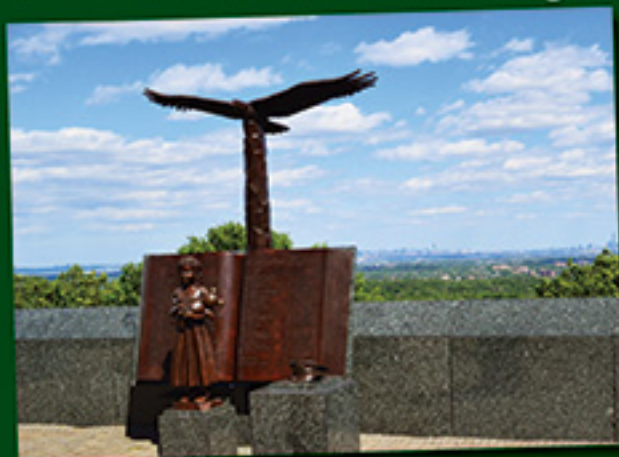


Welcome To West Orange!



An historic suburb less than 15 miles from Manhattan with lots of open space and old-fashioned charm, the Watchung Mountain ridges and Manhattan skyline are the backdrop for this mostly-residential Essex County enclave, where some 48,000 people live within its 12.5 square miles. The town boasts spectacular views of South Mountain and Eagle Rock reservations, six golf courses, 12 beautiful public parks, four public tennis courts, an outdoor amphitheater, a dine-in multiscreen movie theater, two major supermarkets, a state-of-the-art pool and recreation center, a waterfront recreation complex, a zoo and education center and skating arena with two rinks.

Housing

West Orange is home to Llewellyn Park, a 400-acre neighborhood and the oldest-gated planned

community in the U.S. Known for both its historical and cosmopolitan appeal, the township features a myriad of housing options from magnificent mansions to smaller homes to upscale, full-service residential townhouses with breathtaking views of the Manhattan skyline.



Transportation

West Orange is readily accessible by major highways, rail links, nearby airports and boasts a quick bus ride to Manhattan, so it is a big draw for homeowners who work in New York City but want the suburban feel found in its lush, tree-lined streets. Community Coach runs express buses to the Port Authority Bus Terminal on weekday mornings and during the evening rush hour. West Orange also operates free jitney lines to South Orange, Orange and Mountain stations on New Jersey Transit's Midtown Direct line. There are morning jitney rides from the Gregory, Hutton Park, St. Cloud, Mt. Pleasant, BelAir, Eagle Ridge, Essex Green Villas and Valley neighborhoods and from South Orange and Orange train stations in the evening.



Houses of Worship

People of all faiths live in West Orange and the township is home to more than two-dozen houses of worship.



Shopping & Dining

Five distinct shopping districts serve area residents; historic Main Street, the centrally-located Essex Green Shopping Center, two major supermarkets and a healthy mix of big-box retailers, boutiques and specialty shops including jewelers, clothing stores and florists. The 'Wedding Capital of New Jersey,' West Orange is home to some of the state's most popular five-star restaurants and iconic catering facilities.



West Orange Public Library

A bustling busy library with more than 150,000 annual visits that is part of consortia that gives residents with library cards privileges at 90 public and academic libraries in four counties, hundreds of programs for children and adults throughout the year and public computers and wi-fi access.



Main Street

A thriving downtown corridor led by the Downtown West Orange Alliance, with more than 30 shops and small businesses featuring hardware and home supplies, sundries, barbershops, cuisine from around the world, and the historic Thomas Edison National Museum.



Municipal Services

Municipal services are among the best in the region, including leaf pick-up, snow removal, curbside recycling, trash and bulk pickup, full police and fire departments, and health and senior services.



West Orange has a highly-rated education system for children at all levels comprised of 11 public schools that boast award-winning sports, music, arts and language programs. West Orange High School offers 23 Advanced Placement courses, an award-winning wind ensemble and marching band; champion soccer and basketball teams, a bowling squad, wrestling team and more. The district also offers pre-k options and full-day kindergarten.

Schools



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Arts & Culture

West Orange is not only diverse in its people and housing, but has a breadth of cultural offerings, including OSPAC, a sloping lakeside amphitheater situated on 5.5 acres; Luna Stage, a professional theatre company in the heart of the township's Valley Arts District; the Thomas Edison National Historic Site, which boasts 50,000 visits a year; and the West Orange Arts Center, which offers local artists the opportunity to showcase their work.



Community Spirit

Residents are the heart of our community. Township commissions, committees, civic and other organizations keep the community thriving with thousands of dedicated personnel and volunteers.



Parks & Recreation

The Township of West Orange offers a wide variety of recreation programs, activities, and special events, 12 parks, a full-service rec facility and an olympic-sized pool complex complete with splash pad, diving pool and snack facility. Sports programs from cheerleading and golf, to tennis and volleyball are offered year-round. The rec department also offers programs for children and adults with special needs.

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