

## THE RELOCATING CANDIDATE'S GUIDE TO STANISLAUS COUNTY

Stanislaus County is a great place to live, work, and raise a family. If you're considering relocating to Stanislaus County it is our hope that this comprehensive mini guide will help you get started.



## CHOOSING A SCHOOL DISTRICT

Here's how the local school districts stack up against other California schools:

MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS

#36 of 753 in Most Diverse in CA #150 of 481 in Best Schools in CA TURLOCK UNIFIED

#115 of 753 in Most Diverse in CA #143 of 481 in Best Schools in CA OAKDALE UNIFIED

#10 of 486 in Best Schools for Athletes in CA #254 of 744 with the Best Teachers in CA



- Take in a Show at Gallo Center for the Arts, State Theatre of Modesto, Turlock Community Theatre, Denair Gaslight Community Conservatory, California State University, Stanislaus, Modesto Junior College or the West Side Theatre in Newman
- Show off Your Artistic Side by Painting at a Van Gogh and Vino Event, Decorating Pottery at Pottery Magic, Art Lessons at the Chartreuse Muse, and Drawing & Painting Lessons at the Mistlin Gallery
- Try Your Hand at Whisky Making at Do Good Distillery
- Hang Around Studio V for Aerial Pilates
- Sip the Good Life with Wine Tasting at Dewz, Stewart & Jasper, Angels, Redwood Café, Camp 4 Wine Cafe, Red Brick Bar & Grill, Rivi's Wine Bar and Most Wanted Wine Co.
- Groove to Live Music at Concerts in the Park in Ceres, Hughson, Modesto, Waterford and Oakdale
- Get Lost in a Local Festival: Porchfest, Oakdale Chocolate Festival, International Festival, Harvest Festival, Hughson Fruit and Nut Festival, Oktoberfest, Fat Tuesday, Riverbank Wine and Cheese, Ceres Street Faire, Taste of Oakdale, Patterson Apricot Festival, Turlock Tamale Festival
- Take a Bite Out of Stanislaus County's Finest at Farmers Markets in Ceres, Turlock, Modesto, Waterford, Patterson, Oakdale, and Riverbank

## THINGSTODO in STANISLAUS COUNTY

- Sample Craft Beer from Local Breweries: Dustbowl, Blaker Brewing Company, Last Call Brewing Company, or Commonwealth
- Go Country at the Oakdale Cowboy Museum and the Annual Oakdale Rodeo
- Feast Your Eyes on Art at Art Space on Main, the Carnegie Arts Center, the Mistlin Gallery, Modesto Junior College Art Gallery and the Art Walks in Turlock and Modesto
- Pick and Choose Your Bounty at Ott, Vanderhelm and R.A.M. You-Pick Farms
- Preserve Your Knowledge with a Class on Canning, Pickling, Cheese Making or Jams and Jellies with the Gypsy Cowgirl and at Bloomingcamp Ranch

- Mosey over to Macedo's Mini Acre to see alpacas, llamas, rabbits, and mini horses and learn how their hair can be turned into art with felting, spinning, knitting, and crochet classes
- Skate Circles Around Your Friends at Modesto on Ice and R.A.M. Farms
- Stun Your Senses with a Trip to Pageo Lavender Farms
- Catch a Buzz (literally) at Beekman & Beekman Farms with a taste of their Homemade Honey Wine and Honey Products
- Root, Root, Root for the Home Team at a Modesto Nuts Baseball Game
- Ride the Stanislaus River Rapids in Knights Ferry
- Soar to New Heights at the Stonehenge Rock Climbing Gym

- Witness Poetry in Motion at the Central West Ballet
- Get Back in the Saddle at Horseback Riding at Maxfield Equestrian, The Lazy S Ranch, Perrien Farms, Cornerstone Training, Shady Lawn Ranch, The Turlock Horseman's Club, and Lightacres
- Bring Music to Your Ears at the Modesto Symphony
- See a Movie Under the Stars at R.A.M. Farms, Graceada Park, or Cottles Wood Park in Oakdale
- Remember The Days Gone By with a Classic Mural Tour in Downtown Modesto
- Show Off Your Bubbly Side with Tresetti's Annual Champagne Tasting

## WHAT'S NEARBY



Less than a 2 hour drive away, world class destinations include:

- 1 Gold Country (55 miles/80 minutes)
- 2 San Francisco (84 miles/90 minutes)
- 3 Silicon Valley (87 miles/90 minutes)
- 4 Yosemite National Park (90 miles/2 hours)
- 5 Napa (105 miles/90 minutes)
- 6 The Beaches of Monterey and Santa Cruz (106 miles/1.75 hours)

Less than a day's drive:

- 7 Sequoia National Park (172 miles/3 hours)
- 8 Lake Tahoe (179 miles/3 hours)
- 9 Reno, Nevada (197 miles/3.25 hours)
- 10 Mount Shasta (291 miles/4.75 hours)
- 11 Hollywood (292 miles/4.75 hours)
- 12 Los Angeles (298 miles/5 hours)
- 13 Disneyland (324 miles/5.5 hours)
- 14 Redwood National Park (400 miles/7 hours)
- 15 San Diego (418 miles/7 hours)
- 16 Baja California, Mexico (452 miles/7.5 hours)
- 17 Oregon Coast (459 miles/8 hours)



Over 538,000 people live in Stanislaus County and fortunately there is lots of variety in where they choose to call home. The following showcases just some of the neighborhoods ideal for putting down roots.

### **OAKDALE**

Oakdale, a small town known as the Cowboy Capital of the World, is located about 15 miles northeast of Modesto and is nestled at the foot of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Oakdale takes pride in its community and is close to a variety of recreational activities such as water sports, fishing, camping, hiking, hunting, and snow skiing.

## DOWNTOWN TURLOCK

Home to California State University, Stanislaus, Turlock has a variety of housing options but few are as compelling as the neighborhoods surrounding Turlock High School and Crane Park.

## **COLLEGE AREA, MODESTO**

The homes in the vicinity of Modesto Junior College are often referred to as the college area. The neighborhood is known for fantastic and unique older homes and its proximity to both downtown and Graceada Park. Residents enjoy membership in the College Area Neighborhood Alliance, an association focused on the safety and quality of life for the region.

APARTMENT LIVING

Those looking for smaller digs with less upkeep have a lot of options for apartments in Stanislaus County. Average monthly rent runs about \$1,000 a month with amenities ranging from dog parks to gyms to state-of-the art appliances. Standouts include Sierra Oaks in Turlock and The Villas at Villagio in Modesto.

The Median
Single-Family Home
Sale Price in Stanislaus
County, CA is \$308,000
compared to \$980,000 in the
Bay Area or \$564,831- the
average in the state of
California.

## **DEL RIO**

Del Rio is an affluent community in north Modesto. It is adjacent to the Del Rio Country Club, a private club with a storied 27-hole golf course, restaurant, and bar. Known for its safety and scenery, Del Rio is popular with residents looking for a luxurious lifestyle.

The following realtors were rated highest on both homelight.com and Zillow.com:

Aaron West PMZ Real Estate (209) 661.7679 Jeff Purcell Home Buyers Realty (209) 583.5862

Tami Gosselin Century 21 M&M and Assoc. (209) 606.3864 David Allan PMZ Real Estate (209) 408.1145



## WEATHER

Stanislaus County is blessed with 260 days of sunshine a year on average. The U.S. average is 205.

Sperling's Weather Comfort Index for Modesto is a 84 out of 100.

The U.S. average for the comfort index is 54.

A higher score indicates a more comfortable year-round climate.

The most monthly precipitation occurs in January with 2.6 inches of rain, on average.

Site: bestplaces.net; U.S. Climate Data

# Fast Facts About TRAFILC In Stanislaus County

Due to strategic local planning Stanislaus County traffic has been able to keep pace with population growth. And with the passage of Measure L and the ACE train set to serve the area, transportation will become even more simplified. Here's a look at local transportation data:

- 80.2% of Stanislaus County commuters do so alone
- Nearly 15,000 people in Stanislaus County get to work via biking or walking
- As of 2017 there were 347,728 licensed drivers in Stanislaus County
- 4.1% of the population works from home or telecommutes
- The average Stanislaus County resident has a commute time of 27 minutes

Site: California Department of Transportation

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## HEALTHCARE IN THE STANISLAUS COUNTY REGION

## **Doctors Medical Center**

1441 Florida Avenue Modesto dmc-modesto.com

## Oak Valley District Hospital

350 S. Oak Avenue Oakdale oakvalleycares.org

## **Emanuel Medical Center, Inc.**

825 Delbon Avenue
Turlock
emanuelmedicalcenter.org

## **Kaiser Permanente**

4601 Dale Road Modesto kaiserpermanente.org

## **Memorial Hospital Medical Center**

1700 Coffee Road Modesto memorialmedicalcenter.org

## Valley Children's Hospital

9300 Valley Children's Place Madera valleychildrens.org

## 5 LOCAL PLACES TO SHOP

**FOR GIFTS** 

Farmhouse
311 E. Main Street
Turlock
FarmHouseExchange.com

FOR APPLIANCES

Direct Appliance 2424 McHenry Avenue Modesto Directappliance.com FOR FURNITURE

Slater's Home Furnishings 1605 J Street Modesto Slatershome.com FOR THE WOMAN
IN YOUR LIFE

I Love Paris 325 E F St C Oakdale FOR GARDENING & CHRISTMAS DÉCOR

Morris Nursery, 1837 Patterson Road Riverbank MorrisNursery.com

