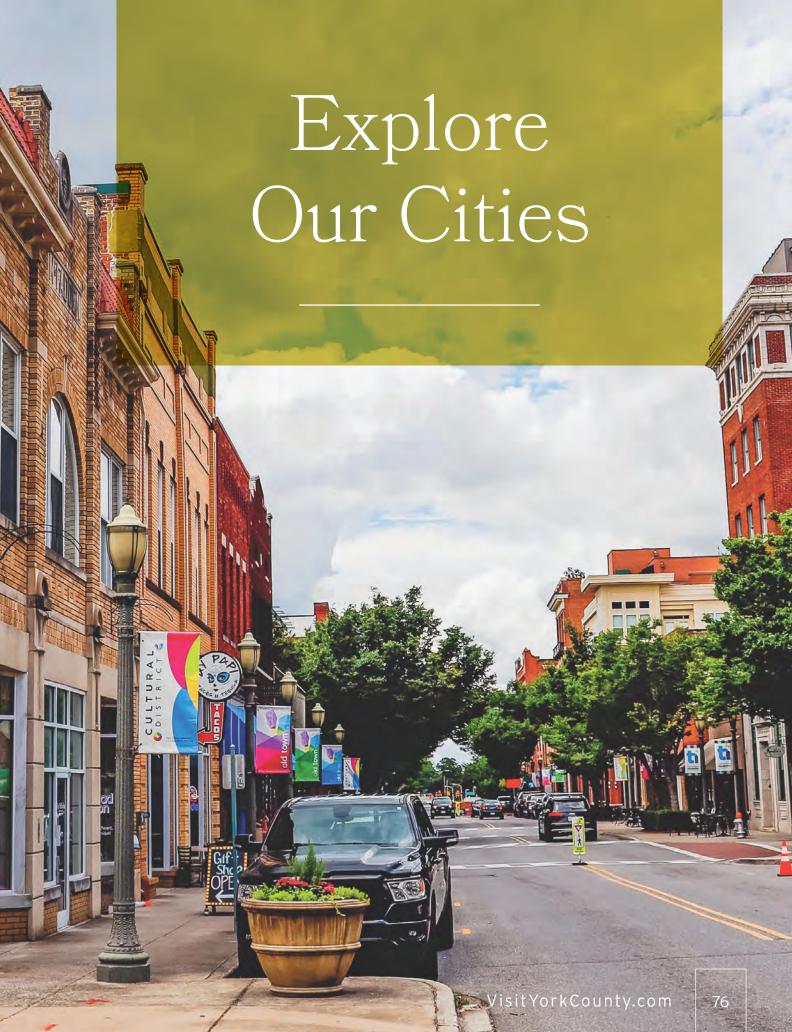
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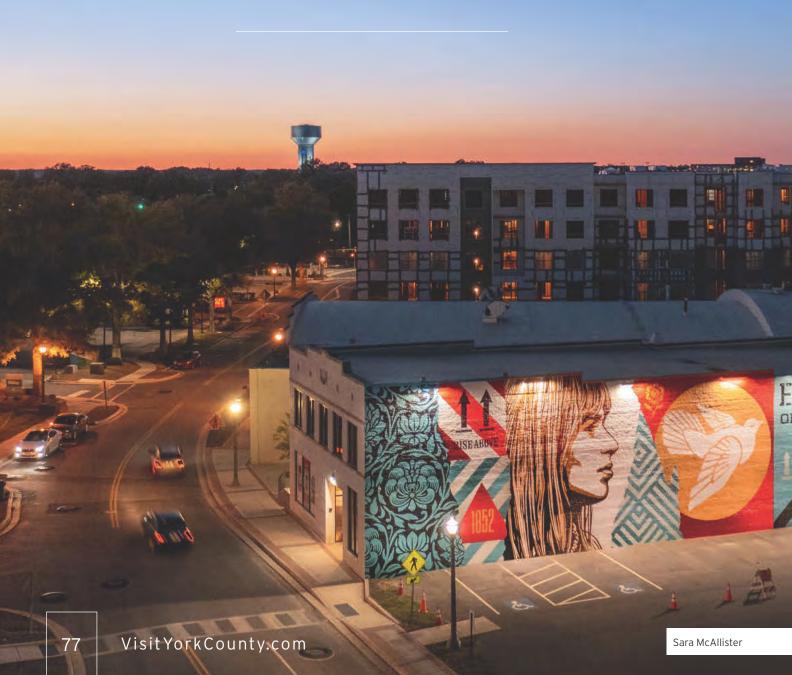






# Rock Hill

Named a "Boom Town" by the New York Times, Rock Hill's exploding community mixes its history and deep-rooted culture with growth. Known as Football City USA for dozens of NFL players that grew up here, Rock Hill is a sports mecca—including the Carolina Panthers Headquarters that will open next year! With a burgeoning art and dining scene, there's so much to explore!





#### Old Town Rock Hill

Explore Rock Hill's downtown district on foot. From Fountain Park to our Main Street's food scene. There's lots to see and fun for the whole family. Try to find the old town frogs, take in the mural mile or play at Main Street Children's Museum.

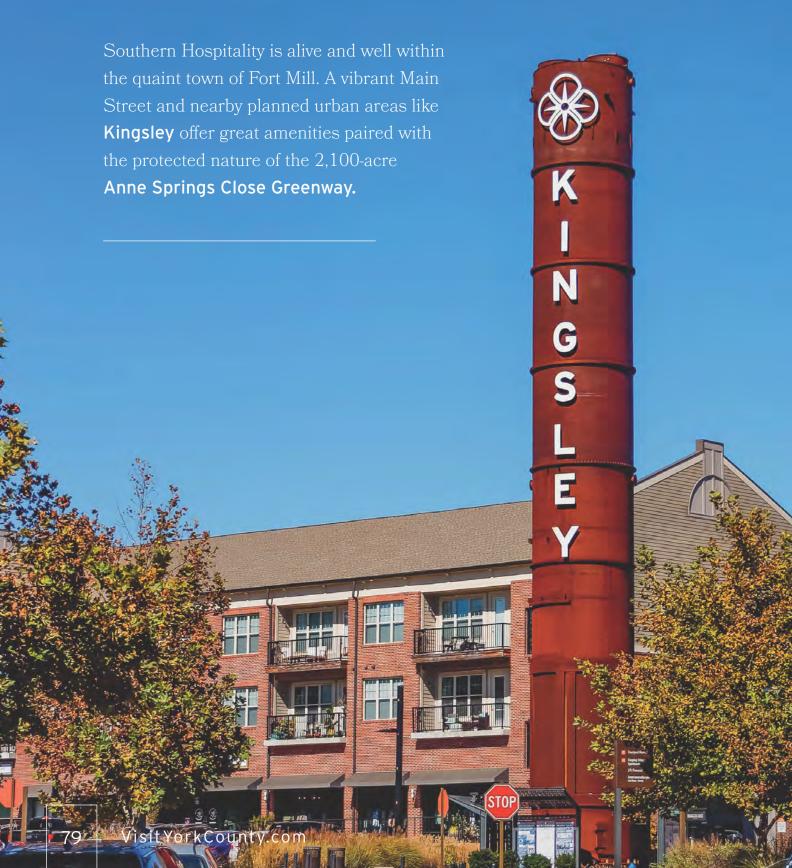
#### **University Center**

This area is perfect for the sports aficionado. The Rock Hill Sports & Event Center anchors this development, along with the American Cornhole League's headquarters. Take in date night at Old Town Kitchen & Cocktails or a rooftop cocktail at Sky Bar 354 at the Cambria hotel. University Center continues to grow with Middle James Brewing opening in 2022.

#### Riverwalk

Explore the beautiful **Catawba River** while exploring adorable shops and restaurants. The views from the **Pump House** restaurant can't be beaten. Looking for a more casual option? Try **Legal Remedy Brewing's Riverwalk** location.

# Fort Mill



#### **Explore Main Street**

The perfect day trip begins and ends at Main Street Fort Mill. You can't go wrong with locally-owned lunch and dinner options like Local Dish, Hobo's, Emmet's Social Table, or Improper Pig. Then explore shops like Crossings on Main or Soak and locally made gems like PuckerButt Pepper Company, home to the hottest pepper in the world! While you're downtown, take in the area's history with a stop at the **Fort Mill History Museum**.

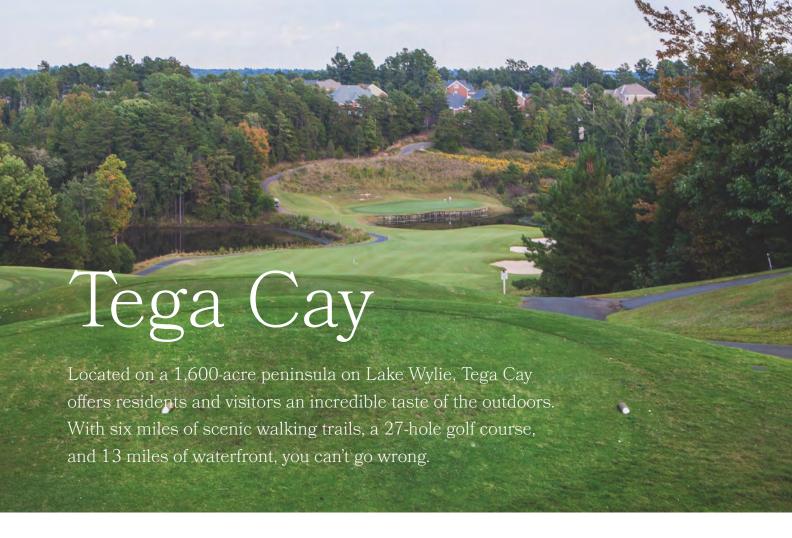
#### Take In Kingsley

A foodie's paradise. Throw a stone in any direction and you'll find incredible meals. For drinks, try Corkscrew Wine Bar or Replay Brewing. Then walk down this beautiful development to try bites from Epic Chophouse, Spice, Taco Molino, or Napa at Kingsley. Extend your stay and book a room at the **Courtyard Marriott** at Kingsley.

#### Nearby Baxter Village

While Baxter Village isn't in city limits, it is adjacent to Kingsley. Inside this planned community, you'll find 1,400 homes along with a designated downtown district where you will find an array of specialty shops including Cupcrazed, Chocolat Boutique, Page 6, KatyLoo, or LemonLime. Make plans to eat before you leave with incredible dining at Fish Market Bar & Grill, Lucky Duck, or **Killington's**. Grab a craft beer or glass of wine at **Grapevine** next door.





#### **Experience the Outdoors**

The City of Tega Cay offers incredible amenities, with an annual pass you can have access to all of their lakefront parks, including the newly renovated **Windjammer Park** that includes beach access. During the summer you can catch free ski shows on **Lake Wylie** put on by the **Carolina Show Ski Team.** Looking to test the waters for yourself? Take one of the **GOAT Boater's SUP Paddleboarding** courses or just rent one from them!

#### Play A Round

Tega Cay is the perfect place to hit the links. With a 27-hole public course designed into this community, it's truly a golfer's dream. End your day at the pro shop and restaurant **The Shore Club**, where fine dining meets incredible views of the course. Round out the day with fun for the family at **Mr. Putty's Fun Park** or grab a pint of local craft beer from Tega Cay's first brewery **Model A Brewing**.



The town with LOVE in the middle of it offers a charming small-town setting to visitors with rich history and great shopping. Rich in their Scots-Irish history and heritage, Clover is home to the Feis Chlobhair, Scottish games each fall.

#### What To Do

Take in the arts with monthly installations at Gallery 120 or take the whole family to New Centre Park, don't miss the splash pad in the summer. If you're looking for antiques, Clover is your spot. Packed with adorable and eclectic shops, you can't go wrong. Grab a pint from Clover's first bottle shop,

The Vault. Looking to connect with nature? Visit the nearby Kings Mountain National Military Park or Kings Mountain State Park. Stay overnight at Clover's area bed & breakfast, Magnolia Inn & Garden.



Once known as the "Charleston of the Upstate" the White Rose City is packed with historic charm and has become the perfect day trip destination. Not only is York the county seat, but it's also home to nearly 200 states and nationally historically registered locations.

#### Shop 'Til You Drop

York is steeped with locally-owned and unique shopping. A quick walk down Congress Street will showcase various specialty stores like Books-4-Ewe, Dogma & Fetch, or Southern Dande. A new shopping destination, Yorkville Marketplace is home to dozens of vendors from plants and furniture to homemade crafts and goods. Don't miss their fantastic vendor markets each year, follow them on social media for all of their updates.

#### Grab A Bite

Grab a coffee at Greenhouse Coffee or load up at Hoof & Barrel, SoCo Grille, or Towne Tavern. Garden Café makes for a dreamy date night!

#### **Explore**

Small-town charm extends well past the downtown. Experience life on the farm with a visit to nearby **Historic Brattonsville**, a living history farm, or head to one of our working farms, **Windy Hill Orchard & Cidery**, **Bush-N-Vine**, or **Black's Peaches**.









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With great places to live, work and raise a family, the choices are many, attracting a talented and diverse workforce that tends to stick around.



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282K
Total Population

96.2

Cost of Living Index

2050

Population Expected to Double

1.2M

Labor Shed Within 45 Minutes

35+

Parks, Trails, and Green Spaces

470

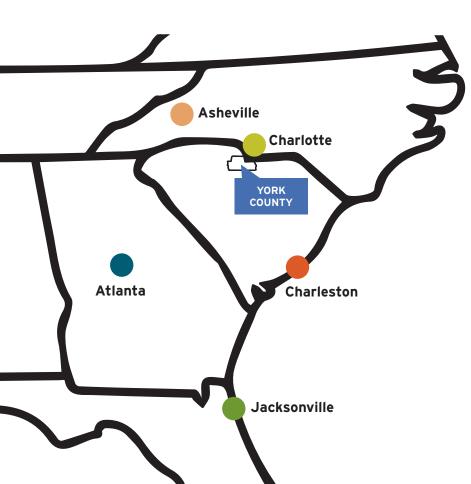
Miles of Trails and Blueways 730

Average Temperature Sources: 2020 Decennial Census, JobsEQ per C2ER 2021 Q1, American Community Survey 2015-2019

# Getting Here

Situated on the East Coast of the United States, York County, South Carolina is approximately halfway between New York and Miami. In addition to York County's mild winters and ample sunshine, residents and visitors alike enjoy the area's close proximity to the mountains and Carolina beaches.

Just minutes from the North Carolina state line, York County is conveniently situated along the I-77 corridor providing access to 200 million U.S. and Canadian customers.



#### Charlotte Douglas International Airport

York County is within 20 miles of Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT), ranked among the top 10 busiest airports in the world, averaging 1,600 daily aircraft operations. CLT serves approximately 178 nonstop destinations around the globe and welcomes more than 50 million passengers annually. The Charlotte Air Cargo Center, the region's premier air cargo facility is also located at Charlotte Douglas International Airport.

#### Rock Hill-York County Airport

The Rock Hill-York County Airport serves business travelers with streamlined arrival and departure capabilities. With a runway length of 5,500 feet and a 7,200 square-foot terminal building, the Rock Hill/York County Airport continues to grow to meet local demand.

#### **I-77 Corridor**

Interstate 77 connects York County to Charlotte, North Carolina, and Columbia, South Carolina. To support unprecedented regional growth, I-77 is consistently widened and improved to make all parts of York County accessible to I-77, I-85, and other significant routes throughout the southeast.



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## K-12 Education

Consistently ranked as one of the best public school systems in the state, York County's four public school districts include some of the most highly respected elementary, middle, and high schools in South Carolina. In addition to K-12 education, York County schools provide vocational

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#### **Public School Districts**

York School District 1 Clover School District 2 Rock Hill School District 3 Fort Mill School District 4

training and adult education. York
County is also home to **22 private or charter schools** that serve more than
3,000 students. Noted as some of the
most affordable private schools in the
nation, York County private schools are
routinely recognized for exceptional
scores in standardized testing (SAT),
advanced placement (AP) course
offerings, and plentiful extracurricular
activities for students.



## Higher Education

A community of creatives, makers, scientists, and scholars, York County highly values education and offers learning options for all stages of life. Located within York County's labor shed, 18 higher education institutions fuel a skilled workforce and continue to attract young professionals.



## Clinton College

The oldest institution of higher education in Rock Hill, the four-year Christian historically Black liberal arts college offers students an affordable education in an intimate and familiar environment through a holistic curriculum that prepares students to excel in today's global economy.

Associate degree programs include Business Administration, Early Childhood Development, Liberal Arts, Religious Studies, and Natural Sciences. Bachelor's degree programs include Business Administration, Religious Studies, and Biology.

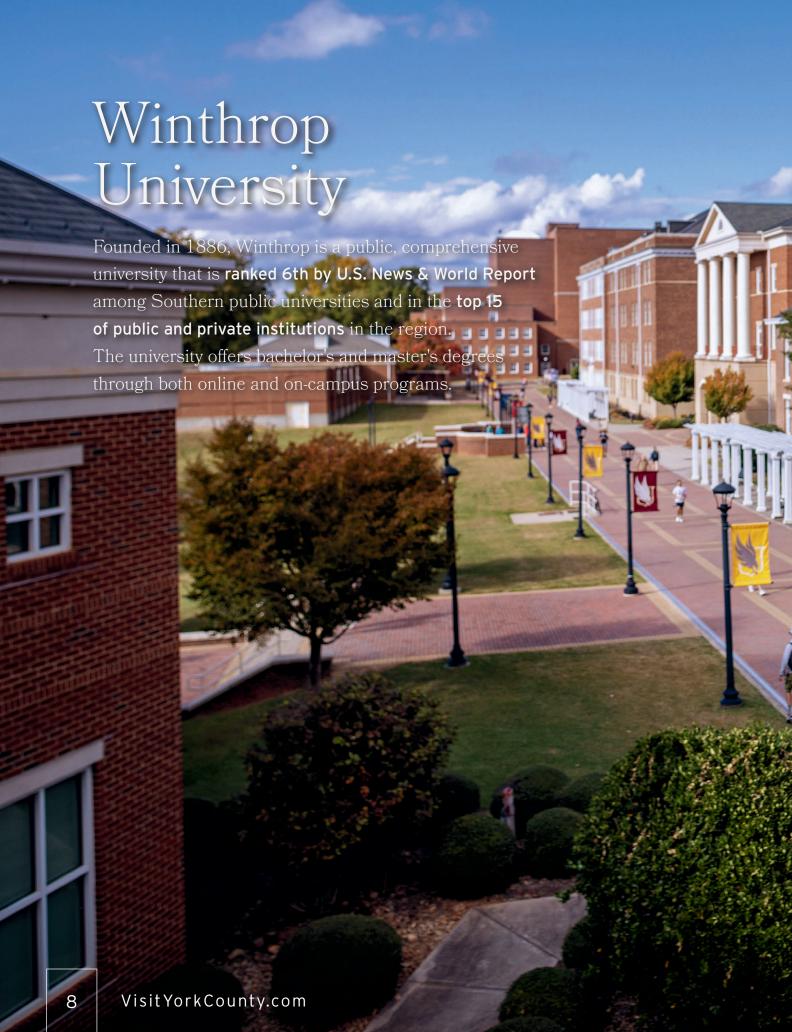


## York Technical College

As a member of the South Carolina
Technical and Comprehensive
Education System, York Technical
College is a public, two-year institution
of higher education that offers more
than 100 degree, diplomas, and
certificate programs in the areas of
engineering technology, industrial
technology, information technology,

business, health science, and public service. Through an open admissions policy for qualified students, York Technical College annually enrolls **5,000-7,000 credit students**.

The College seeks to contribute to the economic growth and development of York, Lancaster, and Chester counties and of the state.





Winthrop's historic and scenic campus is located in Rock Hill, South Carolina, just 20 minutes south of Charlotte. Through an educational experience that blends liberal arts, professional programs, global awareness, and civic engagement, Winthrop will help you develop the knowledge, skills, and values that will enrich your life and prepare you for all the future holds.

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NCAA Sports

5,576 Total

Student Body

12:1 Ratio

Student:Faculty

46 Majors

Undergraduate

22 Programs

and Certificates for Graduate Students

## Alumni Profile

Ashley Briggs
News Producer • WACH FOX
Mass Communication Major

"My time at Winthrop really challenged me and was very influential in preparing me and giving me the skills I needed to succeed," said Briggs, a news producer with WACH FOX in Columbia, South Carolina.



## Healthcare

York County is home to high quality health care options for all stages of life. **Piedmont Medical Center,** a 288-bed full-service hospital located in Rock Hill, first

opened their doors in 1983. They expanded with an emergency department in Fort Mill in 2020 and they plan on opening a new hospital in 2022 in Fort Mill.

#### Broken to Better Urgent Care

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1201 Village Harbor Dr, Suite 104 Lake Wylie

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#### Atrium Health Urgent Care

704 Gold Hill Rd, Suite 1200 Fort Mill

#### Atrium Health Urgent Care

1656 Riverchase Blvd, Suite 1800 Rock Hill

#### **Doctor's Care**

2174 Cherry Rd • Rock Hill

#### First Care Medical Clinic

1462 Constitution Blvd • Rock Hill

## Riverview Family Medicine and Urgent Care

2450 India Hook Rd B • Rock Hill

#### Piedmont West Urgent Care Center

1190 Filbert Hwy Suite 110 • York

## Piedmont Urgent Care Center at Baxter Village

502 Sixth Baxter Crossing • Fort Mill

#### **Piedmont Medical Center**

222 S Herlong Ave • Rock Hill

#### Piedmont Medical Center Gold Hill Emergency Department

995 Gold Hill Rd • Fort Mill



#### **Utilities**

#### **Electricity**

City of Rock Hill

CityofRockHill.com

Duke Energy

Duke-Energy.com

York Electric Cooperative

YorkElectric.net

#### **Natural Gas**

York County Natural

Gas Authority

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City of York

10 N Roosevelt St • YorkCitySC.com

Town of Clover

116 Bethel St • CloverSC.org

Town of Fort Mill

200 Tom Hall St • FortMillSC.org

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York County Government

6 N Congress St, York

YorkCountyGov.com

## Economic Development

York County Economic Development YorkCountyED.com

Rock Hill Economic Development RockHillUSA.com



# Carolina Panthers World-Class Development

Construction of the new Carolina Panthers practice facility and headquarters is well underway in Rock Hill on a 240-acre site adjacent to I-77. The new development will not only include a world-class sports complex, but also be a true destination for the entire

region, offering entertainment, dining, retail, athletics and medical care. The Panthers are already investing in the Rock Hill community beyond a new state-of-the-art practice facility and headquarters.

#### Catawba Bend Preserve

Catawba Bend Preserve will be York County's premier nature-based park. Nestled on 1,900 acres of woods and fields, and gently guided by the wild and scenic Catawba River.

The land is dotted by majestic pines and more than half a dozen tranquil ponds, teaming with a variety of wildlife. The purchase will

protect this rich and diverse property from large-scale development, opening it up for hiking, mountain biking, boating, tubing, fishing, camping, nature study, and more. In the master plan, you can see a detailed layout of what Catawba Bend Preserve will offer York County for generations to come.

# Startup Scene

In York County, entrepreneurs and small businesses are at the heart of our local economy. With a strong local support network, flexible space options, and resource offerings that encourage growth, York County is emerging as a budding destination for businesses at all stages of growth.

### Knowledge Park

A walkable, multi-faceted district of Rock Hill which encompasses both Winthrop University and the City Center. The urban development which spans one square mile was created to encourage innovation, collaboration, and target industry job creation through shared experiences and shared spaces. Knowledge Park is projected to attract more Than \$517 million of investment.

### The Technology Center

Knowledge Park's Technology Incubator offers entrepreneurs access to resources and technical support designed to help launch an idea into a successful business operation. More than a shared space, the Incubator grows and develops founders to graduate from the program in 8 to 12 months.

### York County LaunchPad

A free and open-to-the-public event held the first Wednesday of every month. At each meeting, two local startups take the stage to talk about their business and to share their experiences that have added to or inhibited growth.

#### B.E.L.L. of Rock Hill

The Black Economic Leadership League works to grow diverse and equitable business practices that promote the value of inclusive, innovative, progressive policies in economic growth and development, by fostering entrepreneurship, creating jobs, equitable distribution of city resources and leadership opportunities to help the City of Rock Hill achieve its goals.

# Coworking

Flexible coworking spaces throughout York County support growing companies and entrepreneurs with shared infrastructure, convenient locations, and cost-effective lease agreements.

#### Rock Hill

742 North

742 N Anderson Rd

## BNA Cowork at Riverwalk

596 Herrons Ferry Rd • Suite 301

#### Collison Cowork

116 Main St • Suite 201

#### **Gravity Center**

153 S Oakland St

#### Regus

331 E Main St • Suite 200

#### Fort Mill

#### **LOOM Coworking**

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#### The Gravity Center

This brand-new venture offers a one-stop resource hub for entrepreneurial collaboration and development. The center is owned and led by local entrepreneurs. The Gravity Center memberships offer entrepreneurs the opportunity to learn from seasoned start-up veterans, network for professional growth and office hours to connect with services to make your business idea a success.

## Behind the Scenes

#### DIRTT Expands in York County

Leadership from DIRTT Environmental Solutions shares why Rock Hill proved to be the perfect fit for the high-growth interior construction company's international expansion.

#### Tell us about DIRTT.

DIRTT is a building process powered by technology. We use our proprietary 3D software called ICE® to help design, manufacture, and install fully customized interior environments. Using our modular components and a streamlined construction process, interior spaces are constructed faster, cleaner, and more sustainably. In addition, clients receive certainty around cost, schedule, and outcome.

#### Why did DIRTT choose Rock Hill for its new manufacturing plant?

In 2021, DIRTT chose the Rock
Hill location for our new wood
panel manufacturing plant to
counterbalance our existing Northwest
location (in Calgary, Alberta) and
improve service in the Southeastern
United States. We were able to greatly
reduce shipping distances to many
of our customers, which is helpful
to maintaining our short order-todelivery lead times.

The proximity to Charlotte also makes it very convenient for our clients to visit us. And the new plant is only 30 minutes from the North American headquarters of our major equipment supplier which gives us excellent access to their technical support team.

## Tell us about DIRTT's new Rock Hill facility.

Our Rock Hill plant is a custom-built, 130,000-square-foot building and is expandable to 260,000 square feet to support future growth. The plant is designed to optimize the manufacturing of wall panels, a key component of our construction system.

Innovations like the technology we're using here, dramatically reduce the time it takes to manufacture our solutions. As one example of our automation technology, a paint color changeover on the production line that used to take 45 minutes, now takes less than five.

#### Were there other locations of consideration? What was the ultimate standout factor about Rock Hill?

During our reconnaissance, Rock Hill became the front runner because of its advantageous location, its proximity to a major airport and interstate highways, and, quite frankly, because the people we met here were so welcoming and so invested in the development of this community.

#### Business aside, what do you love about York County?

First off, we love our employees and our new friends. People in York County are friendly, warm and welcoming. One of the contributing factors that influenced our decision to put down roots in York County was how the local leaders in Rock Hill and the State of South Carolina supported our arrival. There's a real sense that when one of us succeeds, we all do, and we really feel that support and invested energy in our growth.

#### How will DIRTT's Rock Hill expansion impact the company's growth trajectory?

As North America continues its emergence from the pandemic, we've seen a significant upswing in businesses re-activating and accelerating new and previously paused construction projects. The addition of our state-of-the-art Rock Hill plant positions DIRTT to be able to meet client needs. We can keep up with them as they rapidly design, build and update their environments thanks to our additional capacity that utilizes the latest in automation and robotics.

### How can readers keep up with DIRTT or learn more?

For the latest trends in industrialized construction as well as design and construction perspectives, visit our editorial platform Make. Space or head over to dirtt.com. You can always find us on social, too.



Come be part of our community that is built on a rich history and new collaborative approaches towards future prosperity for all.

York County is the location you need; the life you want.

York County has added more than **24,000 jobs in the last 10 years**, reflecting the area's strategic position as a home for Fortune 500 companies and startups alike. Once almost exclusively dependent on textiles for non-farm employment (though we still have peach orchards and cornfields),

York County's economic diversity has proven it can weather downturns. Strengths in traditional sectors such as transportation and finance are combined with new advanced manufacturing trends including automation, robotics, and 3D printing.

#### 30% Growth

for Employment from 2010–2020

1,185,198

Labor Shed: 45 Min.

#### **#4 Top States**

for Doing Business

#### **#4** Cooperative

and Responsive State Government

#### **#1 Business**

Incentives Programs

#### **#3 Best Business**

Climate in the Charlotte Region

Sources: Area Development 2021, Business Facilities Magazine, 2020 Decennial Census



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## Come see what makes Rock Hill a great place to live, work, and play.

With more than \$400 million worth of current or upcoming development projects in the urban core of Rock Hill, the **Knowledge Park strategy** continues to make strides. Whether it's attracting jobs, businesses or visitors to the historic center of Rock Hill, or creating opportunity and prosperity for the community,

Rock Hill is quickly evolving into a walkable, multi-faceted district by reinventing the original heart of Rock Hill. Exciting development projects underway include The Thread,
University Center, The Exchange and the former Herald Site, which include a pedestrian walking bridge over Dave Lyle Boulevard.

# Rock Hill by the Numbers

1M+
New Development
Square Footage

\$400M+

New Development Planned or Underway 350+

Residential units built\* in the last 4 years

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