



Parc Internationale in Downtown Lafayette

Downtown Lafayette

Over the past few years, Downtown Lafayette has seen a huge revival of interest in the arts, culture, and music scene unique to this area. Renovations to the streets, sidewalks, and vacant buildings have turned this once-floundering section into a thriving cultural scene. Locals and tourists alike enjoy the many festivals held in the two parks located downtown; in fact the largest of these, Festival International, was named one of the top ten festivals in the world by the *National Geographic Adventurer*. From the legendary Downtown Alive! celebrations on Friday nights to the Children's and Natural Science and History Museums, there's something for everyone in Downtown Lafayette.

Facts:



Boundaries: Hwy. 93, Johnston Street, US 90, Hwy. 90

Description: From the historic downtown area to the Cajundome Convention Center, Area G-3 has much to offer, including the oldest neighborhoods in Lafayette Parish, numerous historical buildings, and a developing research park (a joint project between the University of Louisiana at Lafayette and the Lafayette Economic Development Authority). Housing one of the most sophisticated 3-D imaging computers in the world at the Acadiana Technology Immersion Center, the research park will ensure economic growth to this area.

Neighborhoods: Acadiana Place, Acadiana Plaza, Ambassador Square, Belle Chase, Belle Terre, Bell Heights, Boring Woods, Bradford Place, Brookhaven, Comeaux Place, Cornay Addition, Elmhurst Park, Fairfield, Foreman Place, Fox Chase, Heather Oaks, Holden Heights, Hopkins Addition, Hornsby Addition, Idlewood Park, Judice Meadows, McComb Addition, Nezida Roy, Oakbend, Oaklawn Heights, Oakshire Estates, Plaza Village, Tanglewood, Villa Hernandez, West End Heights

Hospitals: Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center, Southwest Medical Center, Cardiovascular Institute of the South, University Medical Center

Fire Stations: Station #1 at Johnston Street and East Vermillion Street, Station #11 near the intersection of Ambassador Caffery and Bertrand

Perks: Parc Internationale, Parc Sans Souci, Natural History Museum, Children's Museum, Lafayette Museum/Alexandre Mouton House, Acadiana Center for the Arts, Cajundome, Cajundome Convention Center, Lafayette Regional Vo-Tech, Oaklawn Park, Chargois Park, Neyland Park, public library (main branch)

Health Clubs: Lourdes Health Center, The Chat Room, Personally Fit



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