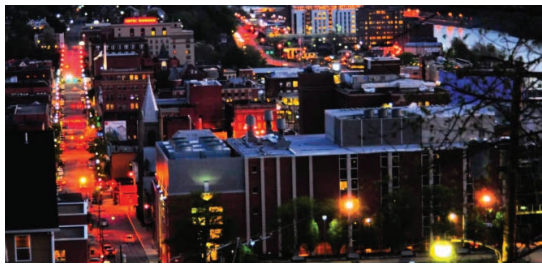




MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA



On the banks of the Monongahela River lay a much sought after territory. After numerous conflicts with the English, French and Native American Indians over the area now known as Morgantown, the land was finally awarded to the English and began permanent settlement in the late 1700's. Morgantown now shines as a focal point for education, research, industry, health, business, and community in the region.



Fast Facts:

- Colonel Zackquill Morgan of the French and Indian War and the American Revolutionary War founded Morgantown in 1767.
- Morgantown is within a 500 mile radius of half of the nation's population.
- The Metropolitan Theater opened in 1924 and is a scaled down version of New York City's Metropolitan Opera House.
- Dorsey's Knob rises about 600 feet above the surrounding landscape, making it about the height of the Washington Monument.
- Morgantown is home to West Virginia University, founded in 1867 as the West Virginia Agricultural College.
- On game days, Mountaineer Field becomes the largest city in West Virginia. It can hold a little over 65,000 people.
- During the 1970's, the US Department of Transportation built a (PRT) Personal Rapid Transit system to move students around the campus. It is the only one of its kind in the United States.
- West Virginia University has an award winning hospital system.
- Morgantown High is the largest high school in the state with nearly 2,000 students.
- The West Virginia Botanic Garden is located in Morgantown on an 82 acre property.
- The Mountaineer Balloon Festival is held annually at Mylan Park.
- In 2017, Morgantown was ranked #58 on Forbes Best Small Places for Business and Careers.
- The city is a Nationally Accredited Retirement Community.

