YOUR GUIDE TO LIFE IN THE GRAND TRAVERSE REGION

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TRAVERSE CITY

MAKE YOURSELF **AT HOME**

HOUSING & REAL ESTATE: From country comfort to city living, the Grand Traverse area is home to a unique blend of housing options. Looking for the convenience, walkability, and amenities of living within city limits? Start your search in the neighborhoods of downtown Traverse City for single-family houses, rentals, condos, and more. Looking for the peace and quiet of a small town? The quaint villages sprinkled across the Grand Traverse region offer a combination of acreage, country charm, and even lakeside living! Discover the various housing options the region has to offer.

• A BEST PLACE TO LIVE IN MICHIGAN • Livability

CHILD CARE & SCHOOLS: From early childhood care to continuing education and professional development, discover the care and educational institutions available for you and your family. This webpage has a rundown of local child care facilities, public & private schools across the 5 counties, post-secondary education programs, and local organizations here to aid your search and provide the resources you need.

GET INVOLVED & FIND COMMUNITY: Making friends and finding your groove in a new place can be overwhelming. With so many incredible organizations, meetup groups, sports leagues, professional networks etc. in town, it can feel impossible to know where to start. This is the place to dive in.















"Helping people move here is a passion of mine because I know firsthand how easy it is to fall in love with our area."

> MEG ZAMMIT NORTHERN NAVIGATOR



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NORTHERN NAVIGATORS: Northern Navigators are 'regional ambassadors' who live in the Traverse City area and help newcomers feel welcome by introducing them to recreational opportunities, area schools, healthcare, local real estate and even career opportunities. <u>Connecting with a Northern Navigator</u> <u>is easy</u> – simply browse their profiles below and schedule one-on-one time to chat with them. Now go get connected!

• #1 BEST LAKE BEACH TOWN TO LIVE IN • WALLETHUB

FRESH COAST QUARTERLY CLUB: Join us for the <u>Fresh Coast Quarterly Club meetups</u> each season for a chance to gather in a welcoming space with other folks living in the region, as well as being a great way for remote workers and newcomers to the region to get plugged into a network, meet new people, and experience the unique lifestyle destinations of the region.what you're looking for.

STORIES FROM NEWCOMERS

"We reached out to multiple Chamber of Commerce organizations in Michigan, but it was the Michigan's Creative Coat program in Traverse City that stood out by providing us with excellent resources, including the outstanding Northern Navigators. They have proven to be an exceptional resource, and we enthusiastically recommend their services to everyone we meet."

HOLLY & GARRETT DEACON, RELOCATED FROM SOUTH CAROLINA





"Traverse City is a place for everyone. Regardless of your background or identity, the community offers a niche for everyone. By bringing in more diverse people, our region will thrive and inspire future generations to move to this area. This is not just a great place to visit, it is the perfect place to live."

MADELINE SAUCEDO, DIRECTOR OF FUND DEVELOPMENT AT TRAVERSE BAY CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER & <u>NORTHERN NAVIGATOR</u>



"People here choose to engage and to show up, and, in a town this size, that kind of engagement—whether it's grassroots or governmental, a small business or a tech startup—affects real change. When this happens in big cities, you don't always get to see it or know that it's happening. Here, you do."

ROGER AMUNDSEN, FREELANCE ARTIST & <u>NORTHERN NAVIGATOR</u>