

Quality of Life



Sullivan County, Tenn., and its communities of Kingsport, Bristol and Bluff City offers a refreshing alternative for newcomers by combining small-town America with amenities and opportunities that are often found in much larger markets. This unique area is greatly appreciated by the warm, friendly people who live here.

The area's wide range of cultural opportunities includes performing arts, music and arts festivals, historic sites, museums, and professional and minor-league sports. A plethora of fine dining and shopping options are also available.

Those interested in outdoor activities can enjoy the area's mountains, rivers and lakes – all while doing so in moderate temperatures throughout most of the year. Our bright spring flowers and breathtaking fall mountain colors create highlight seasons for our region.

And with an average one-way commute to work of 20 minutes, residents have more time to enjoy leisurely activities. More than one-third of the area's population can commute to work in less than 15 minutes, while more than 75 percent of the workforce drives less than 30 minutes.

As an added incentive, the region is also recognized as one of the lowest cost-of-living areas in the nation, with residents free of state income and personal property taxes.