



# PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA



Named the “Best Place to Retire in West Virginia in 2018” by USA Today, Parkersburg, West Virginia is situated at the junction of the Ohio and Little Kanawha rivers. From its earnest beginnings, it soon became a major industrial hub for the Ohio Valley. Rich in natural resources, abundant industrial sites, and easily accessible by water and railway transportation, Parkersburg provides the perfect place for new business to emerge.



## Fast Facts:

- Home to Mountain State College and West Virginia University at Parkersburg.
- Known as the “Savings Bond Capital of America”, Parkersburg headquarters the Federal Bureau of the Fiscal Service.
- Served by Camden Clark Medical Center; rated high performing in two adult procedures and conditions by U.S. News and World Report.
- Blennerhassett Island Historical State Park features a mansion and museum that is accessed by sternwheeler riverboat.
- Holds the largest functioning historic district in the state.
- Home to the annual Mid-Ohio Valley Multicultural Festival.
- Opened in 1972, the Grand Central Mall was once the only enclosed mall in the Mid-Ohio Valley Region.
- North Bend State Park is a hub for outdoor activities that include hiking, biking, fishing, kayaking, and more.
- At Burning Springs, the world’s oldest producing oil well is found.
- Home to multiple local wineries and vineyards.
- Parkersburg was settled in the 18th century on land granted to Alexander Parker for his service in the American Revolutionary War.

