



TENNESSEE RELOCATION GUIDE

Moving to Tennessee

A short, simple guide to settling into life in the Volunteer State

Tennessee at a Glance

Tennessee blends mountains, music, low taxes, and friendly towns. You get four seasons, no state income tax, and a lower cost of living than many coastal states.

\$0 State Income Tax	4 Full Seasons	Lower Cost of Living	Mtns & Music Signature Scene
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Choosing Your Tennessee City

Nashville

MUSIC • TECH • GROWTH

Music, tech, fast growth, higher housing costs.

Knoxville

OUTDOORSY • AFFORDABLE

Near the Smokies, outdoorsy, affordable.

Chattanooga

SCENIC • WALKABLE

Scenic, walkable, strong outdoor culture.

Memphis

BLUES • BBQ • AFFORDABLE

Blues, BBQ, very affordable housing.

Clarksville

MILITARY • SUBURBAN

Military community, suburban growth, budget-friendly.

Moving Basics

Cost of Living	Lower than national average.
Housing	Mix of new builds and historic homes.
Weather	Hot summers, mild winters.
Taxes	No state income tax.
Transportation	Car-friendly.

Lifestyle & Culture

Outdoor Life	Mountains, lakes, hiking.
Music	Country, blues, rock.
Food	Hot chicken, BBQ.
Culture	Friendly, welcoming communities.

Settling In: What To Do When You Arrive

Use this checklist to get fully set up in Tennessee.

☐ **Get your TN driver's license**

tn.gov/safety/driver-services

☐ **Register your vehicle**

tn.gov/revenue/title-and-registration

☐ **Set up utilities**

Nashville Electric Service: nespower.com

Knoxville Utilities Board: kub.org

Memphis Light, Gas & Water: mlgw.com

☐ **Choose a healthcare provider**

TN Health Provider Search: tn.gov/health



☐ **Update your address**

USPS Change of Address: moversguide.usps.com

☐ **Find local grocery spots**

Kroger: [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com)

Publix: [publix.com](https://www.publix.com)

Aldi: [aldi.us](https://www.aldi.us)

☐ **Explore your neighborhood**

Google Maps: maps.google.com

☐ **Try iconic TN food**

Nashville Hot Chicken Guide: [visitmusiccity.com](https://www.visitmusiccity.com)

☐ **Visit a state park**

TN State Parks: tnstateparks.com

☐ **Meet your neighbors**

Nextdoor: nextdoor.com

☐ **Locate your nearest DMV**

TN DMV Locator: tn.gov/safety/driver-services/locations

☐ **Check local Facebook groups**

Facebook Groups: facebook.com/groups

☐ **Find a primary vet if you have pets**

TN Vet Directory: tnvma.org

☐ **Learn recycling rules**

TN Recycling Info: tn.gov/environment

☐ **Discover local events**

Eventbrite Tennessee: eventbrite.com/d/tn--nashville/events



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