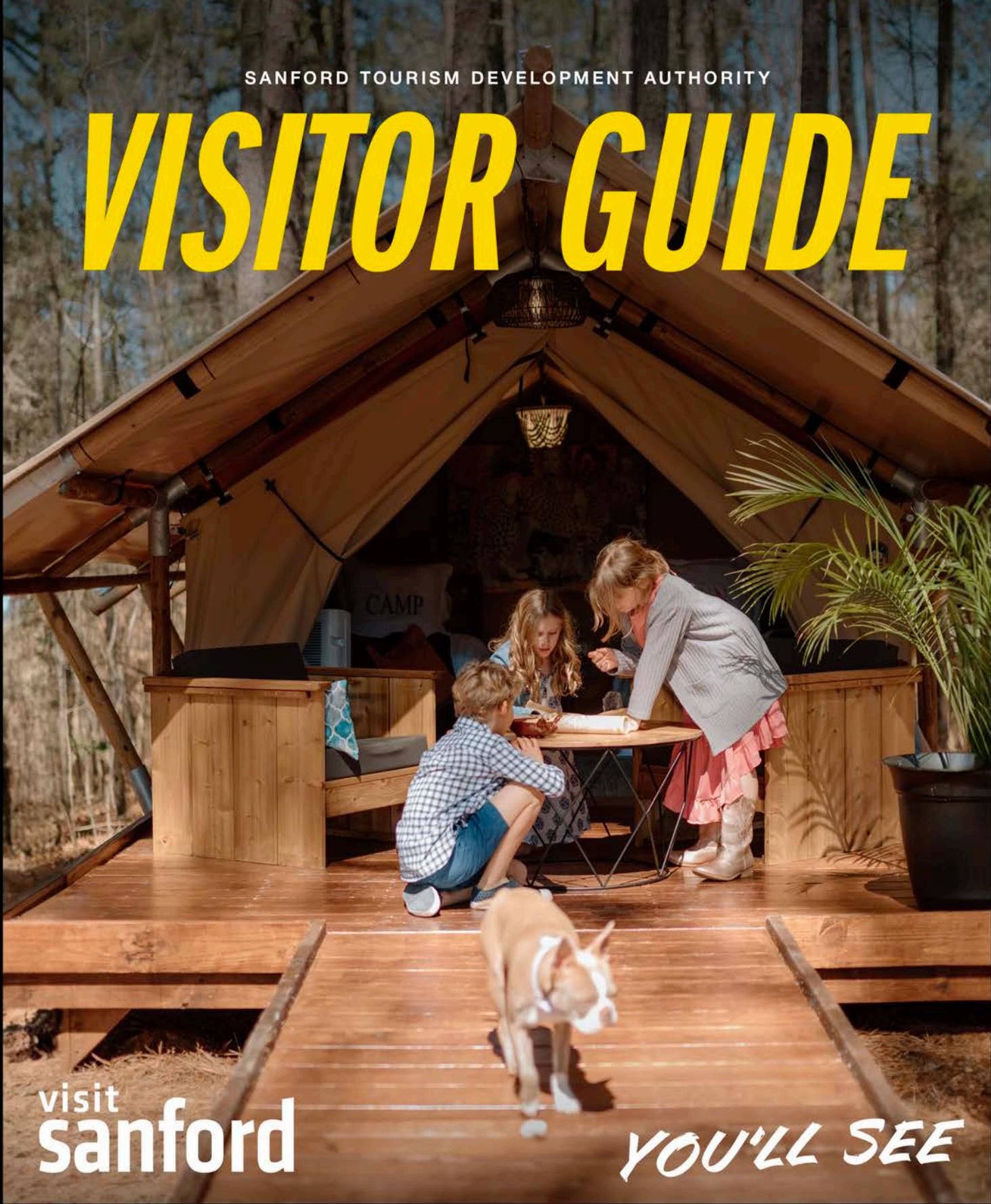


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VISITOR GUIDE



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THE TOP TEN THINGS TO DO & SEE IN SANFORD

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goodness
at the Sanford
Farmers' Market
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How can a place that was once a simple crossroads in a one-stop railroad town transform into such a dynamic and vibrant visitor destination that continues to thrive and expand?

It seems to be a question on a lot of peoples' minds.

Here in Sanford, shotgun festivals, liquor crank-ups, and BBQ cook-offs live alongside Broadway shows, river rides, mountain trails, and long drives (both golf and byways.) It is a surprising mix of wonderful experiences.

But the real secret sauce is found in the heart and soul of this community. Sanford is a wave to a stranger, an extra seat at the table, a home to makers, movers, and magical moments. We're neighbors and friends who've been around long enough to gladly show you around, invite you over for a delicious meal, and leave you wanting even more.

When visiting Sanford, you're in for a treat that's unlike anything else. Our hope is that you truly dig into the experiences awaiting you here and return home safely with lots of great stories and memories to share. Through the pages of this guide, we invite you to discover the many ways to explore our area and find the adventures that delight and surprise you. If you need help planning your stay, we're experts at insider tips and recommendations! Just stop in at the Visit Sanford Welcome Center, located at 229 Carthage Street, and we'll do the rest.

When you're here, don't be afraid to break the rules of a traditional getaway – we are breaking rules and records ourselves! Dare to do things differently to boldly experience lasting and treasured traditions, whether you're visiting Downtown Sanford, taking a trip down the Deep River, trying your hand at shooting clays or swinging a club at a renowned golf course.

At this point, if you're wondering how a trip to Sanford could be as remarkable as we're making it out to be, we just have two words for you.

You'll see.

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OUR BEST EVENTS YOU'LL SEE

Plan your trip around one or more of our signature events. From holiday celebrations to live concerts to street fairs and cultural celebrations.

APRIL

Broadway Our Way

Hit the streets for a fun-filled festival featuring a street fair, live entertainment, delicious food, kids' activities and so much more!

Sanford Farmers' Market

Open from late April to mid-November, the Sanford Farmers' Market gives visitors a whopping "taste" of local freshness.

The Southern Side by Side

Marksmen from around the world compete for a silver trophy and bragging rights at this championship and exhibition every spring.

MAY

Ole Gilliam Mill Crank Up

Old machinery comes to life, performing tasks from yesteryear. Watch a blacksmith at work, take a tour in a Model A and much more.

Strawberry Jammin'

Dive into everything strawberries. See canning and preserving demonstrations, food and cocktail crawls featuring downtown restaurants and visit vendors and special guests.



SEPTEMBER

Lee County Agricultural Fair

This award-winning event is the county's largest. Rides, games and more for a family-friendly, fantastic time.

OCTOBER

Downtown Sanford Streetfest & Fireworks

Enjoy an entire day filled with music, art, entertainment, and food and beverage trucks, capped off by a finale of fireworks.

Boo & Brew Ghost Tour

Have a spooky good time with a local ghost story, a guided historical tour and a haunted pub crawl.

Downtown Sanford Trick-or-Treating

Bring your little ghosts and goblins out for some safe trick-or-treating where local businesses invite families in for sweet treats and costume contests.

NOVEMBER

Holiday Open House

Kick off the holiday shopping season as local retail shops roll out the welcome mat for shoppers.

Small Business Saturday

Skip the crazy Black Friday crowds and support local by shopping Small Business Saturday!

Downtown Train and Tree Lighting

Spark up the holiday spirit as Depot Park and Downtown Sanford transform into a sparkling Christmas wonderland!

DECEMBER

Sanford & Broadway Christmas Parades

Don't miss out on these seasonal events featuring marching bands, festive floats and of course, Santa Claus!

Taylor Phillips Benefit Concert

Singer, songwriter and Sanford native, Taylor Phillips performs in this annual Taylor Phillips HITS Lee County with Friends Benefit Concert.



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THROUGHOUT

Carolina Indie Fest

Jam out to national headliners and independent artists. Look to enjoy this two-day music fest in the spring and fall.

Downtown Alive!

Every spring and fall, the streets of Downtown Sanford fill with live music as free concerts take center stage to kick-off seasonal events.

Summer Concerts

City Summer Concert Series, the music keeps rockin' at Kiwanis Family Park throughout the summer vacation season.



Calendar



You'll know you're in the right place in Downtown Sanford, the hub of excitement and activity.

***DOWNTOWN SANFORD, INC.
BUCKET LIST***

Swing on Moore Street

Good times are in full swing on Moore Street where you can enjoy a lovely break from exploring on a bench swing overlooking The Depot.



Post a Charlie Watson Lane Selfie

Here's where you'll find two interactive murals that are truly Instagram-worthy: "Wings" (pg. 10) and the "Before I Die" resolutions interactive public art. Pose for pic in front of the sculpture arch gateway as well.



All Aboard Train Scavenger Hunt

Explore downtown Sanford while on the hunt for 12 miniature bronze train replicas of the No. 12 Locomotive in Depot Park. Pick up your train passport at the Welcome Center



Picnic in Depot Park

Dine al fresco on the nice green lawn at Depot Park and take in the sights of the No. 12 Locomotive, the historic railroad house and the beautiful, interactive fountain.

Grab drinks on the Lager Jogger Trail

If you love beer, there are two stops on this trail you won't want to miss: Huger Muger Brewing (pg. 13) and Wild Dogs Brewing (pg. 13).



Explore the Mural Art Trail

Take a stroll all over downtown to marvel at the beauty of thirteen outdoor murals celebrating Sanford's history and culture (pg. 10).

Savor the Best Bites of Downtown

Find good food around every corner at restaurants, coffee shops and other delicious eateries. For the best of the best, see our Downtown Foodie Picks (pg. 5) from the Downtown Sanford, Inc. staff.

Settle In and See a Show

When the curtain goes up at Temple Theatre (pg. 8), make sure you're front row center for some of the most dazzling and entertaining shows in Central North Carolina.



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ANTIQUÉ TREASURES

A Few Nice Things, Inc.

Pottery, glassware, art, antiques and a friendly staff eager to help you shop, all in one charming place.

Bert's Furniture

A hidden gem selling used and refurbished furniture to give your living space a vintage feel.

Junk N Java

Shop unique vintage furniture and other treasures while enjoying a cup of coffee.

Sanford Antique Mall

Swing by and shop an 18,000 sq.-ft. showroom with 75 unique dealers.

Vineland & Hickory

Get renewed and hand-painted furniture and furnishings at this design studio and showroom.

THRIFT STORE STROLL

Lee PTO Thrift Store

303 S. Steele Street

Salvation Army Thrift Store

305 S. Steele Street

Habitat ReStore

405 Wicker Street

Divine Finds

511 Wicker Street

DOWNTOWN FOODIE PICKS

- **The Milkshake Cake**
Mrs. Lacy's Magnolia
- **Big Bird Soup**
Kathy's Java Express
- **Beef Tips**
The Flame
Steakhouse
- **Pokey's Favorite**
Fairview Dairy Bar
- **The Café Choice Sandwich or Salad**
Fresh Choice Café.
- **Country Ham & Biscuit**
Big T's Restaurant
- **Cheese Dogs**
Scoops Hotdogs
- **Hey Buddy Golden Ale**
Hugger Mugger
Brewing
- **Chocolate Glazed Donut**
Sandra's Bakery
- **The Kitchen Sink**
Millie's Mama Bakes
- **Carnitas Tacos & Collard Greens**
Smoke and Barrel
- **Salty Egg Pizza**
Local Joe's Tap & Grill
- **The California Roll**
Ichiban
- **Steak Sandwich or Bowl**
La Dolce Vita
- **Wee Heavy Scotch Ale**
Wild Dogs Brewing
- **Seasonal Signature Cocktails**
Libations 139
- **Pimento Cheese Biscuit**
Buttermilk
Biscuit Bar
- **Mollies Folly**
Yarborough's
- **The Daily Drip**
Family Grounds
- **Chicken Bacon Ranch**
Pies Pizza
- **Featured Smoothies**
Nutrition Club





BROADWAY

Founded in the late 1800s, Broadway is the quintessential small town, growing in popularity thanks to annual events like Broadway Our Way and attractions like the NC Veterans Memorial Pavilion.

VISIT

Watson Lake: Paved trail, Pet amenities, Playground, Free fishing. NC Veterans Memorial Complex

Historic Jonesboro retains a distinctive charm all its own. Explore Main Street to discover unique local businesses as well as two impressive stops on the Sanford Mural Art Trail.

VISIT

Main Street: A.A.F. Seawell House and Historical Marker (1864-1950) Mural Art Trail: Dream & Jonesboro Cornet Band



JONESBORO

Located between Sanford, Tramway and the Upper Little River, this small community is home to the Lemon Springs Community Park, host of the annual Fall Turkey Shoot.

VISIT

Lemon Springs Community Park: Play area, Picnic area, Fall Turkey Shoot



LEMON SPRINGS

The Deep River is a tributary of the Cape Fear River, approximately 125 miles long. Deep River is a translation of the Indian name "Sapponah," meaning "a deep river." Paddling is popular on the river.

VISIT

Observation porch at Raleigh ExecJet Airport. Camelback Bridge. Kayak launch.



DEEP RIVER

FUNNEST FAMILY FUN

Bring the kids and revel in Sanford experiences the whole family can enjoy.

FUN ACTIVITIES & SPACES

All Aboard Train Scavenger Hunt

Explore downtown Sanford while on the hunt for 12 miniature bronze train replicas of the Number 12 Locomotive in Depot Park.

Kiwanis Children's Park

Discover an inclusive playground accessible to children of all abilities, a walking trail, picnic shelters, splash pad, tennis & pickleball courts, and much more.

San-Lee Park Nature Center

Learn more about your wildest neighbors while getting an up-close look at rescued mammals, reptiles, fish and birds of prey.

Broadway Town Park

Spend a lovely afternoon with friends and family at a park with something for everyone! Swings for kids, a lake for kayaking and a paved trail for walking and running.

Rod, Reel & Tackle Fishing Program

Reel in a great opportunity for young, would-be fishing enthusiasts! All year round at San-Lee Park, children can check out rods, reels and tackle to try their hand at America's #1 sport.

Lemon Springs Community Park

With a history of bringing the community together, Lemon Springs offers parkgoers a ball field for games, benches, a volleyball net, a walking trail and a clubhouse for events and gatherings.



City of Sanford Splash Pad

Cool off on those hot vacation days at the city's splash pad. Your kids will simply love the bright and colorful features of this park.

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THE BEST ARTS & MUSIC SCENE EVER

The arts are alive and thriving in Sanford, NC! Creativity abounds and astounds from sprawling outdoor murals to engaging live theater performed on a stage steeped in history.



THE ARTS

Temple Theatre

For over 39 years, Temple has served as Central Carolina's premier professional theatre. Snag tickets for professional, high-quality productions year-round from musicals to concerts to stage plays.

The Mann Center

A home for the visual arts, live performances and community events, The Mann Center is one of Sanford's go-to spots for creativity on display. It boasts a 300-seat auditorium as well as various meeting and event spaces. The Mann Center is also home to Brush & Palette's extensive gallery.

Oxide Gallery or Fine Art

Experience curated monthly exhibitions from artists across North Carolina, shop fine art gifts by local and regional artists and attend special events at this nonprofit art gallery.

DK Clay Pottery

Visit one of the largest pottery studios in North Carolina. Through the glass walls separating the gallery from the working studio, you can view skilled potters at work and witness the craftsmanship that goes into each creation.

Barefoot Clay Pottery

Offering a selection of handmade, wood-fired pottery, this local gem operates out of Ole Gilliam Mill, where several artists work on a variety of objects against a historic backdrop.

Sanford Brush & Palette Club

Founded in 1964, the Brush & Palette Club has evolved into a membership of more than one hundred diverse artists while upholding the belief that fellowship and education are vital to artistic growth. Take part in workshops, attend art shows, and connect with fellow art lovers.



THE MUSIC

Lee County Orchestra

Revel in the classic sounds of our local orchestra for free! The Lee County Community Orchestra brings together volunteer musicians of various ages and musical backgrounds to make beautiful music. The orchestra performs public concerts featuring classical, semi-classical and popular compositions.

leecountycommunityorchestra.com



The Depot

Renovations, to make this premier venue even better, will have it closed for the next few years.

The Depot will return to play host to concerts and musical performances throughout the year.

Downtown Alive!

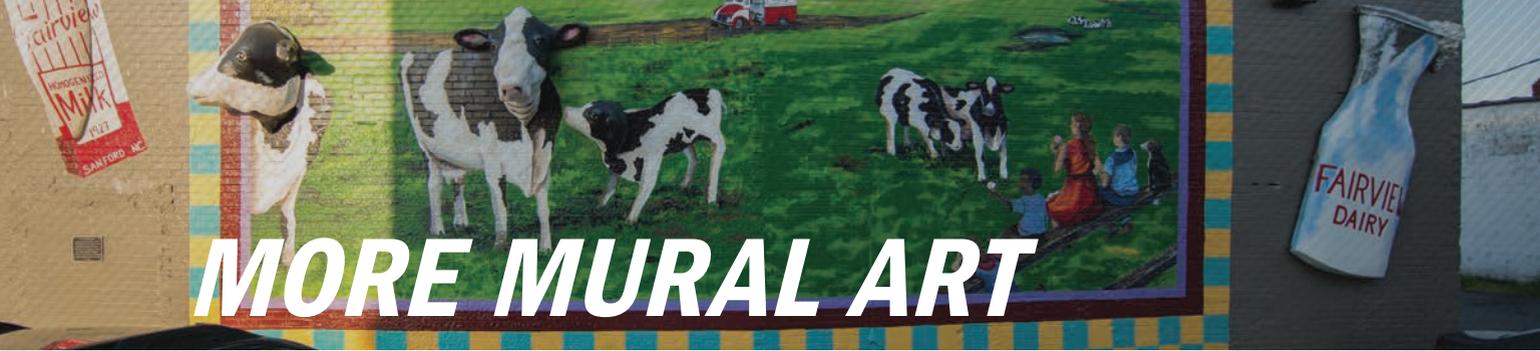
If it's free concerts you're after then we certainly hope to see you in Sanford for a regular series of local bands performing everything from bluegrass to rock n' roll. Concerts, special events, market days and more are all part of the Downtown Alive! experience.

City Summer Concert Series

The City of Sanford's parks department offers a summer of music to encourage families get out and enjoy the local parks. Bring your chairs or blankets and a picnic.

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MORE MURAL ART

Soak up the rich history and unique culture of Sanford and Lee County by appreciating the beauty, breadth and depth of our Mural Arts Trail.

'Off to War' World War II Tribute

"Off to War" honors the men and women of Sanford and Lee County who have and continue to serve and protect our country.

Steve Jones

Honors hometown football Hall of Famer Steve Jones who played for the Buffalo Bills and the St. Louis Cardinals.

Herb Thomas & the Fabulous Hudson Hornet



See an artistic rendering of Herb Thomas and his Fabulous Hudson Hornet. Inducted into various halls of fame, Thomas

is recognized as one of NASCAR's greatest drivers

Piedmont Blues



Depicts Floyd Council and Pink Anderson, two great blues musicians with strong ties to Sanford.

Bee City USA - Pollinator Garden

This artwork honors the pollinator while celebrating the City of Sanford being named a Bee City in April of 2023

Silent Wings

Honoring Lee Roy Perry, Frank Blalock Sr. and 'Bucky' Williams, this work of art features portraits of the World War II glider pilots and the aircraft they flew.

J.D. McDuffie

Honors a bona fide NASCAR legend with 653 cup starts and 106 top-10 finishes during his career.

Sanford Spinners

"Sanford Spinners" recognizes the athletes who played for the Tobacco State League baseball team during the late 1940s and portrays champion pitcher, Howard Auman.



Tobacco Mural

This unique piece celebrates Sanford's rich agricultural past, present and future and features a 3-D image of tobacco plants and a mule.

Bringing the Arts Together

Celebrating over 50 years of the arts in Sanford, this dynamic display highlights the vibrant mix of arts that make for an attractive travel destination.

Visionary Builders

Catch this mural honoring Link Boykin, builder and business owner who built many of Sanford's historic homes, and W.B. Wicker, educator and first principal of South Sanford Grade School.

Fairview Dairy

Yarborough's Homemade Ice Cream shop is home to the first 3-D mural in North Carolina honoring the history of Fairview Dairy which provided all of Sanford's milk in the early 1900s.

DREAM

Commissioned to spark imagination in viewers both young and old, this whimsical work features flying pigs gliding over a pastoral landscape.

Jonesboro Cornet Band

As a tribute to the historic Jonesboro music group, formed when Sanford and Jonesboro were still separate cities, this mural captures the band as it was in 1905.



Wings

Give yourself beautiful, butterfly wings by snapping a pic in front of this 15-ft. interactive piece adorning a downtown Sanford wall near S. Steele St.



Mary Margaret McLeod Mural

This 40 ft. long mural honors Dr. Mary Margaret McLeod, who started the first pediatric medical practice in Sanford in 1946 and was the first woman to do so. At its peak, the practice served 21,290 children.

YOU'LL SEE

THE RICHEST HISTORY

Dive into the Revolutionary and Civil War history of Sanford and Lee County with visits to prominent landmarks, buildings and monuments.

HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

W.B. Wicker School

This historic building dates back to 1927. It once served as Sanford and Lee County's African American high school until it was decommissioned in 1969.

Lee County Courthouse

Built in 1908 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1979, the Lee County Courthouse is a prime example of the Classical Revival-style of architecture.



The Historic Railroad House

A visit to the Railroad House takes us back to days of high adventure on the rails. Built in 1872, it's the oldest structure in Sanford and now serves as a museum dedicated to Sanford's railroad history.

Endor Iron Furnace

Explore the ruins of an American Civil War iron forge constructed between 1862 and 1864. The furnace was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974.

House in the Horseshoe

Named for its location on the horseshoe bend of the Deep River, this plantation home features antiques from the colonial and Revolutionary War eras.



Ole Gilliam Mill Park

This park is home to a reproduction of the original Gilliam Mill constructed in 1850. Every year, the park cranks up its old equipment and runs mill demonstrations for the public with fun activities for the family.

TASTIEST FOOD & DRINKS

We hope you've brought your appetite! Sanford and Lee County are always in good taste with a restaurant and brewery scene that truly amazes.

BBQ TRAIL

Brannan Schlitz BBQ

Catherine Ann's Grill

**Ron's Barn Barbecue
& Seafood**

Smoke and Barrel

Stubbs & Sons BBQ

**Woodard Family
BBQ & Grill**



Scan to View BBQ Trail

TACO TRAIL

Fonda Lupita

**Los Charros Mexican
Restaurant**

**Aye! Toro Tacos
& Tequila**

**A Toda Madre
Mexican Grill**

Mariscos No. Juan

Tacos El Primo

**La Esperanza
Mexican Taqueria**

**El Molcajete
Authentic Mexican
Cuisine**



Scan to View Taco Trail



STRAWBERRY JAMMIN' SEASONAL BEVERAGES



Explore Sanford's breweries and wine bars during one of our signature events, Strawberry Jammin'. Sip and savor a variety of strawberry-themed drinks as we celebrate the fruit that's dear to our hearts and taste buds.

BREWERIES & WINE BARS

Camelback Brewing

Craft and beer wonderfully collide at this friendly local brewery and one-of-a-kind experience.

Hugger Mugger Brewing

Delighting true beer connoisseurs with 18 delicious beers on tap, mysterious branding and fun décor.

Vinous Wine Bar

For wine lovers, a visit to Vinous Tasting Bar is a must. Be sure to stop by for carefully selected flights and wine by the glass.

Wild Dogs Brewing

A six-tap microbrewery/taproom treating patrons to German-style pilsners and traditional beers.

Sips and Sequels

Bookworm meets wine connoisseur in this lively and loveable space.

BOO & BREW GHOST TOUR & PUB CRAWL



History comes alive through the ghosts of Downtown Sanford. Part pub crawl, part guided audio tour, this event pairs visits to local shops, restaurants and bars with bone-chilling ghost stories based right here in Sanford.

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AGRI-TOURISM



Get a taste of good old-fashioned, fun down on the farm! Folks come from miles around to pick a wide range of fresh produce straight from the fields of local and mostly family-owned farms.



Barry's Strawberry Farm

Savor fresh berries as well as other seasonal produce grown by some of the friendliest folks.

Blueberry Hill U Pick

Find plenty of thrills on Blueberry Hill picking delicious fruit until your heart's content.

Buchanan Farms

Make a trip out for a wide selection of produce as well as a slew of special events.

Douglas Farms

The fruit of the season is waiting, and it's the sweetest around.

Gary Thomas Farms

Pick strawberries and shop produce, canned goods and fresh ice cream at this family-owned farm.

Gross Farms

Entertains families year-round with strawberry picking, a pumpkin patch, a huge corn maze and more.

Logan Farms

Discover a family farm that's grown a wide variety of food and agricultural products for over 60 years.

Sanford Farmers' Market

Get your taste buds a-tingling by shopping delicious produce, preserves and more from local farmers.

McNeill Farms

Bag a variety of seasonal produce including fresh strawberries grown big, bright and sweet.

The Christmas Tree Patch & Griffin's Evergreens

Plan a holiday trip to Sanford and this farm to find, cut and take home the perfect holiday tree.

White Hill Farms Strawberries & Produce

Embrace a farm experience that's built on family love, hard work and a passion for the land.



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THE GREATEST OUTDOOR RECREATION

Get outside and into the great outdoors of Sanford and Lee County! Natural beauty is on full display at expansive parks, flowing rivers and tranquil lakes.

GOLF COURSES

Carolina Trace Country Club

Home to two golf courses with stunning vistas that will give your golf swing a run for its money.

Quail Ridge Golf Course

Get a solid round of golf in during your visit, happily teeing off on well-groomed fairways and greens.

Sanford Municipal Golf Course

Take in eye-catching azaleas and a spectacular view of Buffalo Creek putting around this great course.

Tobacco Road Golf Club

Named one of the top courses in the world because of its landmark design that's a true work of art.



PARKS & PRESERVES

San-Lee Park

Come for the hiking, mountain bike trails and playgrounds. Stay for the awesome scenery, fishing, camping and paddle boats offered seasonally.



White Pines Nature Preserve

Immerse yourself in 275 acres of pure beauty complete with nature trails for leisurely hikes along the Deep and Rocky Rivers.

Kiwanis Family Park

The fitness trails and large field at this park are ideal for field sports and races. Take advantage of other park amenities like the playground, splash pad, and spacious park shelters.

OT Sloan Park

Sporting events of all kinds shine here. Park amenities include six tennis courts, a disc golf course, a regulation swimming pool, multipurpose athletic fields.

Tramway Road Park

Made for outdoor sports tournaments, Tramway offers organizers a soccer field, baseball/softball field and several dugout spaces for public and private use.

RIVERS & LAKES

Cape Fear River

Spend some time on the longest river in North Carolina. Anglers will especially enjoy the fishing.

Jordan Lake

Reel in a variety of fish, hike, camp and enjoy other outdoor recreation opportunities at this 14,000-acre reservoir.

OUTDOOR SPORTS



Deep River Sporting Clays

Competitive and amateur marksmen feel right at home at this one-of-a-kind clay shooting facility.

Sanford Spinners

The home team is back! Come cheer the Spinners on as they battle it out in the Old North State League.

San-Lee Gravity Bike Park



Get your adrenaline pumping with gravity-based mountain biking featuring downhill-style jumps and berms! This park caters to a wide range of skill levels for maximum fun.

COMING 2025

LEE COUNTY
ATHLETIC PARK

Canoe & kayak launch

15-501 Kayak Launch
Carbonton Canoe and
Kayak Access

BETTER MEETINGS & CONVENTIONS



Sanford's meeting venues easily accommodate business events of all sizes from intimate meetings to company conventions.

Dennis A. Wicker Civic and Conference Center at Central Carolina Community College

With several event spaces and room arrangements to choose from, the Civic & Conference Center is your ideal venue for dazzling events, impressive meetings and unforgettable gatherings. It pairs versatility with a great location right in the heart of everything Sanford and Lee County has to offer.

- 14 unique meeting and event spaces
- Several room configurations
- Less than 10 minutes from downtown
- Within a mile of three full-service hotels

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Meeting Room

With 852 sq. ft. of flexible meeting space at your fingertips, plan and execute company seminars, trainings, social functions and so much more.

Home2 Suites Meeting Space

1,064 sq ft of dedicated space within a hotel, specifically designed to host various events, from corporate meetings and workshops to private gatherings and seminars.

San-Lee Park Multi-Purpose Room

Housed in the San-Lee Park Nature Center, this room accommodates up to 50 people. Seating and tables are also included with space rental.

The Mann Center

It's the perfect location for business and social organization meetings and public gatherings. The center has a 300-seat auditorium, 20 offices, a conference room and a multi-use room available for rental.





Settle in for an overnight stay at any of these fine accommodations to give yourself plenty of time to explore and enjoy Sanford and Lee County.

HOTELS

Comfort Suites

Whether you're visiting for business or pleasure, the modern look and feel of this hotel are sure to please.

Amenities: Free WiFi, Free parking, Pet-friendly, Free breakfast, Pool, Mobile check-in

Hampton Inn Sanford

Sleep well in a convenient location close to downtown, Temple Theatre and Sanford's major businesses.

Amenities: Free WiFi, Free parking, Free breakfast, Pool, Connecting rooms, Digital key, EV charging, Fitness center, Business center, Meeting rooms

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Sanford

The Holiday Inn aims to please every guest with grade-A hospitality, updated rooms and a full suite of amenities.

Amenities: Free WiFi, Free parking, Free breakfast, Pool, Connecting rooms, Fitness center, Business center, Meeting rooms, Accessibility, Pet-friendly

Home2 Suites by Hilton

With separate sleeping and living spaces, studio and one-bedroom suites provide you the perfect floor plans whether you stay one night, one week, or more.

Amenities: Free WiFi, Free parking, Free breakfast, Pool, Fitness center, In-Suite cooking, Accessibility, Pet-friendly

**MOST
COMFORTABLE
HOTELS &
LODGING**

SHORT-TERM RENTAL SELECTIONS

Dogwood Alley

An apartment located in Sanford's historic Rosemont Neighborhood just blocks from downtown restaurants, shopping, local theater and area wedding venues.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Patio or balcony, WiFi, TV with standard cable, Bathtub

Cottage In The Woods

This quaint cottage boasts a private backyard, a wooded backdrop and a back porch perfect for catching glimpses of wildlife and amazing sunsets.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Backyard, WiFi, TV with standard cable, Patio or balcony, Hair dryer

Cottage By The Park

This amazing little home is beautifully redone to resemble a quaint little cottage perched on the edge of Tramway Road Park. Enjoy historic downtown in a matter of minutes.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Backyard, WiFi, TV, Patio or balcony, Bathtub

The Lakeside Magnolia

With two master bedrooms, outdoor patio, a sandy beach with lake access, this is a perfect escape within minutes of downtown Sanford.

Amenities: Beach access, Kitchen, Wifi, Free parking on premises, TV, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Private patio or balcony, Security cameras

The Lutterloh

This fully renovated apartment is in the heart of downtown Sanford and within walking distance of Temple Theatre, restaurants and bars.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Refrigerator, WiFi, Hairdryer

[airbnb.com](https://www.airbnb.com) [vrbo.com](https://www.vrbo.com)

Study Hall Apartment A

Just four blocks away from Downtown Sanford shopping, dining and other experiences is this beautiful two-bedroom flat inside a historic home originally built in 1910.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Backyard, WiFi, TV with standard cable, Patio or balcony, Luggage drop off allowed



Study Hall Apartment B

Just four blocks away from Downtown Sanford shopping, dining and other experiences is this upper unit inside a beautiful historic home built in 1910.

Amenities: Kitchen, Free parking, Washer/Dryer, Air conditioning, Backyard, WiFi, TV with standard cable, Patio or balcony, Bathtub



GLAMPING

Sugarneck

Come and explore the very best of glamping, with many of the comforts of home.



PERFECT WEDDINGS

From rustic chic settings to classy, country club affairs, the perfect venue for your perfect day is right here.

Carolina Trace Country Club

This stately southern venue offers spectacular views, beautiful facilities and attentive staff for your amazing wedding day.

Circle M City

This is how the West was wed! Get hitched with all the trappings of a frontier town complete with a rustic barn, opera house or chapel ceremonial setting.

Daniel's Ridge

Beautiful and peaceful, this ideal venue has a variety of options when it comes to ceremony and reception locations.

Fire Sky Farm

From its rustic charm to its serene natural landscape, this venue provides the perfect backdrop for your special event, and also offers short term rental options.

John B Thomas Gathering Place

Enjoy this gorgeous, country ranch setting, well-appointed reception hall and spacious outdoor pavilion for your big day!

Luminarias

Create the wedding of your dreams with 5,000 sq. ft. of venue space and the assistance of helpful event coordinators.

Oakland Farm

Looking for a modern yet rustic ceremony space? This farm will certainly fit the bill.

Sugarneck

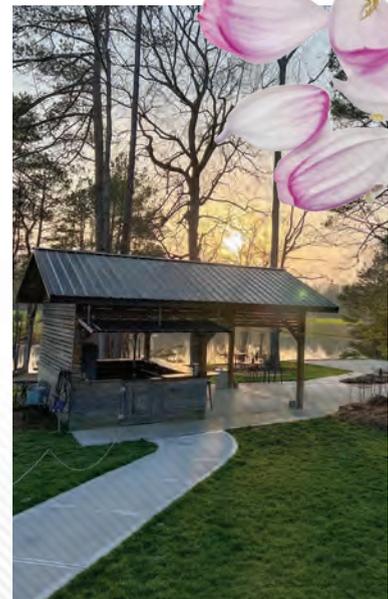
Both a wedding venue and a historical landmark that exceeds expectations with private on-site accommodations for both the bride and groom.

The Farm on Cotton

Blend upscale wedding bliss with classic Southern charm against a backdrop of rolling pastures and an apple orchard.

Wild Rock Farm

From its rustic farmhouse to its variety of wedding setups options. If you're looking for a country wedding this is the place for you.



DIRECTORY



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THE DIRECTORY
ONLINE

DINING & DRINKS

BBQ Trail

Brannan Schlitz BBQ

1600 Tramway Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-292-0419

Ron's Barn Barbecue & Seafood

3122 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-774-8143

Smithfield's Chicken 'N Bar-B-Q

2640 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-0202

Stubbs & Sons BBQ

2440 Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-776-8887

Catherine Ann's Grill

2053 S Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
(919) 292-6061

Smoke and Barrel

120 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1374

Woodard Family BBQ & Grill

122 S. Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-258-6224



Breweries & Wine Bars

Camelback Brewing Company

804 Spring Ln.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-2244

Vinous Wine Bar

112 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-349-2080

Hugger Mugger Brewing Company

229 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Wild Dogs Brewing Company

136 N. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-246-7787

& More

A Toda Madre

715 E Main St.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-242-1875

Aye! Toro Mexican Restaurant

3064 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-777-0280

Bay Breeze Seafood

1385 N. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-708-6911

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Brush & Palette Art Gallery

507 N. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-364-0588

Lee County Arts Council

507 N Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-6139

Mann Center

507 N. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-5273

Oxide Gallery of Fine Arts

148 S Moore St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-278-7270

Temple Theatre

120 Carthage St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-4155

Warp & Wedge

1312 Hawkins Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330

Brass Kettle Cafe

128 N Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-775-5721

Brick City Boba

104 E Main St.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-292-1748

Brick City Grill

120 Bank St.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-776-8874

Bubba's Subs & Pizza

1932 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-4438

Cafe Vesuvio

S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-9966

Corbett's Burgers & Soda Bar

3252 NC-87
Sanford, NC 27332
919-292-0712

Davison's Steak House

1724 Westover Dr.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-718-1103

Dips & Dawgs

120 N Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-775-1211

Elizabeth's Pizza & Italian Restaurant

1009 Spring Ln.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-6539

El Malcajete

2741 Lee Ave.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-708-6853

El Rolas Restaurant & Bar

824 E Main St.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-292-2410

Elizabeth's Pizza & Italian Restaurant

1009 Spring Ln.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-774-6539

Fairview Dairy Bar

109 Carbonton Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-5721

Family Grounds

133 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1073

Fonda Lupita

1952 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-353-2548



Goodfellas Grill & Sports Pub
2709 Lee Ave.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-776-2510

Healthy Hangout
2262 Jefferson Davis Hwy
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-0953

Hokkaido Restaurant
1204 N Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-0585

Hunan Chinese Restaurant
1216 N. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-1211

Ichiban Bistro
133 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-0024

Kathy's Java Express
120 S. Moore St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-5282

King Chinese Buffet
3218 NC Hwy. 87 S.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-2222

La Esperanza Mexican Taqueria Restaurant
1612 Hawkins Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-897-9088

La Dolce Vita Pizzeria
226 Carthage St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-5277

La Terrazita
812 N. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-0455

Landmark Restaurant
1949 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-5313

Libations 139
139 Chatham St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Lilly's Restaurant
1123 Spring Lane
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1686

Lily's Mexican Restaurant
2902 S Horner Blvd
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-0124

Local Joe's Tap & Grill
135 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-708-5957

Los Charros Mexican Restaurant
118 S. Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-258-3035

Mariscos No.Juan
129 W Main Street
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1070

Millie's Mama Bakes
233 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1715

Mrs. Lacy's Magnolia House
405 Carthage St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-6787

Mrs. Wenger's Restaurant
105 Charlotte Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-2131

North State Nutrition
1610 S. Horner Blvd
Sanford, NC 27330
910-773-9084

Nutrition Club
241 Wicker Street
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-2866

Pies Pizza
109 Carbonton Road
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-2866

Quick Bites
1907 Bragg St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-1690

Sandra's Bakery
225 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-1467

The Sweet Shop
2495 Jefferson Davis Hwy
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-0999

The Flame Steakhouse
109 Carbonton Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-7111

San Felipe Mexican Restaurant
1706 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-2741

Star House Wings & Hibachi
717 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-0676

San Felipe Mexican Restaurant
2234 Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-718-0086

The Debonair Chef
147 Rand St.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-520-7504

Tramway Diner
2278 Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-6770

Valenti's Italian Restaurant
405 E. Main St.
Sanford, NC 27332
910-245-1105

Yarborough's Homemade Ice Cream
132 Mclver St. #4341
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-6266





AGRI-TOURISM

Barry's Strawberry Farm

4047 Cox Mill Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-258-3606

Blueberry Hill U-Pick

3122 White Hill Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-498-4282

Buchanan Farms

2508 Broadway Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-276-1021

The Christmas Tree Patch

1747 Henley Rd
Sanford, NC 27330
919-770-0124

Douglas Farms

4164 Hwy 87
Sanford, NC 27332
919-353-2399

Gary Thomas Farms

443 Thomas Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-258-3262

Griffin Evergreens

1823 Broadway Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-842-6306

Gross Farms

1606 Pickett Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-498-6727

Logan Farms

110 Logan Farm Ln.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-1898

McNeill Farms

5948 Lemon Springs Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-774-1085

Sanford Farmers' Market

115 Chatham St.
Sanford, NC 27330
520-204-4686

White Hill Farms Strawberries & Produce

5030 S. Plank Rd.
Cameron, NC 28326
910-783-8552

OUTDOOR RECREATION

15-501 Kayak Launch

HRH4+5F,
Sanford, NC 27330

Bob E. Hales Recreation Center

147 McIver St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-7999

Cape Fear River

Avent Ferry Boat Ramp
43 NC-42,
Moncure, NC 27559

Cape Fear River Adventures

1005 Main Street
Lillington, NC 27546
919-495-5555

Carbonton Canoe & Kayak Access

GM92+QX
Sanford, NC 27330

Carolina Trace Country Club

2100 Country Club Dr.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-499-5611

Deep River Sporting Clays

284 Cletus Hall Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-7080

Jordan Lake

New Hope Overlook
339 W H Jones Rd.
New Hill, NC 27562
919-362-0586

Quail Ridge Golf Course

5634 Quail Ridge Dr.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-776-6623

Sanford Municipal Golf Course

600 Golf Course Ln.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-8320

San Lee Gravity Park

572 Pumping Station Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-6221

Tobacco Road Golf Club

442 Tobacco Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-1940

White Pines Nature Preserve

548 S. Rocky River Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-908-8809

Parks

Buchanan Park

3100 Cameron Dr.
Sanford, NC 27330

Depot Park

106 Charlotte Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330

Dalrymple Park

300 W Globe St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Horton Park

1515 Washington Ave..
Sanford, NC 27330

Kiwanis Children's Park

101 Park Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330

Kiwanis Family Park

1800 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-2107

Lemon Springs Community Park

1058 Greenway Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330

O.T. Sloan Park

1420 Bragg St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-9831

San-Lee Park

See Campsite & RV
Parks listing.

Future Lee County Athletic Park
1220 Broadway Road
Sanford, NC 27330

Temple Park
2023 S 8th St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Tramway Road Park
2303 Tramway Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-2107

Broadway Park at Watson Lake
E. Lake Dr.
Broadway, NC 27505

SHOPPING

Antique Trail

A Few Nice Things
121 S. Steele. St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-1446

Bert's Furniture
215 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-478-6999

Craze Furniture & Antiques
817 S Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-760-9683

Sanford Antique Mall
118 S. Moore St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-1969

Vineland & Hickory
103 Carbonton Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-935-1047

Jewelers - Downtown

Southern Jewelers
143 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-7007

Jewelers

Dan Martin Jewelers
143 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-7007

Balous Jewelers
2801 Lee Ave.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-7311

Lucas Jewelers and Repair
1821 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-3036

Tara's Jewelry Outlet
2715 Lee Ave.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-774-7196

More Shops

2nd Glances
137 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-888-4362

Added Accents
124 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-5030

Back to Dirt Bikes
235 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-2453

Beyond Petals
1845 Avents Ferry RD.
Sanford, NC 27330
910-814-0660

Beech & Boon
147 N. Steele S.
Sanford, NC 27330

Broadway Hardware & Supply Co.
305 N. Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-258-3843

Brainiacs Toy Shop
2270 Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Broadway, NC 27505
919-292-1945

Books at a Steal
106 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-0642

Cagle's Home Furnishings
2611 Lee Ave.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-2011

DK Clay Pottery
1214 Hawkins Ave
Sanford, NC 27330
919-770-8002

Dossenbach's Finer Furniture
215 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-7237



Faith Finds Boutique
675 Seminole Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-499-7807

Floral Designs by Eddie
2814 Old Jefferson Davis Hwy.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-775-1400

Floretta Imports
3611 Hawkins Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-5803

Fabulous Finds Consignment
201 N. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-9048





Gather NC
106 Carthage St.
Sanford, NC 27330
910-273-1126

**Hero Source Toys
& Collectibles**
1913 Bragg St..
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-2686

High Cotton Couture
115 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-2686

Lisa's Home & Decor
124 S Main St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Magnolia Boutique
126 S Main St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-276-1110

Raven Forge Games
140 N. Steele. St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-2601

Shops of Steele Street
102 S. Steele St. #101
Sanford, NC 27330
919-777-6959

Stanley's Home Center
232 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-4924

**Sweet Southern
Home & Design**
108 N. Gulf St.
Sanford, NC 27330
828-712-4222

Ted's Flower Basket
111 S. Vance St.
Sanford, Nc 27330
919-775-7144

With Love Boutique
148 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Thrift Stores

Bubba's Boutique
301-B N. Main St.
Broadway, NC 27505
937-342-0363

CUOCL Thrift Shop
109 E Main St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-292-2283

Divine Finds
511 Wicker St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-718-0446

Habitat Home Store
413 Wicker St.
Sanford NC 27330
919-774-6767

Lee PTO Thrift Shop
303 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-4142

Salvation Army Thrift Shop
303 S. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-2769

**HISTORICAL
LANDMARKS**

**Buffalo Presbyterian
Church & Cemeteries**
1333 Carthage St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-7313

Endor Iron Furnace
670 Deep River Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330

Former Sanford High School
507 N. Steele St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-5273

House in the Horseshoe
288 Alston House Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
910-947-2051

John D. McIver Farm
2007 Windmill Dr.
Sanford, NC 27330

Lee County Courthouse
1400 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-718-6300

Ole Gilliam Mill Park
4699 Carbonton Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330

The Historic Railroad House
110 Charlotte Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-7479

Seaboard Milling Company
202 Hickory Ave.,
Sanford, NC 27330

Temple Theatre
See Arts & Entertainment listing.

W. B. Wicker School
808 S. Vance St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-897-5400

HISTORIC DISTRICTS

**Downtown Sanford
Historic District**
Bounded by Gordon St., Horner
Blvd., Cole and Chatham Sts.
Sanford, NC 27330

East Sanford Historic District
Bounded by Charlotte Ave.,
Goldsboro Ave., N. First St., S.
Second St. and S. Eighth St.
Sanford, NC 27330

Hawkins Avenue Historic District
Bounded by Hill Ave., First St.,
Charlotte Ave. and Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330

Lee Avenue Historic District
Bounded by Lee Ave., W. Main St.,
S Academy St. and W. Raleigh St.
Sanford NC 27332

**Rosemont-McIver Park
Historic District**
*Bounded by N. Horner Blvd.,
N. Vance and Carthage Sts.
Sanford, NC 27330*

WEDDING VENUES

Carolina Trace Country Club
See Outdoor Recreation listing.

Circle M City
*74 Cowboy Ln.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-499-8493*

Daniel's Ridge
*1851 Avents Ferry Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-770-6223*

Firesky Farm
*587 Wakefield Rd,
Sanford, NC 27330
919-336-2848*

Hawkins House
*112 Hawkins Ave.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-356-7571*

**John B. Thomas
Gathering Place**
*2310 Swanns Station Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-353-0625*

Luminarias
*200 Independent Dr.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-5959*

Oakland Farm
*3355 Rosser Rd.
Bear Creek, NC 27207*

Sugarneck
*4844 Buckhorn Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-330-0515*

The Farm on Cotton
*2454 Cotton Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-770-6268*

Wild Rock Farm
*153 Wildlife Rd.
Sanford, NC 27332
919-770-0601*

MEETING & EVENT VENUES

**Dennis A. Wicker Civic
& Conference Center**
*1801 Nash St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-0345*

**Holiday Inn Express
& Suites Meeting Room**
*2110 Dalrymple St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-6600*

Kiwanis Family Park
See Outdoor Recreation listing.

The Mann Center
See Arts & Entertainment listing.

O.T. Sloan Park
See Outdoor Recreation listing.

San Lee Park Multi-Purpose Room
*760 Pumping Station
Sanford, NC 27330*

Tramway Road Park
See Outdoor Recreation listing.

PLACES TO STAY

Hotels

Baymont Inn Wyndham Sanford
*2614 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-897-2557*

Comfort Suites
*1891 Bragg St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-842-5600*

Econo Lodge
*1403 N Horner Blvd
Sanford, NC 27330
919-774-7018*

Hampton Inn Sanford
*1904 S. Horner Blvd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-775-2000*

Home2 Suites
*115 amos Bridges Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-300-9000*

**Holiday Inn Express
& Suites Sanford**
*2110 Dalrymple St.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-6600*

Campsites & Glamping

Sugarneck
*4844 Buckhorn Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919-330-0515*

RV parks

San-Lee Park
*760 Pumping Station
Sanford, NC 27330
919-776-6221*

Short-Term Rentals

Cottage By The Park
*Tramway, NC
AirBnB.com*

Cottage In The Woods
*Sanford, NC
AirBnB.com*

Dogwood Alley
*Rosemont Neighborhood
AirBnB.com*

The Lutterloh
*Downtown Sanford
AirBnB.com*

Study Hall Apartment A
*Downtown Sanford
AirBnB.com*

Study Hall Apartment B
*Downtown Sanford
AirBnB.com*



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