



WELCOME TO YOUR MOUNTAIN HOME AFB

Relocation Guide!

**Your One-stop Guide for Your New Journey to
Mountain Home AFB**

2026 Edition!





WELCOME TO

Mountain Home Air Force Base!

Here you'll find helpful information to assist with your transition to Mountain Home AFB, Idaho!

I personally have taken over 50+ hours to make sure you guys know everything you need to prepare for your big move to MHAFB!

If there's anything in here that needs to be changed or fixed please let us know so we can continue to help the next airman on their way here!

*** IF you aren't already make sure to join our facebook group specifically dedicated for buying/selling/renting homes near Mountain home AFB ***

Mountain home AFB Buy | Sell | Rent - Homes

ALSO if you stick to the end, I have a personal bonus for you guys



First... Who the heck am I?

I'm Naseem Eissa, I was stationed at Mountain Home AFB for all 6 years of my Air Force Career where I was apart of the 366th LRS Squadron. I was Ground Transportation A.K.A a glorified taxi driver((Just joking...kinda)

After purchasing my very first home I knew one day I would end up getting into real estate, I just didn't know in what way. Fast forward many years later and my team and I have served over 150+ military members like yourself PCSing to and away from mountain home buy or sell a home!

You can count on me to guide you every step of the way in finding your dream home in Mountain Home, Boise or any of the surrounding areas!

87% of our VA buyers are relocating and not yet in the area, so we specialize in virtual home tours and seamless remote transactions and have handled any type of situation you can possibly think of!



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I. PRE-RELOCATION CHECKLIST

1. RECEIVE & REVIEW YOUR ORDERS

- Verify your PCS orders and ensure all details are correct.
- Check the reporting date and timeline for your move.

2. SET UP YOUR MOVE THROUGH DPS (DEFENSE PERSONAL PROPERTY SYSTEM)

- Log into Move.mil and schedule your household goods shipment.
- Decide between a Government Move (HHG) or a Personally Procured Move (PPM/DITY move).

3. RESEARCH HOUSING OPTIONS

- Decide between on-base housing (available through Balfour Beatty Communities) or off-base housing in nearby cities like:
- Mountain Home (closest, 10 minutes from base)
- Boise (larger city, ~45 min commute)
- Meridian or Kuna (family-friendly suburbs)
- Contact Mountain Home AFB Housing Office at (208) 828-2781 for base housing availability.
- If considering purchasing a home off base, reach out to me so we can put together a game plan tailored to your situation! (951-322-7970)

4. UNDERSTAND YOUR BAH (BASIC ALLOWANCE FOR HOUSING)

- Check your BAH rate for Mountain Home AFB [here](#).
- Compare housing costs in different areas based on your rank and family size.

5. ARRANGE TEMPORARY LODGING

- Mountain Home AFB Inn (Lodging) – Call (208) 828-5200.
- Local hotels in Mountain Home or Boise.
- Reach out to me as we may have availability at our AirBNB in Mountain Home at a discounted rate for our military folks!

II. LIVING OFF-BASE

The main areas most people live in (in no particular order) include Mountain Home, Boise, Meridian, Nampa, and Kuna.

- Mountain Home: Closest to base (~15 min commute), small-town feel.
- Boise: Largest city in Idaho with tons to do, more entertainment, dining, job, education opportunities! (~50 min commute)
- Meridian: Family-friendly suburb with top schools and tons of modern amenities and entertainment options! (~55 min commute)
- Kuna: A suburb of Boise with tons of Development to grow! (~45 min commute)
- Nampa: More Affordable housing options (~60-65 Minute commute)

Recommended Resources for housing:

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| • Purchasing a home: | Shoot us a Call/Text/Email/DM! |
| • Temporary lodging & rentals: | ahrn.com |
| • Crime rates & school information: | trulia.com |
| • Homes / Units for rent: | rent.com |

Pros:

- ✓ More housing options & amenities in larger cities like Boise & Meridian.
- ✓ Greater privacy and separation from the military lifestyle.
- ✓ Access to more schools, shopping, restaurants, and entertainment.

Cons:

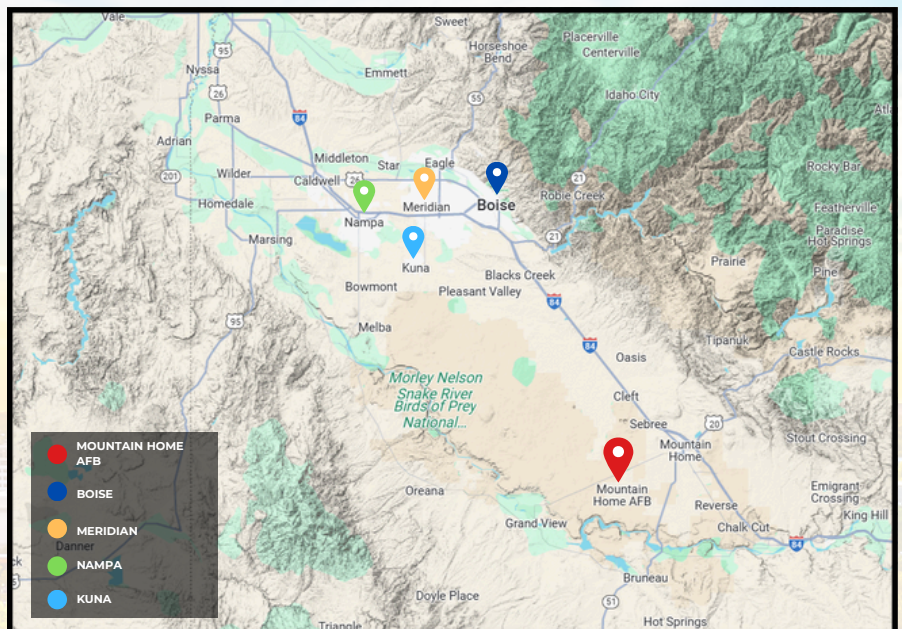
- ✗ Longer commute times, especially from Boise & beyond.
- ✗ Mountain Home AFB gate congestion during rush hours.
- ✗ Income verification and deposits required for rentals.

Resource:

Your Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) is meant to cover both rent and utilities.

Check your estimated BAH for Mountain Home AFB here:

<https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/bahCalc.cfm>





LIVING IN MOUNTAIN HOME



SHOPPING, MARKETS & MORE!



THE HUB PLAZA

The Hub Plaza was built in late 2021 to bring more life back into downtown Mountain Home creating an urban community gathering space providing a great community meeting space with a fun slide and a stage for entertainment options.



LEGACY PARK

A 40-acre community park in Mountain Home, Idaho, featuring a fishing pond, walking paths, sports fields, and a picturesque wedding chapel and gazebo area. Once an old gravel pit, the park was reconstructed and has become one of the city's premier outdoor destinations.



STONEY'S RESTAURANT

Laid-back eatery offering a lineup of traditional American classics, burgers, tacos and fries for breakfast through dinner, as well as ice cream and cheesecake.



CARL MILLER PARK

Located in the heart of Mountain Home, Carl Miller Park has an F-111 on display showing our towns pride in our United States Air Force. Every September Carl Miller Park hosts Air Force Appreciation Day A day full of activities, including a parade and a free community BBQ.

HISTORY

Mountain Home, Idaho, began its roots in the 1860s as a stagecoach stop along the Overland Stage Line, serving pioneers and travelers headed west. The town officially incorporated in 1896, with ranching, farming, and trade forming the core of its early economy. In 1943, Mountain Home Army Air Field (later Mountain Home Air Force Base) was established, transforming the area into a vital military community and sparking population growth. Today, Mountain Home is known for its deep military ties, its ranching and farming heritage, and its role as a gateway to both the Snake River Plain and the rugged Owyhee Mountains.

Without the support of the base, the town would turthfully feel like its missing its heart and soul. It brings everything together and is one of the best military pro towns you can find across the US. From the Air Force Appreciation Day Parade to the endless retirees and veterans in the area, it truly is a town that frows on you!



EDUCATION



Mountain Home, Idaho, is served by Mountain Home School District 193, offering a supportive network of elementary, junior high, and high schools focused on strong academics and community engagement. For military families, on-base options through DoDEA schools like Bennett Mountain and Anderson Elementary provide stability and tailored support for children of service members. Higher education opportunities include Park University and Embry-Riddle satellite campuses on base, with Boise State University and College of Western Idaho nearby. With a mix of district schools, on-base education, and accessible colleges, Mountain Home provides families relocating to the area with diverse and reliable educational options.

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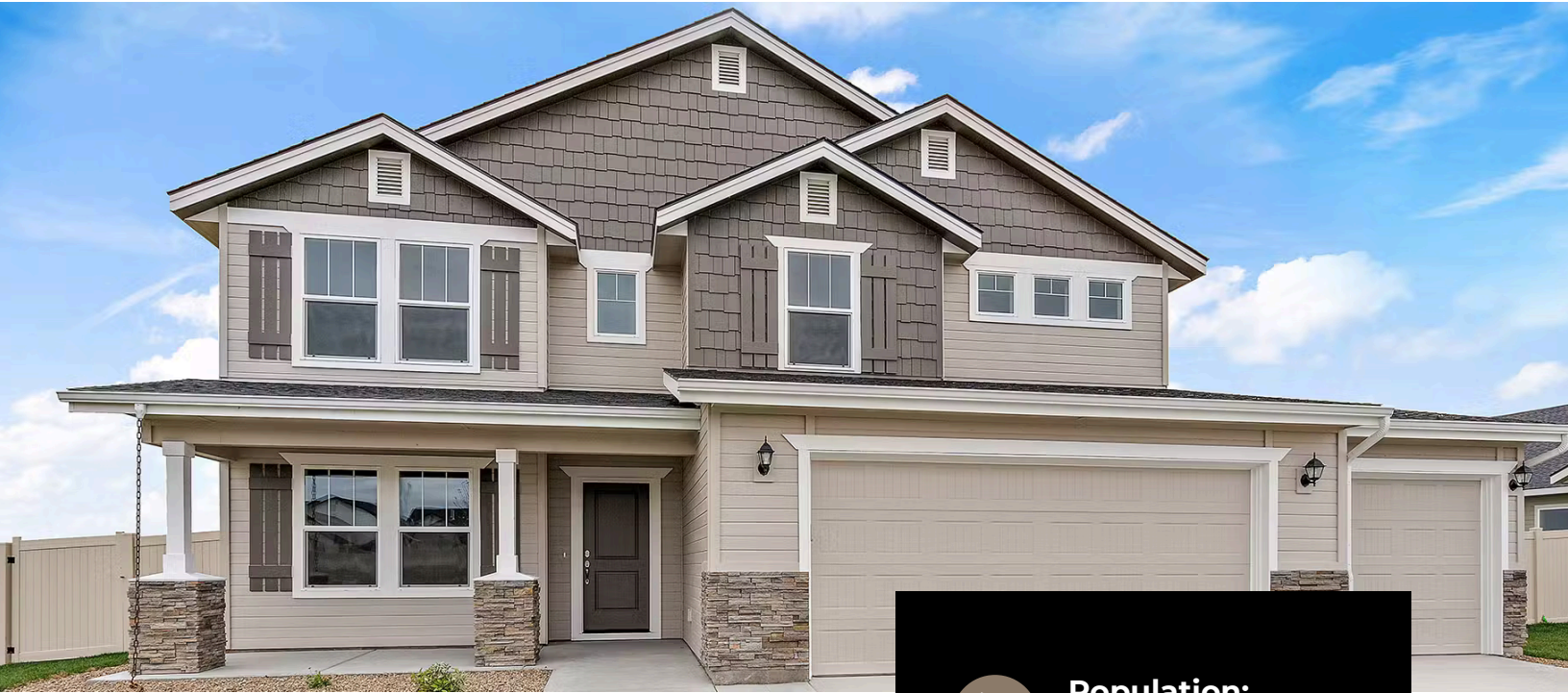
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Top 3 Neighborhoods / Areas To Live

15-25 MINUTE DRIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE



Why These Areas?

The 3 neighborhoods i'm going to mention here are neighborhoods our clients have the highest move rate and best fit their needs for what they're searching for!

Silver Stone Subdivision:

This Neighborhood has hands down carried the torch for most favored. From no HOA to the holiday pride shown during Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas this neighborhood feels like a community of its own!

Legacy Park Area:

Surrounding the legacy park area are some fantastic mature homes if you're in the market for some "personality" Some may or may not have HOA dues but is a highly rated area for folks looking to be nearby Boise!

Thunder Bolt Landing By CBH Homes:

One of CBH's Homes newest and their best neighborhoods to be built in Mountain Home. The proximity to Boise is a nice touch and these homes have more upgrades than their typical homes which make it a more desirable area. HOA's do exist in this area.



Population:

17,139



Median Home Price:

\$365,000



Active Inventory

170



Avg DOM

60 Days

COMMUNITY VIBE:

Rural Military-Pro town that is peaceful and has the basic essentials to help you get by!



LIVING IN BOISE



SHOPPING, MARKETS & MORE!



BOISE TOWNE SQUARE

The largest shopping center in Idaho, featuring major retail stores, boutique shops, dining options, and entertainment, making it the city's primary shopping destination.



KATHRYN ALBERTSON PARK

A beautiful 41-acre nature park with walking paths, ponds, wildlife, and scenic views, offering a peaceful escape in the heart of Boise.



FORK

A downtown Boise favorite known for its farm-to-table cuisine, serving locally sourced dishes like Idaho trout and bison burgers in a rustic, modern setting.



BOISE FARMERS MARKET

A year-round market featuring fresh local produce, artisanal foods, baked goods, and handcrafted items, supporting Idaho's farmers and small businesses while providing a farm-to-table experience.

HISTORY

Boise, Idaho, was founded in 1863 as a military fort during the Gold Rush era, serving as a key supply stop for miners traveling through the region. The city quickly grew as settlers arrived, and by the late 1800s, it became the capital of Idaho due to its central location and economic influence. Boise's early economy was driven by mining, timber, and agriculture, with irrigation projects like the Boise River Diversion Dam (1909) helping transform the surrounding land into fertile farmland.

In the 20th century, Boise evolved into a political, cultural, and economic hub, expanding beyond agriculture. Key factors included the establishment of Boise State University, growth of the tech industry (notably HP), and outdoor recreation. Today, Boise is Idaho's largest city, known for its vibrant downtown, strong job market, and diverse offerings in outdoor and cultural activities.



EDUCATION



Boise is home to the Boise School District, one of Idaho's top-performing districts, offering strong STEM, International Baccalaureate (IB), and career-technical programs. Notable high schools include Boise High, Timberline High, and Capital High, known for academic excellence and athletics. The city also hosts Boise State University (BSU), Idaho's largest university, offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs, including a renowned business and engineering school. Additionally, College of Western Idaho (CWI) provides affordable two-year degrees and workforce training, making Boise a key educational hub in the state.

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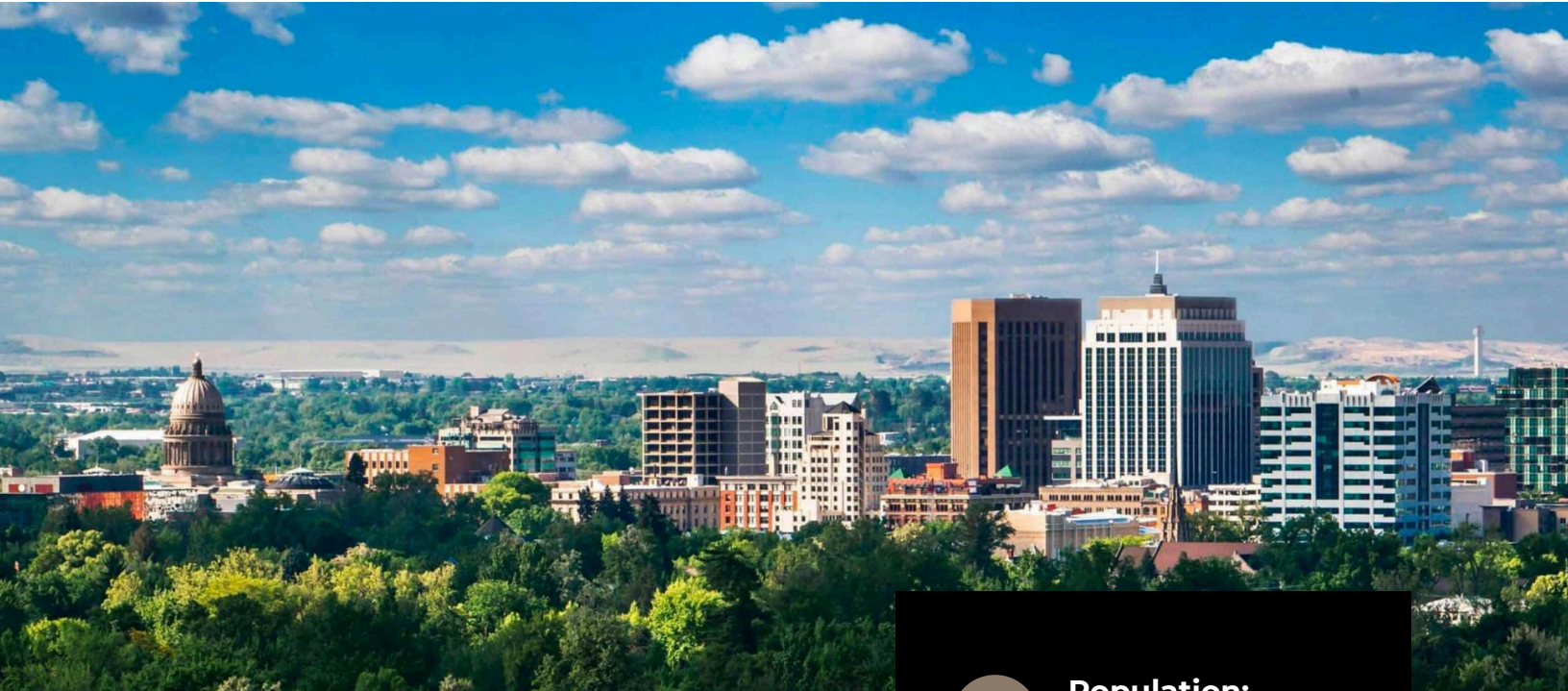
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Top 3 Neighborhoods / Areas To Live

45-60 MINUTE DRIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE



Why These Areas?

These 3 areas are going to be your best bet for either quality of living (Boise was ranked #2 in the country in 2025!) proximity to base or proximity to amenities!

South East Boise

This is the most desired area for folks who plan on commuting back and forth to base. Affordability in this area is also better as it's more (suburbish) allowing you to get better bang for the buck while cutting the distance!

Locale By CBH Homes:

Affordability in Boise!!! This new construction neighborhood starts at \$450,000 with all types of promotions to help get your foot in the door of Boise's costly real estate market!

West Boise:

This area makes the list for its location. It's in between both meridian and downtown making it the perfect area to find a home! You will find a diversity of homes from older mature homes to new construction or remodeled homes. Prices can vary from the 400's to multiple millions.



Population:

235,018



Median Home Price:

\$515,000



Active Inventory

1,460



Avg DOM

40 Days

COMMUNITY VIBE:

Small-ish city with amazing events all year round! Whether you love the city life or outdoor activities you have it all nearby living here!



LIVING IN MERIDIAN



SHOPPING, MARKETS & MORE!



THE VILLAGE AT MERIDIAN

A premier outdoor shopping and entertainment center featuring upscale retail, diverse dining, a luxury cinema, and a stunning fountain show, serving as the city's lifestyle hub.



SETTLERS PARK

A 58-acre park featuring walking trails, fishing ponds, sports courts, a playground, and picnic areas, perfect for outdoor activities and family gatherings.



SID'S GARAGE

A local favorite known for its insane milk shakes and the creatively topped burgers, including the PBJ or Trailer Trash burger. The house-made candied bacon is also a standout.



ROARING SPRINGS WATER PARK

The largest water park in the Northwest, offering thrilling water slides, a lazy river, a wave pool, and family-friendly attractions, making it a summer hotspot.

HISTORY

Meridian, Idaho, was originally settled in the 1890s by homesteaders drawn to its fertile land and irrigation opportunities. The town was named after the Boise Meridian, a key survey marker for land division. By 1903, Meridian was officially incorporated, and agriculture—especially dairy farming, orchards, and sugar beets—became the backbone of the economy. The arrival of the Union Pacific Railroad helped transport goods, fueling the town's growth. The Meridian Dairy Days Festival, which began in 1929, highlights the city's strong dairy industry roots.

The development of **The Village at Meridian**, a premier shopping and entertainment center, solidified the city's role as a commercial hotspot. Today, Meridian is Idaho's second-largest city, known for its family-friendly environment, strong job market, and high quality of life.



EDUCATION



Meridian, Idaho, is served by the West Ada School District, the largest in the state, offering highly rated public, charter, and magnet schools with strong STEM, IB, and career-technical programs. Notable high schools include Rocky Mountain, Owyhee, and Renaissance High, while charter schools like Idaho Fine Arts Academy provide specialized education. For higher education, residents have access to College of Western Idaho (CWI) and Boise State University, both offering diverse degree and certification programs. With modern facilities, top-ranked schools, and growing educational opportunities, Meridian is an excellent place for families prioritizing quality education.

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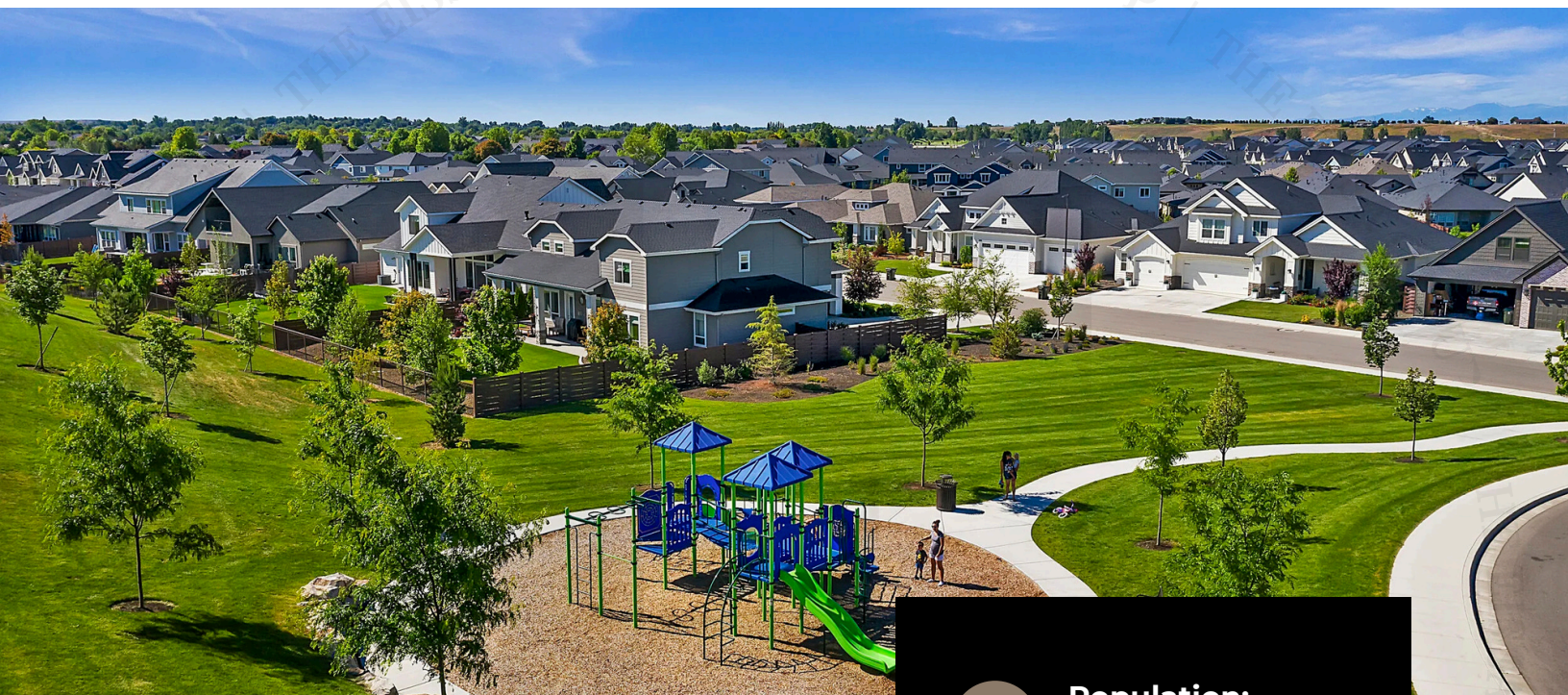
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Top 3 Neighborhoods / Areas To Live

50-65 MINUTE DRIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE



Why These Areas?

As the suburb of Boise it's one of the top areas for folks to move who love food, entertainment and shopping. These neighborhoods are close to it all!

Prescott Ridge By Hubble Homes:

A new construction neighborhood nearby the infamous settlers park, The Village and so many more great spot this one is all about Location, Location, Location. Pricing starts in the 400's and up with limited supply!

South West Meridian:

When it comes to options this part of town is going to have it all! From new construction homes to mature homes to even homes and acreage (at a cost of course) This is where homes are popping up left and right with tons of future potential.

Paramount:

Known for its top-rated schools and amenities, making it a strong choice for many you can't go wrong with this neighborhood! Prices can really vary here and its not often homes go for sale as so many people relocating here know this is THE neighborhood.



Population:

145,039



Median Home Price:

\$535,000



Active Inventory

942



Avg DOM

41 Days

COMMUNITY VIBE:

Suburb of Boise with TONS of development happening to bring you guys bigger and better things than ever before.. like raising cane's!

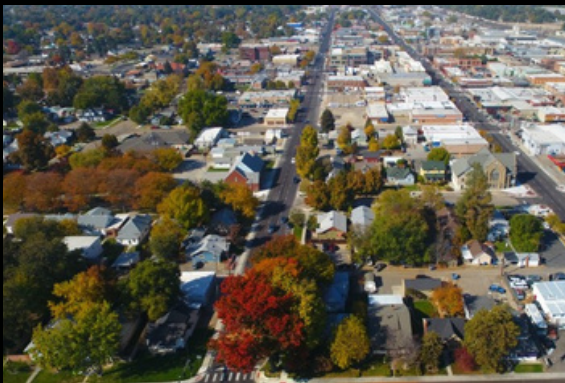
LIVING IN NAMPA



HISTORY

Nampa, Idaho, was founded in the 1880s as a railroad town along the Oregon Short Line Railroad, which played a crucial role in its early growth. The city quickly became a center for agriculture and livestock, thanks to its fertile land and access to irrigation from the Boise Project. By the early 1900s, Nampa had established itself as a major grain, sugar beet, and dairy producer, attracting settlers looking for farming opportunities.

Throughout the 20th century, Nampa evolved from agriculture to a robust manufacturing, education, and transportation economy. Home to Northwest Nazarene University, established in 1913, it became a business hub in Treasure Valley. Now Idaho's third-largest city, Nampa is recognized for affordable housing, a vibrant community, and attractions like the Ford Idaho Center and Snake River Stampede Rodeo, merging its agricultural roots with modern development.



EDUCATION



SHOPPING, MARKETS & MORE!



DISTRICT 208, FORMERLY KARCHER MALL

Once Idaho's first enclosed shopping mall, it now features a mix of retail stores, dining, and local businesses, serving as a community shopping center.



LAKEVIEW PARK

Nampa's oldest and most popular park, offering walking trails, sports fields, picnic areas, a swimming pool, and a scenic pond, perfect for family outings and outdoor activities.



BRICK 29 BISTRO

A highly rated farm-to-table restaurant known for its modern American cuisine, offering dishes like braised short ribs and Idaho trout in a cozy, upscale setting.



WARHAWK AIR MUSEUM

A must-visit aviation museum showcasing historic military aircraft, WWII artifacts, and veteran stories, preserving the legacy of American military aviation.

Nampa is served by the Nampa School District and Vallivue School District, offering a mix of public, charter, and private schools with strong academic and extracurricular programs. Notable high schools include Nampa High, Columbia High, and Vallivue High, known for career-technical education and athletics. The city is also home to Northwest Nazarene University (NNU), a private Christian university offering undergraduate and graduate programs. Additionally, College of Western Idaho (CWI) provides affordable community college options, making Nampa a growing hub for education in the Treasure Valley.

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55-70 MINUTE DRIVE TO MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE



Why These Areas?

Nampa is a great town for those looking to be deeper into the Boise and surrounding areas while also increasing the cost of living affordability but the drive can be a huge turn-off for many folks heading this way.

Adams Ridge By Hubble Homes:

A new construction neighborhood in northern Nampa! this starts at the price point of \$358,000 and up! The best part is you may even have a say on what goes into the home and upgrades along with the incentives offered!

Bodle Farms by Hayden Homes:

Another New Construction community you will love! Hayden homes has multiple options for you to choose from to include quick move-in homes, under-construction and to be built allowing you to choose your buying journey your way!

Brookedale:

A newer neighborhood that's got some years on it allowing it to mature yet location plays a big role on this one! bordering Optimist Park you are a quick walk away from a huge park with tons of activities for your little ones to enjoy... or yourself there's no age limit on the monkey bars!



Population:

122,906



Median Home Price:

\$465,000



Active Inventory

764



Avg DOM

38 Days

COMMUNITY VIBE:

The bordering city of Meridian, Nampa is an up-and-coming area with tons of growth to come. Tons of history and relatively calm.

LIVING IN KUNA



HISTORY

Kuna, Idaho, was established in the late 1800s as a railroad stop along the Oregon Short Line Railroad, which connected Boise to the broader region. Originally a small farming community, Kuna thrived due to its fertile soil and irrigation from the Boise River, making it a hub for wheat, alfalfa, and dairy farming. By the early 1900s, the town had a general store, a post office, and a growing population of settlers drawn to agriculture and the open land.

Kuna was a quiet rural town until the early 2000s when suburban growth from Boise spurred rapid development. It became a sought-after residential area known for affordable housing and family-friendly neighborhoods. Today, Kuna retains its small-town charm while evolving with a growing economy, new schools, and attractions like Indian Creek, Celebration Park, and Swan Falls Dam, showcasing its rich history and natural beauty.



EDUCATION



SHOPPING, MARKETS & MORE!



KUNA FARMERS MARKET

A seasonal outdoor market featuring fresh local produce, baked goods, handcrafted items, and artisan products, supporting Kuna's farmers and small businesses from spring to fall.



BERNIE FISHER PARK

A popular community park in the heart of Kuna, offering a playground, picnic areas, sports courts, and event space, serving as a gathering spot for local festivals and activities.



ENRIQUE'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT

A local favorite for authentic Mexican cuisine, known for its fresh handmade tortillas, flavorful street tacos, and house-made margaritas, served in a lively atmosphere.



SWAN FALLS DAM

A historic hydroelectric dam on the Snake River, offering fishing, hiking, camping, and breathtaking canyon views, making it a top outdoor destination near Kuna.

Kuna is served by the Kuna School District, which includes several elementary, middle, and high schools known for strong academic programs and growing extracurricular opportunities. Kuna High School offers college prep, career-technical education, and athletics, while newer schools like Swan Falls High provide modern facilities and specialized learning tracks. The district emphasizes STEM, agriculture, and trade programs, reflecting Kuna's mix of rural heritage and growing suburban community. Residents also have access to nearby higher education options like College of Western Idaho (CWI) and Boise State University.

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Why These Areas?

Kuna is the happy middle you've been looking for. If you wanted suburb living with a true authentic agriculture feel this is the one. Also It's 20 minutes to Boise and significantly more affordable housing wise!

Sera Sole By Hubble Homes:

A new construction neighborhood in South Kuna! This is another neighborhood brought to you by Hubble homes where you can choose from the many options available to you starting at \$368,000!

Patagonia:

This New construction neighborhood is unlike any of the others we've discussed yet. This one is a master community built by some of Idaho's best variety to allow you more decisions than ever to choose your next home!

Greyhawk

This neighborhood is an established area with tons of growth around it! This charming neighborhood sits directly across from the community park and playground and offers quick access being only 10 minutes to the I-84 freeway and just 5 minutes to downtown Kuna.



Population:

30,427



Median Home Price:

\$455,000



Active Inventory

328



Avg DOM

77 Days

COMMUNITY VIBE:

Defined by its small-town charm many residents appreciate the relaxed, rural-suburban feel away from the bustle of larger cities like Boise and Meridian

III. *Living* ON BASE

- All of your BAH will automatically go to on-base housing, meaning you will not receive BAH in your bank account.
- Utilities are included in on-base housing, covering water, electricity, and trash services.
- Apply for housing ASAP – you must have official orders to be placed on the waitlist.
- You will not be activated on the housing list until you are signed out of your current duty station.
- Waitlist can take from 2-6 months dependent on availability and is always subject to change

THE MOUNTAIN HOME FAMILY HOUSING COMMUNITY IS COMPRISED OF SEVEN DISTINCT NEIGHBORHOODS SERVING ACTIVE DUTY AIR FORCE FAMILIES ASSIGNED TO MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE.

MOUNTAIN HOME FAMILY HOUSING OFFERS A WIDE VARIETY OF MOVE-IN READY TWO, THREE AND FOUR-BEDROOM HOMES IN SINGLE-FAMILY AND DUPLEX HOME STYLES.



MOUNTAIN HOME AFB FAMILY HOUSING

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EMAIL: MHAFB_HOUSING@LINCOLNMILITARY.COM

III. *Living* ON BASE



Coyote Terrace

Beds: 2 – 4 Baths: 1.5 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E9

Located near the Silver Sage Golf Course, Coyote Terrace offers two, three and four-bedroom homes featuring a garage, laundry room with utility sink and master suite. This walkable neighborhood also includes several playgrounds and covered pavilions.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

Woodland Groves

Beds: 2 – 4 Baths: 1 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E6

The Woodland Groves neighborhood has two, three and four-bedroom homes located near the Mountain Home Commissary. These homes feature a two-car garage, master suite and central heating and air conditioning. Residents in this neighborhood also have access to playgrounds and covered pavilions.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

Sagebrush View

Beds: 2 – 4 Baths: 1.5 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E9; O1 – O3

The Sagebrush View neighborhood offers two, three and four-bedroom homes featuring a laundry room, porch and fenced-in back yard. The Mountain Home AFB Elementary School, Shoppette and base hospital are all close by and residents here enjoy their own playgrounds, basketball court and covered pavilions.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

Gunfighter Manor

Beds: 3 – 4 Baths: 2 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E9; O1 – O6

Gunfighter Manor features three and four-bedroom homes with amenities including a master suite, central heating and air conditioning, and ample closets and storage space. This walkable neighborhood includes access to several playgrounds.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

III. *Living* ON BASE



Coyote Terrace

Beds: 2 – 4 Baths: 1.5 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E9

Located near the Silver Sage Golf Course, Coyote Terrace offers two, three and four-bedroom homes featuring a garage, laundry room with utility sink and master suite. This walkable neighborhood also includes several playgrounds and covered pavilions.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

Desert Skies

Beds: 2 – 4 Baths: 1.5 – 2.5 Eligibility: E1 – E9

The Desert Skies neighborhood offers a variety of two, three and four-bedroom home styles that include such amenities as a fully-equipped kitchen with breakfast bar, patio and ample closets and storage space. This neighborhood is located near the base hospital and features basketball and tennis courts and several playgrounds.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

Gunfighter Circle

Beds: 4 Baths: 2 – 2.5 Eligibility: O4 – O6

Four-bedroom homes can be found in the Gunfighter Circle neighborhood. These homes feature a two-car garage, master suite, laundry room and much more. Residents of Gunfighter Circle enjoy walking paths and playgrounds close by.

[Floor Plans](#)[View Photos](#)

V. APPLY FOR ON-BASE HOUSING

YOU WILL NOT BE ACTIVE ON THE HOUSING WAITLIST UNTIL YOU SIGN OUT OF YOUR CURRENT DUTY STATION/SCHOOL STATION.

However, submit paperwork as soon as you receive official orders to secure a higher spot on the waitlist.

Steps to Apply for On-Base Housing:

1. Go to However, submit paperwork as soon as you receive official orders to secure a higher spot on the waitlist. to see available housing options and current waitlist times. Typically, the nicer the housing, the longer the waitlist. You can submit your application online.
2. Visit the Mountain Home AFB Family Housing Facebook page for photos, PCS resources, and other reference guides.
3. Once you've reviewed housing options, call the housing office at (208) 832-9900 to select your preferred waitlist. You can choose only one waitlist or tell them you'll take the first available unit.
4. Submit your paperwork via email, fax, or in-person. Required documents include:
 - Copy of driver's license
 - DD1172 form (available at the DEERS office)
 - Official Orders
5. Sign out of your current duty station and provide housing with your DA31 form to finalize your application. Your previous station should supply this form.



1,950+ Homes



7 Neighborhoods



3 Schools Nearby



20+ Playgrounds

Community Amenities:

- ✓ Lawn and garden care
- ✓ Trash and recycling pickup
- ✓ Clubhouse & fitness centers
- ✓ Basketball courts & playgrounds
- ✓ Walking and biking trails
- ✓ Seasonal community events

Home Amenities (Varies by Unit):

- ✓ Refrigerator & dishwasher
- ✓ Washer & dryer hookups
- ✓ Central air conditioning
- ✓ Fenced yards (select homes)
- ✓ Carports or garages
- ✓ Extra storage space

VI. I JUST ARRIVED ON BASE... *Now what??*

Note: You may still need to complete in-processing with your unit, and they may not be available to assist with everything needed to settle in.

REQUIREMENTS:

- All Airmen must attend Newcomers Orientation, held every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. at the Gunfighter Service Center (Bldg 180), which provides essential base information and resources.
- Upon arrival, all personnel will in-process at the Military Personnel Flight (MPF), located at Bldg 512, Mountain Home AFB.
- If driving, enter through the Grand View Gate and follow signage for MPF in-processing.
- Pets must be registered at the on-base veterinary clinic within 10 days of arrival if residing in base housing.

TO-DO LIST:

- ✓ **Finance & Travel Reimbursement** – Submit travel paperwork to Finance at MPF for reimbursement of travel expenses and DLA (Dislocation Allowance). Processing typically takes 3-6 weeks.
- ✓ **Coordinate Household Goods (HHG) Delivery** – Contact your moving company or TMO (Traffic Management Office) to ensure your belongings arrive as scheduled.
- ✓ **Medical Enrollment** – Call Tricare to assign a PCM (Primary Care Manager) at the 366th Medical Group on base.
- ✓ **Loan Closet Access** – If waiting on household goods, visit the Airman & Family Readiness Center (Bldg 180) for loaner furniture, kitchenware, and essential items (valid for 30 days, extensions available).
- ✓ **School Enrollment** – Bring all required documents to enroll children in Mountain Home AFB schools or local schools in town.
- ✓ **Driver's License & Vehicle Registration** – If changing your state of residency to Idaho, update your driver's license and register your vehicle within 30 days at the Idaho DMV. Military members may retain their home state residency if preferred.

VII. TEMPORARY LODGING

ON-BASE OPTIONS:

MOUNTAIN HOME AFB INN (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITY - TLF)

- 📍 Address: 362 Gunfighter Ave, Mountain Home AFB, ID 83648
- ☎ Phone: (208) 828-5200
- Always ask for military discounts and extended stay rates!
- On-base lodging reservations can be modified or canceled up to 24 hours before check-in, so book early.

OFF-BASE OPTIONS:

1. **Best Western Foothills Inn (Pet-friendly, military discounts available)**

- 📍 Address: 1080 Highway 20, Mountain Home, ID 83647
- ☎ Phone: (208) 587-8477

2. **Hampton Inn & Suites Mountain Home (Free breakfast, pet-friendly)**

- 📍 Address: 3175 NE Foothills Ave, Mountain Home, ID 83647
- ☎ Phone: (208) 587-7300

3. **TownePlace Suites by Marriott Boise (Extended-stay hotel, ~45 min from base)**

- 📍 Address: 1455 S Capitol Blvd, Boise, ID 83706
- ☎ Phone: (208) 429-8881

- AHRN.com and Airbnb.com are great resources for additional temporary lodging options!

✉ Email: mhafb_housing@lincolnmilitary.com

☎ Phone: (208) 832-9900

VII. TEMPORARY LODGING

MOUNTAIN HOME AFB, ID BAH RATES		
GRADE	WITH DEPENDENTS	WITHOUT DEPENDENTS
E1	\$1,593	\$1,512
E2	\$1,593	\$1,512
E3	\$1,593	\$1,512
E4	\$1,593	\$1,512
E5	\$1,674	\$1,515
E6	\$2,298	\$1,725
E7	\$2,322	\$1,743
E8	\$2,331	
E9	\$2,424	\$1,800 \$1,986
W1	\$2,319	\$1,740
W2	\$2,328	\$1,797
W3	\$2,340	\$2,010
W4	\$2,466	\$2,295
W5	\$2,637	\$2,310
O1E	\$2,325	\$1,749
O2E	\$2,334	\$1,944
O3E	\$2,490	\$2,292
O1	\$1,752	\$1,518
O2	\$2,292	\$1,746
O3	\$2,337	\$2,073
O4	\$2,697	\$2,298
O5	\$2,964	\$2,313
O6	\$2,991	\$2,316
O7	\$3,012	\$2,343

VIII. FINANCES

DISCLAIMER: KEEP RECEIPTS FOR EVERYTHING! HOWEVER, MOST PEOPLE ARE ONLY ASKED TO PROVIDE RECEIPTS FOR HOTEL STAYS.

What if I can't afford this move?

Military and Travel Pay Advances – Service members can request Advance Pay, Advance Travel, and PPM reimbursement from the Finance Office during their in-processing at Mountain Home AFB. Service members can typically request one month's advance pay on departure unless otherwise stated in their PCS orders. E-4 and below require a commander's signature to request an advance. Finance will review each request to determine eligibility. Payments are typically made 10 days before departure from the previous duty station, or members may be issued a government travel card.

If additional financial assistance is needed, consider an AER loan:

🌐 Website: <https://www.aerhq.org>

📞 Phone: (208) 828-2458 (Mountain Home AFB Finance Office)

Reimbursement:

- ✓ Receipts are required for claims over \$75 in tolls.
- ✓ Hotel receipts are mandatory for lodging reimbursement.

Per Diem Breakdown:

- TLE (Temporary Lodging Expense): Up to \$200 per day for 10 days in a hotel.
- Mileage Reimbursement: \$0.22 per mile for PCS moves by vehicle.
- Per Diem for Driving: \$157 per day (varies by distance).

FYI:

- The Air Force does not cover vehicle shipping within the U.S. Members must personally arrange transport for additional vehicles.
- Vehicle shipping costs average \$1,300, depending on distance and vehicle size.

Resource:

💰 DLA (Dislocation Allowance) eligibility details:

🔗 https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/Docs/perdiem/browse/Allowances/Dislocation_Allowance

For additional reimbursement questions, visit www.defensetravel.dod.mil

✉ Email: mhafb_housing@lincolnmilitary.com

📞 Phone: (208) 828-2458

VIII. FREE FINANCIAL RESOURCES

- First Command Financial Services offers free services including financial literacy classes, budget counseling, and credit counseling.

📞 **(208) 832-4375**

- Mountain Home AFB Financial Readiness Program helps service members understand credit scores, reducing debt, credit building, deployment financial planning, budgeting, and retirement strategies.

📞 **(208) 828-2458**

- FREE Lunch & Learn Financial Literacy Sessions – Regular sessions available on base to help members improve financial wellness.

📞 **(208) 828-2458**

- Airman & Family Readiness Center (AFRC) Financial Readiness Program – Provides guidance on military pay, savings plans, investing, credit reporting, and debt management to help Airmen and families maintain financial stability. 📞 **(208) 828-2458**

- Command Financial Specialist Program – A resource for unit commanders to educate, counsel, and assist service members in financial responsibility to ensure readiness and deployability through strong money management skills.

IX. IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Category	Phone
Mountain Home AFB Family Housing Office	(208) 832-9900
Maintenance Office	(208) 832-9900
Base Primary School	(208) 832-4651
Hacker Middle School	(208) 587-2500
Mountain Home Junior High	(208) 587-2590
Mountain Home High School	(208) 587-2570
Idaho Power (Electricity)	(800) 488-6151
City of Mountain Home (Water & Sewer)	(208) 587-2104
Sparklight (Internet & Cable)	(877) 692-2253
CenturyLink (Internet & Cable)	(866) 963-6665
Gunfighter CDC	(208) 828-2443
Mountain Home Youth Center	(208) 828-2501
366th Medical Group (Base Clinic)	(208) 828-7900
Emergency Room (St. Luke's Elmore Hospital)	(208) 587-8401
Base Security Forces	(208) 828-2256
Fire Department	911
Suicide Prevention Hotline	988
Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 799-7233

X. SCHOOL ZONES

Resource:

 <https://www.mountainhomehousing.com/schools>

Grade Level	School	Coverage Area
High School (9-12)	Mountain Home High School	Mountain Home AFB & Surrounding Areas
Middle School (7-8)	Mountain Home Junior High	Mountain Home AFB & Surrounding Areas
Intermediate School (5-6)	Hacker Middle School	Mountain Home AFB & Surrounding Areas
Elementary School (K-4)	Base Primary School	Mountain Home AFB Housing & Off-Base Areas

To view school zones for Mountain Home Air Force Base, you can refer to the Mountain Home School District's resources. While specific boundary maps may not be readily available online, you can obtain detailed information by contacting the School Administration Office directly at (208) 587-2580. They can provide guidance on school zones and enrollment procedures for families residing on or near the base.

XIII. FINDING A JOB

Mountain Home AFB Job Search

- **Transition Assistance Program (TAP)** – Provides career counseling, job postings, resume assistance, and workshops for transitioning service members. Located at the Airman & Family Readiness Center (Bldg. 180). Open Monday-Friday, 8 AM - 5 PM. 📞 **(208) 828-2458**
 - **Become a Family Child Care (FCC) provider** – Mountain Home AFB offers free training to become an FCC provider for on-base families. Pick up an application at the FCC Office, Bldg. 609. 📞 **(208) 828-2443**
🌐 <https://militarybenefits.info/become-family-child-care-provider/>
 - **Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC)** – Provides resources for civil service jobs on base. 📍 Location: 366 Gunfighter Ave. Hours: 8 AM - 4 PM (closed Wednesdays from 12 PM - 4 PM). 📞 **(208) 828-2000**
 - **Apply for GS (Government Service) jobs** – Visit [USAJOBS.gov](https://www.usajobs.gov) and filter your search to Mountain Home AFB for open positions.
📞 **For assistance: (208) 828-2002**
 - **Hiring Our Heroes** – Offers employment assistance for veterans, military spouses, and transitioning service members.
🌐 <https://www.hiringourheroes.org>
📌 Facebook: [Hiring Our Heroes](#)
- Job Search Resources:**
- 🔗 www.dol.gov/veterans
 - 🔗 www.indeed.com
 - 🔗 www.usajobs.gov
 - Mountain Home AFB Housing Group on Facebook often posts local job listings. Join the group and search for "jobs" to find open positions!

💡 Tip: Check out other local Facebook groups and community boards for job postings in the area!

XIV. COUNSELING/SUPPORT

MOUNTAIN HOME AFB COUNSELING & SUPPORT SERVICES

- Stress / Anger / Conflict Workshop – An 8-hour workshop designed to help service members recognize and manage stress, anger, and conflict resolution techniques. Held at the Airman & Family Readiness Center (Bldg. 180) every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 8 AM - 4 PM. Child care is available upon request. ☎ (208) 828-2458
- Relationship Enrichment Program (REP) – Provides resources, strategies, and skills for couples to recognize stressors, improve communication, and strengthen relationships. Workshops occur on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Airman & Family Readiness Center. ☎ (208) 828-2458
- Family Advocacy Program (FAP) – Supports service members and families in preventing domestic violence, child abuse, and neglect. Provides counseling, education, and intervention to strengthen military family relationships. ☎ (208) 828-7520 | National Domestic Violence Hotline: (800) 799-7233
- Military & Family Life Counseling (MFLC) – Confidential, non-medical counseling services available for service members and their families to manage stress, relationships, and daily challenges. Available on-base and in the community. ☎ (208) 828-2458
- Single Airman Support Network – A program to connect and assist single Airmen with networking, stress management, and mentorship. Group meets upon request. ☎ (208) 828-2458

PARENTING & FAMILY SUPPORT

- Military OneSource – 24/7 non-medical counseling for service members and their families to help with stress, relationships, and financial concerns. Call anytime from anywhere in the world.
☎ 800-342-9647
🌐 Website: www.militaryonesource.mil
 - New Parent Support Program (NPSP) – Provides in-home visitation, parent education, and resources for military families with children ages 0-3. Located at Airman & Family Readiness Center (Bldg. 180). ☎ (208) 828-2458
 - Common Sense Parenting – A program for parents of children ages 4-12, focusing on effective discipline, family dynamics, and childhood development. Workshops are held every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM at Gunfighter Service Center. ☎ (208) 828-7520
 - Active Parenting / Teen Challenge – A workshop for parents of teens ages 13-18, offering guidance and strategies to help manage adolescence challenges and responsibilities.
☎ (208) 828-7520
- 📍 Location: Airman & Family Readiness Center (Bldg. 180)
☎ Phone: (208) 828-2458

BONUS INFO!

If you made it this far I wanted to add something special.

I wanted to share with you some of the fun things I've personally enjoyed doing while living here over the years. One thing you'll never find yourself struggling with is finding something to do. These are my personal favorite things I've gotten to do personally and thought you guys would appreciate before wrapping this guide up.



Mountain Home Air Force Appreciation Day

This is an annual event they do here in Mountain home kicking it off with a parade and after you can head over to Carl Miller Park where they have TONS of food vendors and other local businesses in the area for you to meet, greet, try and enjoy!



Boise State University Basketball Games

During the winter seson if you're looking for a good event to attend and enjoy a high energy competitive atmosphere than youll love the BSU Basketball Games! This was a picture from my first ever college game and it was an awesome time!



Yoi Tomo Sushi

I'm throwing this in here because a lot of folks come here from over seas or Hawaii looking for good sushi and this place Kills it! 10/10 recommend coming here for a date night or even just to go and enjoy downtown boise!

BONUS INFO!



New Years Potato Drop

This definitely is going to speak for itself.... The most Idaho thing you'll probably ever see and i've seen it multiple times. It really is a good time to go out and experience it for the one time and don't worry theres no potato's required to get in. They host this event at the Boise Capital every year.



Float The Boise River

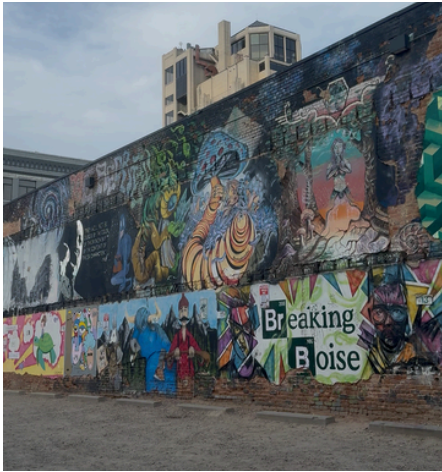
You probably can't see it clearly but I had my birthday hat on. Every year for my birthday I take a group of friends and go enjoy some time floating the river. It's not dangerous if you know how to swim but you will have to avoid some branches here and there that will give you a nice bump or take out your float.



The Rodeos

Never in my life did I think I'd end up at one of these but here's the proof. It was actually a really good time and they throw these all over the treasure valley. They always say don't knock it til you try it so even if you're a city boy like me, go have fun and enjoy the show!

BONUS INFO!



Freak Alley

In downtown Boise they have something called freak alley which sounds a little... suspicious but its really just an alley filled with tons of art thats pretty cool to check out and close to everything you may also want to see down town!



Boise Spirit of Balloons

One of the biggest events that happens every year you dont want to miss! They bring hot air balloons from all over the world and for 4 days you can come by and check out all the different events they throw during the time they are here! 10/10 recommend seeing at least once.



Luck peak

If youre into boating, water tubing, jet skiing and anything that involves water this is one of the most popular places to check out! they also have a mock up beach area you can go enjoy with the fam bam or bring your squadron along!

BONUS INFO!



Bogus Basin

The go-to for everything winter. Now let me start by saying I had never snowboarded or Ski'd in my life as an adult but have over the years enjoyed this more and more. I also absolutely despise the cold so if you're like me, just trust me and at least give it a go MHAFB outdoor rec also has equipment you can rent alot cheaper as well!



Golf

This ones for all the golfers. There is TONS of golf courses from Mountain home AFB, to the town itself all the way up and through the boise and surrounding areas. My favorite so far is hands down Banbury along with river crest golf course as well. Quail hollow is also a course with a view but get out and scheudle your tee time!



Gallos Tacos

Now I saved the best for last, but this ones also special to me. Gallo (2nd to the left) is a current active duty member at MHAFB. Every Friday and Saturday night you can go and try LITERALLY the best damn tacos Idaho has to offer in downtown Boise while also supporting a fellow wingman, If you don't love it I will personally refund you.

CONCLUSION

THANK YOU for taking the time to read through our Mountain Home AFB PCS Guide.

I truly hope it provided you with value and made your transition to Mountain Home AFB smoother and less stressful.

If you have any questions, feel free to email, call, or text me anytime!

If you're considering buying or selling a home in the area, I'd love to assist you.

I can also provide my Home Buyer's Guide, which includes a trusted list of vendors, lenders, inspectors, contractors, and more, to help make the process as seamless as possible.

WELCOME to Mountain Home AFB and the Treasure Valley!

I look forward to hearing from you and being part of your home journey.

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