



Welcome

to the
**Huntsville/
Madison County
community**

a
**smart
place**

Thinking about relocating?
Reach for the stars in
the community where
The Sky is not the limit.

Military, space,
telecommunications,
biotechnology, diversi-
fied manufacturing and
a variety of emerging
specialties provide chal-
lenging work in delightful
surroundings. The area
enjoys a favorable cost of
living and quality of life.

Mountains, lakes, wood-
lands and the Tennessee
River accommodate
numerous recreational
activities. A temperate
climate enhances the
season for outdoor sports,
including world-class
golf, hiking, biking, and
fishing.

Major concerts,
Broadway and symphony
performances, extensive
permanent collections
and traveling exhibitions
contribute to a wonderful
way of life.

Want to learn more?
Be sure to call or visit the
Chamber of Commerce
of Huntsville/Madison
County.

HUNTSVILLE
The Sky is not the limit.

Newcomers

Home to the cities of Huntsville and Madison, Madison County is a welcoming and inviting place. The following organizations and agencies provide helpful information and services you may need as a newcomer to the community. Whether you have recently moved or are considering making the Huntsville area your home, please feel free to contact us and we will be glad to help you find the answers you need.



Auto Registration

Madison County License Tag Information

Madison County Courthouse, License Commissioner Office
100 Northside Square, Huntsville 256.532.3310

Driver's License

Madison County License Department

1115-A Church St., Huntsville 256.539.0681
www.co.madison.al.us/about/org/CoDepts/LicenseDept

Housing

Huntsville Area Association of Realtors, Inc. www.valleymls.com
Apartment Guide - Huntsville www.apartmentguide.com
Commercial Home Guides www.al.com/homesfortoday
www.homesandland.com
www.publicationspress.com/nares/index.html
www.reconnectiononline.com

Taxes

Alabama Dept. of Revenue www.ador.state.al.us 256.922.1082
Madison Co. Tax Assessor www.co.madison.al.us 256.532.3350
Madison Co. Tax Collector www.co.madison.al.us 256.532.3370

Utilities

Huntsville Utilities 256.535.1200 www.hsvutil.org
N. Ala. Gas District 256.772.0227 www.nagd.com
Huntsville Water Pollution Control 256.883.3719 www.hsvcity.com
Madison Water & Wastewater Board 256.772.0253 www.madisonwaterboard.org
Madison Co. Water Dept. 256.746.2888 co.madison.al.us

Home Phone / Cable / Internet

AT&T 888.757.6500 www.att.com
Comcast 256.859.7800 www.comcast.com
Knology 256.533.5353 www.knology.com
MediaCom 256.852.6306 www.mediacomcc.com
Sprint / Nextel 256.882.1454 www.sprint.com
HiWAAY Internet Services 256.533.4296 www.hiwayay.net
bamaWISP 256.489.0112 www.bamawisp.net

Voter Registration

Madison County Board of Registrars

Madison County Courthouse 200 Courthouse Square, Room 417
co.madison.al.us/voter/register.shtml 256.532.3510

Education

Huntsville area schools are rated among the best in the state with programs for advanced, creative and special needs students. Three major school systems serve the Huntsville/Madison County region as do a number of private and parochial schools. Universities and colleges provide programs through the doctorate level and excel in science and engineering, as well as business, nursing and the liberal arts.



Kindergarten - 12

Huntsville City Schools
200 White St., Huntsville 256.428.6800 www.hsv.k12.al.us
Madison City Schools
211 Celtic Dr., Madison 256.464.8370 www.madisoncity.k12.al.us
Madison County Schools
1275-F Jordan Rd., Huntsville 256.852.2557 www.madison.k12.al.us
Huntsville Madison Private Schools Assoc. www.HuntsvilleMadisonPrivateSchools.org
Alabama Homeschooling www.AlabamaHomeSchooling.net

Colleges and Universities

University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAHuntsville)
301 Sparkman Dr., Huntsville 256.824.1000 www.uah.edu
Alabama A & M University
4900 Meridian St., Huntsville 256.372.5000 www.aamu.edu
Oakwood University
7000 Adventist Blvd., Huntsville 256.726.7000 www.oakwood.edu
Calhoun Community College 256.306.2500 www.calhoun.cc.al.us
Faulkner University at Huntsville 256.830.2626 www.faulkner.edu
J.F. Drake State Technical College 256.539.8161 www.dstc.cc.al.us
Virginia College at Huntsville 256.533.7387 www.vc.edu
UAB School of Medicine, Huntsville 256.539.7757 www.uab.edu

Libraries

Huntsville/Madison County Public Library
915 Monroe Street, Huntsville 256.532.5940
Visit website for locations www.hpl.lib.al.us
Alabama A&M University 256.858.4729
J.F. Drake Memorial Learning Resource Center www.aamu.edu
Oakwood College Library 256.726.7247
Eva B. Dykes Library www.oakwood.edu/library
University of Alabama in Huntsville 256.824.6530
M. Louis Salmon Library www.lib.uah.edu
J.F. Drake State Technical College 256.551.3120
S.C. O'Neal Sr. Library and Tech. Center www.dstc.cc.al.us/lib.htm

Business

Named the Best Mid-size Metro to Launch a Small Business by *Fortune Small Business* and the Best U.S. City by *Kiplinger's Personal Finance*, this community is a great place to live, work and play. Abundant job opportunities exist in aerospace and defense, biotechnology, advanced manufacturing, retail and business services. The Chamber also facilitates workforce recruitment and development programs. Visit www.aSmartPlace.com to launch your new career today.



Government (state & local)

State of Alabama	334.242.7100	www.alabama.gov
City of Huntsville	256.427.5000	www.hsvcity.com
308 Fountain Cir., Huntsville		
Madison County Commission	256.532.3300	www.co.madison.al.us
Courthouse 700, 100 Northside Square, Huntsville		
City of Madison	256.772.5600	www.madisonal.gov
100 Hughes Road, Madison		

Business

Better Business Bureau	256.533.1640	www.northalabama.bbb.org
Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville/Madison County	256.535.2000	www.HuntsvilleAlabamaUSA.com
— for area jobs listing:		www.aSmartPlace.com

Healthcare

Crestwood Medical Center	256.429.4000	www.crestwoodmedcenter.com
Huntsville Hospital System	256.265.1000	www.huntsvillehospital.org
Huntsville-Madison Co. Health Dept.	256.539.3711	co.madison.al.us/services
Madison Co. Medical Society	256.881.7321	www.madisoncountydoctors.org

Transportation

Huntsville International Airport	256.772.9395	www.hsvairport.org
City of Huntsville	256.427.6811	www.hsvcity.com/Publictran
Madison County (TRAM)	256.532.3792	www.co.madison.al.us

Media

The Huntsville Times	256.532.4444	www.al.com
WAAY-TV31 (ABC affiliate)	256.533.3131	www.waaytv.com
WAFF-TV48 (NBC affiliate)	256.533.4848	www.waff.com
WHNT-TV19 (CBS affiliate)	256.533.1919	www.whnt.com
WHDF-TV15 (CW affiliate)	256.536.1550	www.thevalleyscw.tv
WZDX-TV54 (FOX affiliate)	256.533.5454	www.fox54.com

Community Involvement

United Way of Madison County	256.536.0745	www.uwshv.org
HandsOn Greater Huntsville	256.539.7797	www.volunteerhsv.org

Attractions

With the state's premier symphony, Broadway musicals and stage acts, Huntsville draws audiences from a broad region. Area historic districts, museums and attractions — including the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and Space Camp — are visited by people from throughout the world. Sports enthusiasts enjoy professional minor league baseball and football, college and professional hockey, plus several outdoor activities.



Attractions

Burritt on the Mountain	256.536.2882	www.burrittonthemountain.com
EarlyWorks Museum Complex	256.564.8100	www.earlyworks.com
<i>EarlyWorks Children's History Museum, Historic Huntsville Depot & Alabama Constitution Village</i>		
Harrison Brothers Hardware	256.536.3631	www.harrisonbrothershardware.com
Huntsville Botanical Garden	256.830.4447	www.hsvbg.org
Huntsville Museum of Art	256.535.4350	www.hsvmuseum.org
Sci-Quest	256.837.0606	www.sci-quest.org
U.S. Space & Rocket Center	256.837.3400	www.spacecamp.com

Performing Arts

The Arts Council	256.519.2787	www.artshuntsville.org
Broadway Theatre League	256.518.6155	www.broadwaytheatreleague.org
Fantasy Playhouse Children's Theater	256.539.6829	www.letthemagicbegin.org
Huntsville Community Chorus Assn.	256.533.6606	www.thechorus.org
The Huntsville Symphony Orchestra	256.539.4818	www.hso.org
Theatre Huntsville	256.536.0807	www.theatrehsv.org

Sports / Recreation

Huntsville Havoc (hockey)	256.518.6160	www.huntsvillehavoc.com
Huntsville Stars (AA baseball)	256.882.2562	www.huntsvillestars.com
Tenn. Valley Vipers (indoor football)	256.428.4477	www.vipers.tv
Ditto Landing	256.882.1057	www.dittoland.com
Land Trust of Huntsville	256.534.5263	www.landtrust-hsv.org
Monte Sano State Park	256.534.3757	www.alapark.com
Robert Trent Jones Golf Course	256.551.1818	www.rtgolf.com

Shopping Malls

Madison Square Mall	256.837.0670	www.madisonsquaremall.com
Parkway Place Mall	256.533.9094	www.parkwayplacemall.com
Bridge Street Town Centre	256.327.8400	www.bridgestreethuntsville.com
Valley Bend at Jones Farm		2750 Carl T. Jones Drive
Westside Center		6275 University Drive West

For Tourist Information:

visit the Huntsville/Madison County Convention & Visitors Bureau at www.huntsville.org

Facts & Figures

Population *(2008 Census)*

	Madison County	City of Huntsville	City of Madison
Total population	319,510	176,645	38,453
White	70.7%	63.7%	79.1%
Black	24.0%	30.9%	13.8%
Asian & Pacific Islander	2.3%	2.2%	4.8%
Other Races	3.0%	3.2%	2.3%
Median age	37.7	36.3	37.7
Avg. household income	\$73,430	\$65,159	\$93,488
Per capita income	\$30,334	\$28,444	\$35,847

Unemployment Rate *(2008 Annual Average)*

Huntsville Metropolitan Area:	3.7%
Madison County:	3.6%
Huntsville region:	4.4%

Climate *(30 year average, National Weather Service)*

Rainfall:	4.8"/month
Relative humidity:	70%
Snowfall:	0.4"/year
Avg high temp in July:	89.0°F
Avg low temp in Jan:	29.2°F

Cost of Living *(ACCRA Average, National Average = 100)*

Composite index:	92.3
Grocery items:	93.4
Housing:	80.9
Utilities:	86.3
Transportation:	100.3
Health care:	92.6
Misc. goods & services:	100.9

Home Sales *(2008 Annual Average)*

Average selling price:	\$166,673
Median selling price:	\$139,879
Annual houses sold:	9,125
Average days on the market:	110

Taxes

Personal Income Tax:

Alabama: 5% of annual personal income; Local: none

Individual Property Tax *(assessed at 10% of market value):*

City of Huntsville: 58.0 mils

City of Madison: 57.5 mils

Madison County: 36.6 mils

(A \$100,000 home in the City of Huntsville will have property taxes of \$580/year.)

Sales Tax: Total 8%



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