

## NATIONAL RECOGNITION

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|    | <b>Southern Living 2017</b> “The South’s 7th Best Small Town”                               |
|    | <b>Forbes 2016</b> “10th Best Small City for Jobs in the U.S.”                              |
|    | <b>Where to Retire 2016</b> “Top Place to Retire in the U.S.”                               |
|    | <b>24/7 Wall St. 2016</b> “Top 25 Cities People are Moving to.”                             |
|    | <b>Milken Institute 2016</b> “6th Best Performing City for Economic Growth in the U.S.”     |
|    | <b>Site Selection Magazine 2016</b> “6th Best Metro for Attracting Business in the U.S.”    |
|    | <b>WalletHub 2016</b> “45th Best College Town and 32nd Best Small College Town in the U.S.” |
|    | <b>Forbes 2015</b> “9th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”              |
|    | <b>Forbes 2015</b> “7th Best Small City for Jobs in the U.S.”                               |
|    | <b>Nerdwallet 2015</b> “One of the 100 Most Educated Cities in the U.S.”                    |
|    | <b>College Values Online 2015</b> “12th Best Small College Town in the U.S.”                |
|    | <b>Niche 2015</b> “3rd Best Town to Raise a Family in Alabama”                              |
|   | <b>NewGeography 2014</b> “4th Smartest City in the U.S. and Smartest City in Alabama”       |
|  | <b>Forbes 2014</b> “10th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”             |
|  | <b>Forbes 2014</b> “Top 25 City for Retirement in the U.S.”                                 |
|  | <b>Movoto Real Estate 2014</b> “Best City in Alabama”                                       |
|  | <b>Lumosity 2013</b> “Smartest City in Alabama and 44th Smartest City in the U.S.”          |
|  | <b>Forbes 2013</b> “18th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”             |
|  | <b>CNNMoney 2013</b> “22nd Best County for Job Growth in the U.S.”                          |
|  | <b>Forbes 2013</b> “10th Best Small City for Jobs in the U.S.”                              |
|  | <b>Forbes 2012</b> “17th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”             |
|  | <b>Livability 2011</b> “6th Best College Town in the U.S.”                                  |
|  | <b>Southern Living 2011</b> “One of the South’s Best College Towns”                         |
|  | <b>Businessweek 2011</b> “Best Affordable Place in Alabama”                                 |
|  | <b>Forbes 2010</b> “6th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”              |
|  | <b>Forbes 2009</b> “10th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”             |
|  | <b>U.S. News &amp; World Report 2009</b> “Top 10 Best Places to Live in the U.S.”           |