VISITING MONROE COUNTY

VISITOR RESOURCES

BLOOMINGTON VISITORS CENTER
Visitor information, Bloomington gifts and apparel, self-guided walking tours.
2855 N. Walnut St.; 812-334-8900 or 800-800-0037; visitbloomington.com

DOWNTOWN VISITORS CENTER & BCT BOX OFFICE
114 E. Kirkwood Ave.; 812-323-3020; bctboxoffice.org

IU VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER
900 E. 7th St.; 812-856-GOIU (4648); visitorcenter.indiana.edu

BUSINESS RESOURCES

BLOOMINGTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
1720 N. Kinser Pike, Suite 001; 812-335-7346; bloomingtonedc.com

GREATER BLOOMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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ELLETTSVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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The Indiana Limestone industry began in Stinesville in the late 1820s. Indiana Limestone is part of notable structures like the Empire State Building, the Pentagon, and the Lincoln Memorial.

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KEY SITES & DISTRICTS

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401 N. Morton St.; 812-349-3400; bloomington.in.gov

BLOOMINGTON ENTERTAINMENT & ARTS DISTRICT
812-349-3534; visitbead.com

DOWNTOWN BLOOMINGTON, INC.
812-336-3681; downtownbloomington.com

MONROE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 W. Kirkwood Ave.; 812-349-2550; co.monroe.in.us

MONROE CONVENTION CENTER
302 S. College Ave.; 812-336-3681; bloomingtonconvention.com

POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS *(ESTIMATED)*

POPULATION OF MONROE COUNTY:

145,000

- **6,500** *residents of Ellettsville*
- **41,000** *City of Bloomington permanent residents*
- **43,000** *students at Indiana University*
- **54,500** *residents outside city limits*

28.7
Median Age of Monroe County

45%
Have a Bachelor's Degree or higher

U.S. Census Bureau & Hoosiers By The Numbers (2015). Population rounded to nearest thousand.

TRANSPORTATION

BLOOMINGTON TRANSIT
Bloomington's public transportation system provides several convenient bus routes to take you throughout the city of Bloomington. Cash fares are one dollar per person.
301 S. Walnut St.; 812-336-7433; ***bloomingtontransit.com***

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Indiana University's Campus Bus Service provides free transportation around the IU campus.
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Paid visitor parking is available in select lots and garages on the IU campus, and daily IU parking passes can be purchased at the Bloomington Visitors Center, which are valid in all lots.

For more details, visit the transportation page on ***visitbloomington.com***

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GETTING HERE

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MOVING TO BLOOMINGTON

BLOOMINGTON NEWCOMERS CLUB
Giving new residents an opportunity to meet others who are also new to town, and encouraging members to learn more about the area.
bloomingtonnewcomers.org

CHOOSING A HOME
Explore the Bloomington Board of Realtors website at ***homefinder.org*** for current home listings in Monroe County.

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For more information, request a New Residents Guide or a Retirement Guide at ***visitbloomington.com***

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NEIGHBORING TOWNS IN MONROE COUNTY

ELLETTSVILLE
Just seven miles west of Bloomington, Ellettsville is known for a hometown atmosphere and as a center of the local limestone industry. There you'll find unique restaurants and shopping, and special events including the Indiana Limestone Symposium each June, the Monroe County Fall Festival in September, and the Hilly Hundred Bicycle Tour in October.
Chamber of Commerce: 812-876-6611; ***ellettsvillechamber.org***

HARRODSBURG
Just 12 miles south of Bloomington, near Monroe Lake, is the town of Harrodsburg. First established in 1837, this small town is host to the Heritage Days Festival the third weekend in May.

SMITHVILLE
Also in the southern part of the county is the town of Smithville. This town is close to Monroe Lake, and a great stopping point on the way to Fairfax SRA, especially on Saturdays in warmer months when they have their weekly farmers' market.

STINESVILLE
Incorporated in 1855, this quaint small town is 11 miles northwest of Bloomington. It was once at the center of a thriving Indiana limestone industry, evidence of which can still be seen as you drive along the curvy country roads around town. Plan a visit during the Stone Quarry Festival in late September.

HERITAGE TRAIL IN ELLETTSVILLE, IN

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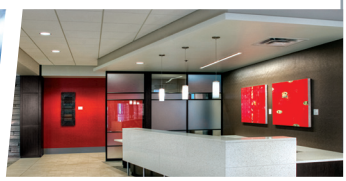
EVENTS VENUE



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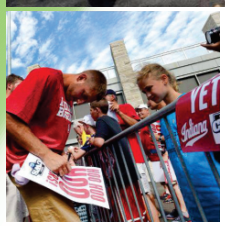

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