

**#1** America's  
**Foodiest**  
Small-Town  
- *Bon Appétit*

**#2** Best  
**Green**  
Cities - Lifestyle and  
Quality of Life  
(#16 overall)  
- *Country Home*

**#3** Best  
**Small City**  
for Relocating Families  
- *World ERC and Primacy Relocation*

**#3** Best Place to  
**Ride out a**  
Recession  
- *BusinessWeek*

**#1** Best Place  
**to Retire**  
- *Black Enterprise*

America's  
**Smartest**  
Cities  
**#6**  
- *Forbes.com*

**#7** Best Place for  
**Business**  
& Careers  
- *Forbes*

**#4** Most Livable  
**Costco City**  
- *Bert Sperling's Ranked and Rates Cities with Costco*

**#6** for Bird  
**Counting**  
lists submitted  
- *Great Backyard Bird Count*

**#12** Top Places  
**To Launch Your**  
Own Business  
- *Fortune Small Business*

**#16** Best  
**Green**  
Places (overall)  
in America  
- *Country Home*

**#15** **Downtown**  
**Best** **Durham** **top 15**  
Place to Live  
in the USA  
Up-and-Coming  
Neighborhoods  
- *Businessweek*  
- *Bert Sperling's City's Ranked & Rated*

Top **20** places  
**to Educate**  
Your Child  
- *Forbes*

**#26** City Where  
Business  
Opportunity Is  
**Greatest For**  
Growing Companies  
- *ExpansionManagement.com*

**#37** Best  
**Walking**  
City  
- *Prevention*

**#45** Hottest  
in the  
Country  
**Business**  
Market  
- *Inc. Magazine*

**100** Best  
Communities for  
Young People  
- *America's Promise - The Alliance for Youth*

**#1** MSA for  
Percentage of  
**Creative Class**  
Workforce  
- *Catalytix*

**100**  
Best Communities for  
Music Education  
- *American Music Conference*

Top **10**  
**Tech**  
Towns  
- *Wired*

**Tree**  
**City** USA for the  
**24<sup>th</sup>**  
Year  
- *National Arbor Day Foundation*

**#3** MSA for  
**Fast Cities**  
(when combined with another MSA and  
compared back to individual MSAs)  
- *Fast Company*

**#1** MSA for  
**College**  
Graduation Rate  
among select national tech-focused MSA's  
- *Knoxville (TN) News-Sentinel*

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