

Jo Daviess County

New Resident's Welcome Kit



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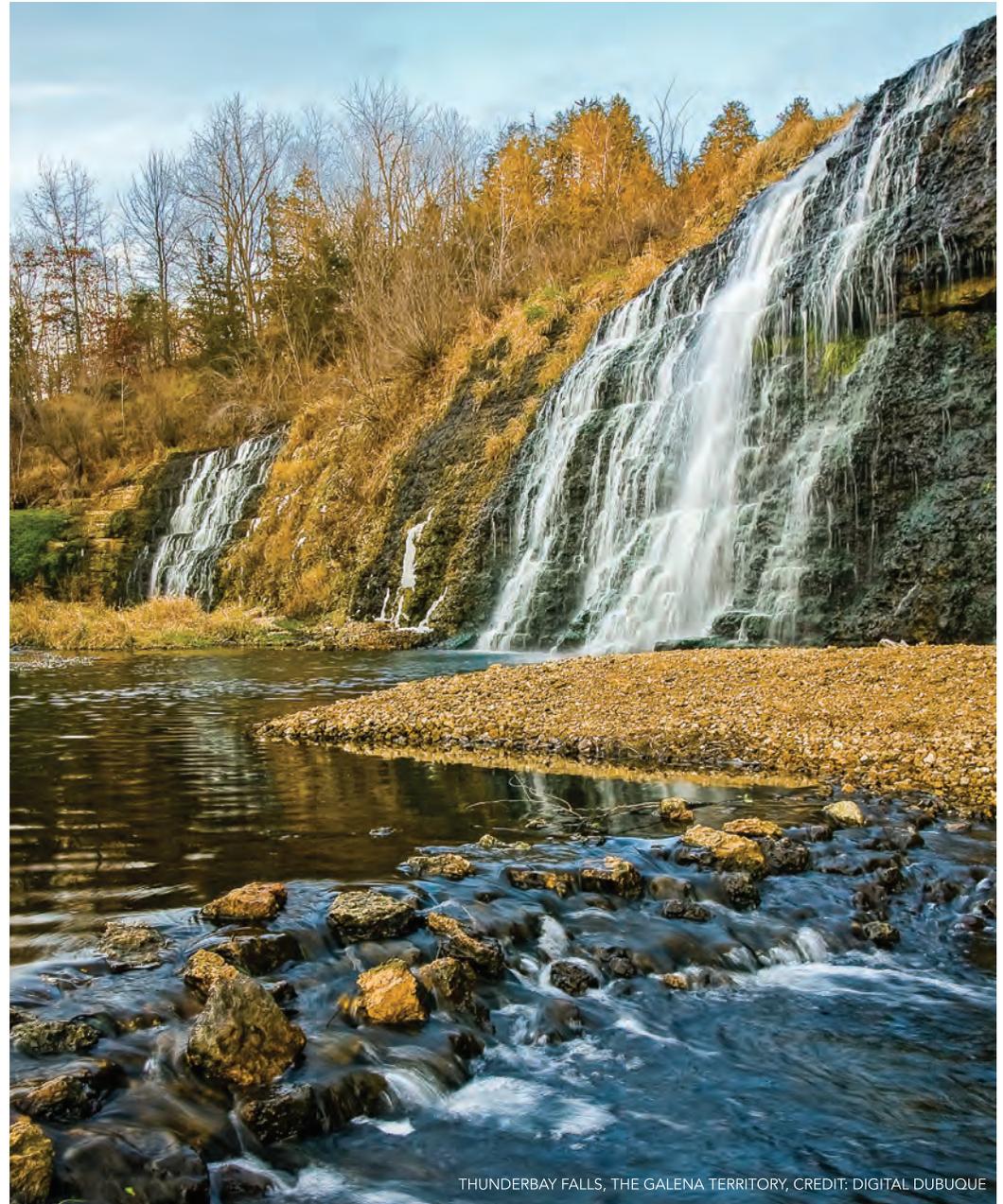
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“In Jo Daviess County we care deeply about our land and our people! Whatever your environmental concerns may be, from addressing climate change and plastic pollution to actively restoring prairies, you will find like minded folks to join and to support you.” - Hendrica Regez



THUNDERBAY FALLS, THE GALENA TERRITORY, CREDIT: DIGITAL DUBUQUE

Love Living Here

Jo Daviess County, Illinois

Welcome to Galena Country

We love living here, and we bet you will, too.

Nestled along the Mississippi River, our little corner of the world offers big finds for the lifestyle you long for. Being “at home” feels like being “on a weekend getaway” every day of the year when you make your home in scenic Jo Daviess County.

Breathtaking beauty, outdoor adventures, peace and serenity, small-town warmth, a caring community, thriving small businesses with above-and-beyond customer service, and world-class dining marries with modern necessity—top-rated schools, respected and awarded healthcare professionals and fitness facilities, rapidly expanding fiber network, cell network build outs, and close access to transportation hubs. Living in Galena Country gives “working from home” a fresh new perspective. And, it’s a wonderful place to raise a family or retire.

Make your move and write your story. We’re here to help.



jodaviess.org
815.777.6557



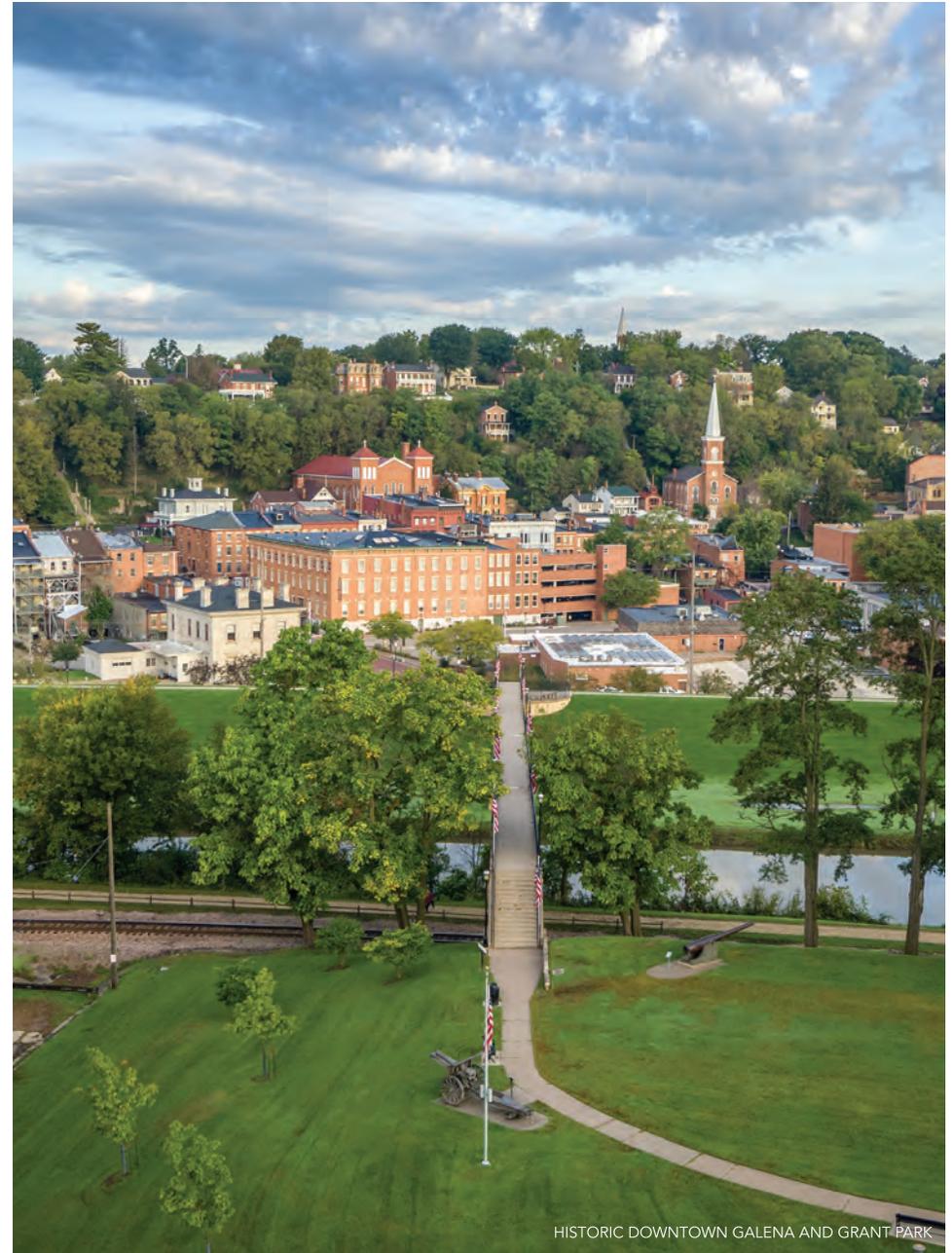
cityofgalena.org
815.777.1050



visitgalena.org
815.776.9200



nwiled.org
815.858.4491



HISTORIC DOWNTOWN GALENA AND GRANT PARK

Founded in 1826, we have a history of seeing things others don't. When you're here, you'll see and do things you won't see anywhere else. We call it being original because we may be old, but we're never the same old thing. #ForeverOriginal

At A Glance

Jo Daviess County Communities & Resources

“My brother and I decided to open our business seven years ago in Galena and have been overwhelmingly delighted with the decision ever since. Aside from the bustling tourism traffic, it is an amazing small town to raise a family in. It truly is a hidden midwestern gem.” - Matt Blaum



Jo Daviess County

County Courthouse
330 N. Bench St., Galena
815-777-0161 | jodaviess.org

Property Taxes
County Treasurer's Office
815-777-0355

Voter Registration & Election Authority
County Clerk & Recorder's Office
815-777-0151

Jo Daviess County Health Department
9483 US Hwy 20 West, Galena
815-777-0263 | jodaviess.org/health

Dog License/Animal Control
815-776-0326 | jodaviess.org/animalcontrol

Driver's License & License Plates
Office of the Illinois Secretary of State
987 Galena Square Dr, Galena
815-777-2676 | cyberdriveillinois.com

Jo Daviess County Planning & Development
Highway Department Building
1 Commercial Drive, Suite 1, Hanover 61041
815.591.3810 | jodaviess.org/building

Apple Canyon Lake - 61001

Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Association
815-492-2238 | applecanyonlake.org
14A157 Canyon Club Drive
Apple River 61001

Security 815-492-2436 | Sheriff 815-777-2141

Lending Library (ACL Members and Guests)
Apple Canyon Lake Clubhouse
14A157 Canyon Club Drive

Post Office
110 West Railroad Street (*Apple River*)

Apple River - 61001

Village of Apple River
105 N. Prairie Street
Apple River 61001

Police 815-777-2141

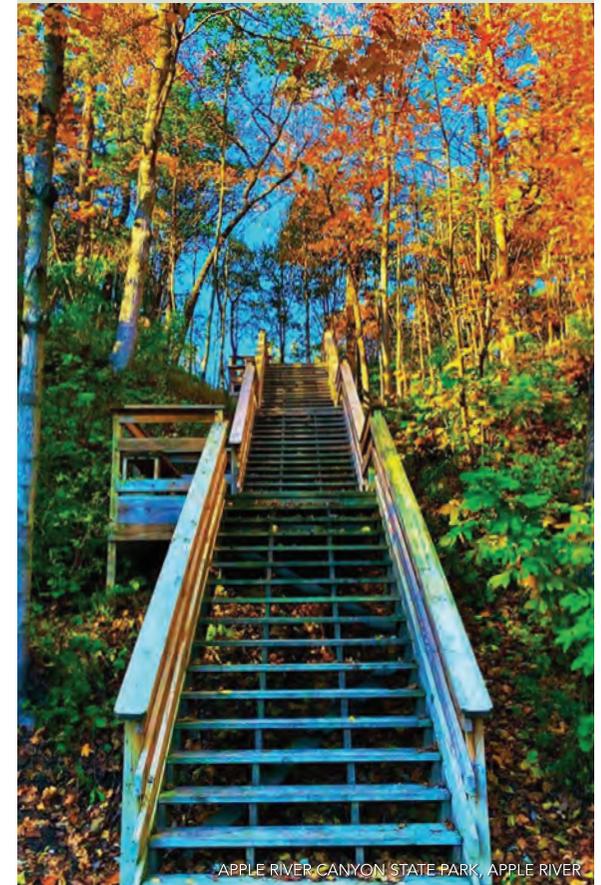
Library, 105 N. Prairie Street

Post Office, 110 W. Railroad Street
Apple River 61001

Apple River truly reflects the atmosphere and charm of rural Illinois. It is also home to the 297-acre Apple River Canyon State Park - offering pet-friendly hiking, camping, and fishing year-round.

The focal point of Apple Canyon Lake is the 480-acre lake itself, which is approximately 3 miles long with over 15 miles of shoreline.

Open to residents and their guests only, this planned recreational community offers many amenities, including trails and indoor recreation.



APPLE RIVER CANYON STATE PARK, APPLE RIVER

At A Glance

Jo Daviess County Communities

"The beauty of this area and the strong sense of community are things we don't take for granted. I wish I'd been born here, but the next best thing was being able to raise our son, Alex, here. In terms of quality of life, our move here was the best move we've ever made!" - Beth & Jim Baranski



East Dubuque - 61025

City Hall 815-747-3416 | cityofeastdubuque.com
261 Sinsinawa Avenue, East Dubuque 61025

Library 815-747-3052 | edlibrary.org
122 Wisconsin Avenue

Police 815-747-3919
193 Sinsinawa Avenue

Post Office
200 Wall Street



GRAMERCY PARK, EAST DUBUQUE

A northern gateway to the Great River Road in Illinois, East Dubuque has much to offer: from golfing 45-holes at Lacoma Golf, to fine dining at Timmerman's Supper Club, or visiting the Hopewell Indian Mounds at Gramercy Park.

Elizabeth - 61028

Village Office 815-858-3911 | villageofelizabethil.com
310 N. West Street, P.O. Box 236
Room 140, Elizabeth 61028

Library 815-858-2212 | elizabethpubliclibrary.org
210 E. Myrtle Street

Police 815-858-3314

Post Office
120 E. Myrtle Street

Recipient of the 2010 Governor's Home Town Award for its rich history and Midwestern culture. Home to five museums, numerous antique stores and multiple options for dining and shopping, Elizabeth captures all of the benefits of rural America, in addition to the advantages of being a 21st-century Main Street community.

Galena - 61036

City Hall 815-777-1050 | cityofgalena.org
101 Green Street, Galena 61036

Zoning Department 815-777-1050
cityofgalena.org/en/departments/zoning

Library 815-777-0200 | galenalibrary.org
601 S. Bench Street

Police 815-777-2131
311 N. Bench Street
facebook.com/galenailpolice

Post Office
901 Galena Square Drive (&)
110 Green Street

The Galena Territory - 61036

The Galena Territory Association (GTA)
815-777-2000 | thegalenaterritory.com
2000 Territory Drive, Galena 61036

Library | galenalibrary.org
Galena Public Library
601 Bench Street, Galena

GTA Security 815-266-6251
Sheriff 815-777-2141

Post Office
901 Galena Square Drive (&)
110 Green Street

At A Glance

Jo Daviess County Communities

"My husband and I, who came from New York and Chicago, love that we can interact personally with so many incredible artists and musicians in Jo Daviess County."
- Carole Sullivan, Executive Director, Galena Center for the Arts



Hanover - 61041

Village Hall 815-591-3800 | Hanover-il.com

207 Jefferson Street

207 Jefferson Street
Police 815-591-2100

Post Office
220 Jefferson Street

Located on the Apple River, Hanover is home to Whistling Wings, the world's largest mallard duck hatchery. Mallardfest, complete with a duck-calling contest is a yearly tribute to the town's hatchery that takes place every September. Chestnut Mountain is located nearby as well as two lush vineyards.

Scales Mound - 61075

Village Office 815-845-2545 | scalesmound.com

309 N. Avenue

Sheriff 815-777-2141

Post Office
310 S. Avenue

With more than 90 percent of its village on the National Historic Register, Scales Mound is a must see. It's also a former stopping point on the historic Stagecoach Trail. In addition, the village's proximity to the Wisconsin border and Charles Mound, the highest elevation in Illinois at 1,235 feet, has born the proud slogan: "At the Top of Illinois."

Stockton - 61085

City Hall 815-947-2515 | villageofstockton.com

(or) [facebook.com/villageofstockton](https://www.facebook.com/villageofstockton)

155 W. Front Avenue

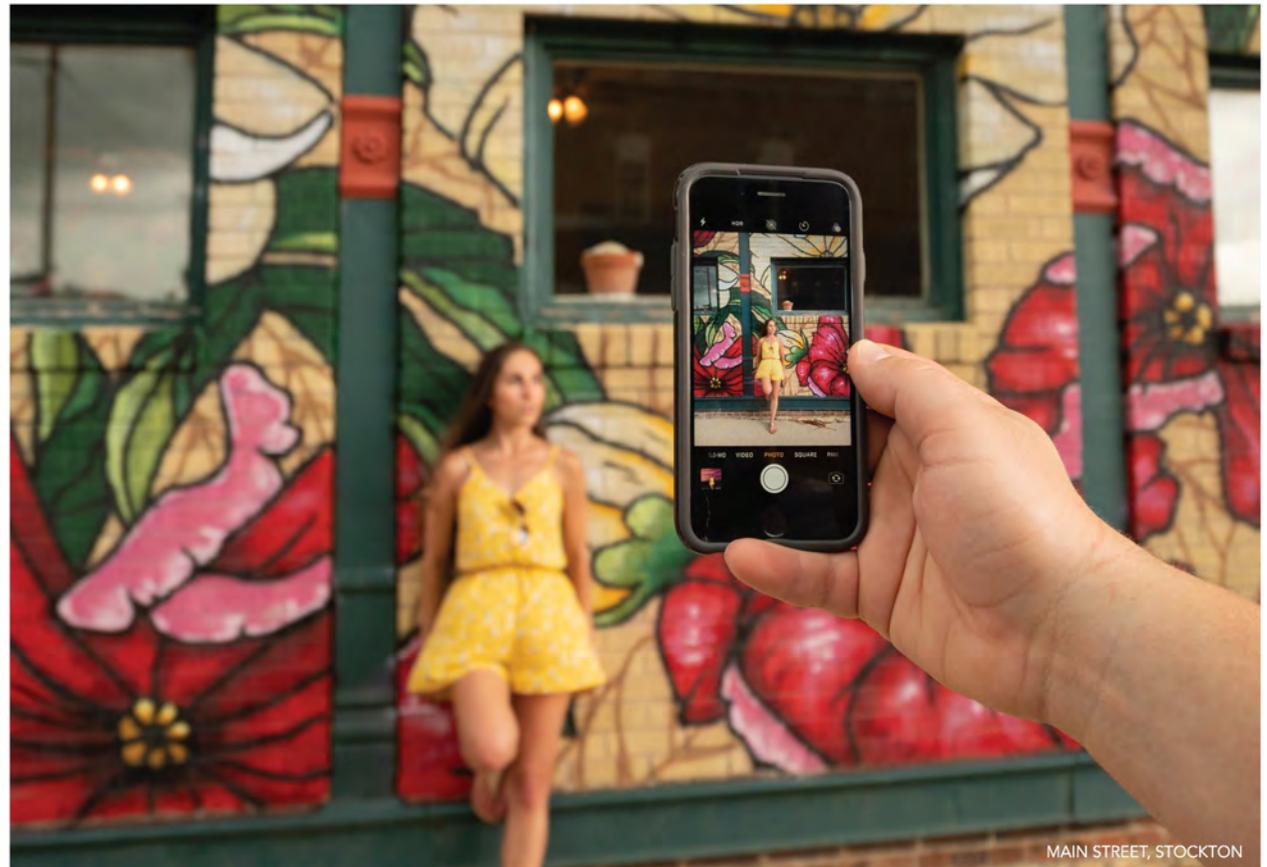
Library 815-947-2030 | stocktonlibrary.org

140 W. Benton Avenue

Police
815-947-2512

Post Office
201 W. Railroad Avenue

Just off U.S. Route 20, Stockton's Main Street has plenty of shopping options from antiques to unique gifts and more!



MAIN STREET, STOCKTON

At A Glance

Jo Daviess County Communities

“Susan and I moved here from the far northern suburbs of Chicago eight years ago. I took a job as the Exec. Director of the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation. The people are friendly and hardworking. The pace is more human and connected to the land. We are here to stay.” - Steve & Susan Barg



Warren - 61087

City Hall 815-745-3315 | villageofwarren.com (or)
[facebook.com/villageofwarren](https://www.facebook.com/villageofwarren)
516 Anson Street

Library 815-745-2076 | wtpl.weebly.com
210 Burnett Avenue

Police 815-745-2418

Post Office
101 E. Main Street

Located at the intersection of two stagecoach routes and the Illinois Central Railroad, Warren is rich in history. The Jo Daviess County Fair, held midsummer, is iconic for its longevity.

Warren holds its annual Pumpkin Festival every September. The village is also the site of the Jo Daviess County Fair, the oldest county fair in the state of Illinois.

Woodbine

Unincorporated community.
Refer to Elizabeth or Stockton.

Located in between Stockton and Elizabeth in the heart of Jo Daviess County, Woodbine is a quiet township of 580 people. This sleepy community is home to a Glass Museum, the Woodbine Golf Course & Restaurant and the eclectic Nature's Treasures for fun shopping.

Unincorporated Communities

Massbach

Refer to Elizabeth.

Located 7 miles southeast of Elizabeth, this unincorporated area is home to award-winning Massbach Ridge Winery & Vineyard.

Menominee - 61025

Refer to East Dubuque.

This small community might be unincorporated but they've also got one of the best pizza joints in the County. Be sure to check out JM's Tap.

Nora - 61059

Post Office
111 W. Chestnut Street

Refer to Warren.

Once a bustling railroad community, Nora now serves as the starting point for one of the County's most scenic routes - Stagecoach Trail.

Schapville

Refer to Scales Mound.

Just east of the Galena Territory, this Schapville features stunning views of countryside hills. A must-visit area in beautiful Jo Daviess Country.



MAIN STREET, WARREN

Move Here

Housing and Workforce

"I couldn't be more proud to call Galena home for myself and my business. It's not only the quality of life, but also the quality of caring that is so evident among fellow business owners and residents! When one business prospers, everyone prospers, and that can be seen throughout this entire community." - Matthew Carroll



Housing

Median Home Value: \$144,000 - data.census.gov
Median Home Price: \$168,000 - [zillow.com](https://www.zillow.com)
Median Rent: \$639/month - data.census.gov
Property tax (avg): 1.9%
Sales tax: 7.25%

Work Opportunities

- galenagazette.com/classifieds
- telegraphherald.com/classifieds
- facebook.com/flash-newspaper

Top 5 Employers

Jo Daviess County has a variety of industries in which to work. By sector, major employers include:

- Banking: Apple River State Bank/First Community Bank and Illinois Bank and Trust
- Manufacturing/Utilities: Brewster Cheese, East Dubuque Nitrogen Fertilizers, and Jo Carroll Energy
- Health/Human Services: Midwest Medical Center, Prairie Ridge of Galena
- Education: Galena Public Schools, East Dubuque Public Schools
- Government: Jo Daviess County, City of Galena
- Recreation: Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa, Chestnut Mountain Resort

For more information on employment opportunities in your location, please refer to the local chamber of commerce.

Chamber of Commerce/Business Associations

Elizabeth Chamber
elizabeth.chamber@yahoo.com | elizabeth-il.org

East Dubuque Greater Events
(EDGE) Foundation | edge-foundation.org

Galena Chamber
815-777-9050 | galenachamber.com

Galena Downtown Business Association
Facebook: [@GalenaDowntown](https://www.facebook.com/GalenaDowntown)

Hanover Chamber
hanover-il.com

Scales Mound Chamber
Facebook: [@ScalesMoundChamber](https://www.facebook.com/@ScalesMoundChamber)

Stockton Chamber
Facebook: [@StocktonChamber](https://www.facebook.com/@StocktonChamber)

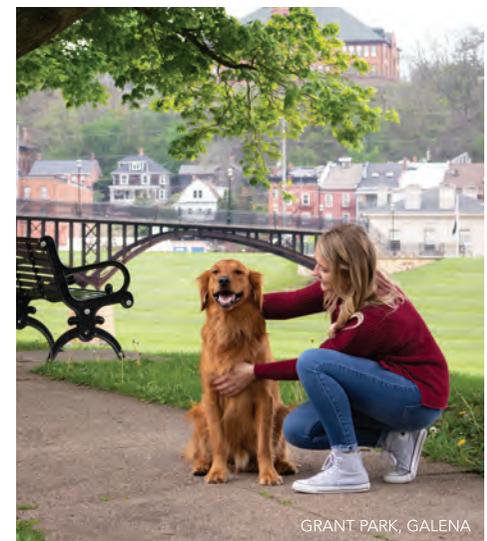
Warren Chamber
815-745-3390
Facebook: [@WarrenChamberOfCommerce](https://www.facebook.com/@WarrenChamberOfCommerce)

Northwest Illinois Economic Development
elegel@nwiled.org | nwiled.org

Galena Country Tourism
admin@visitgalena.org | visitgalena.org



MAIN STREET, GALENA



GRANT PARK, GALENA

Learn Here

Primary & Secondary Education: Pre-K-12 | Continued Education & Technical Schools

“My husband and I have resided in East Dubuque for 12 years. We like the small-town atmosphere and love the beauty of this area. We are educators and involved with the community. I am a City Council Alderman, and he is on the Dunleith Park Board.” - Robin Pearson



Public Schools

Galena Unit School District #120

1206 N. Franklin St., Galena
815-777-3086 | Gusd120.k12.il.us

River Ridge Community School District

4141 Rt. 84 South, Hanover;
815-858-9005 | riverridge210.org

Stockton Community School District

540 N. Rush Street, Stockton
815-947-3391 | stocktonschools.com

East Dubuque Unit School District #119

100 School Road, East Dubuque
815-747-2111 | Gusd120.k12.il.us

Warren Community School District

311 S. Water Street, Warren
815-745-2641 | 205warren.net

Scales Mound School District

210 Main Street, Scales Mound
815-845-2215 | scalesmound.net

Jo Daviess Carroll Career Technical Education Academy (CTE Academy)

950 US Highway 20 West, Elizabeth
815-858-2203 | cteacademy.net

Pre-Schools

Family T.I.E.S. Preschool

Galena Primary School
219 Kelly Lane, Galena
815-777-2200

Galena ARC

11084 US Highway 20 West, Galena
815-777-2248 | GalenaArc.org

Little Learners' Preschool at St. Matthew Lutheran Church

127 S. High St., Galena
563-599-0460 | Galenapreschool.com

Little Learners Academy at Jo Daviess Carroll CTE Academy

950 US Highway 20 West, Elizabeth
815-858-2203 | Cteacademy.net/domain/67

East Dubuque Child Care Center (& NICAA Head Start

701 Route IL 35 N, East Dubuque
815-757-4198 | 815-235-3740 (NICAA)

Sunny Day Preschool

107 W. Jefferson Street, Warren
815-745-2862

Homeschooling in Illinois

Homeschool in Jo Daviess County
123homeschool4me.com/homeschooling-in-illinois-getting_31

Higher Education

Within the Tri-State area, there are many accredited higher education institutions to earn a degree, further career development, or provide continuing adult education opportunities.

Iowa (approximately 20 minutes)

Clarke University

1550 Clarke Drive
Dubuque, IA
888-825-2753 | clarke.edu

Loras College

1450 Alta Vista Street
Dubuque, IA
800-245-6727 | loras.edu

Emmaus Bible College

2570 Asbury Road
Dubuque, IA
800-397-2425 | emmaus.edu

University of Dubuque

2000 University Avenue
Dubuque, IA
563-589-3000 | dbq.edu

Wisconsin (approximately 30 minutes)

University of Wisconsin-Platteville

1 University Plaza, Platteville, WI
800-362-5515 | uwplatt.edu

Community Colleges and Technical Schools

Highland Community College

2998 W. Pearl City Road, Freeport, IL
815-235-6121 | highland.edu

Northeast Iowa Community College

8342 NICC Drive, Peosta, IA
800-728-7367 | nicc.edu

Southwest Wisconsin Technical College

1800 Bronson Boulevard, Fennimore, WI
800-362-3322 | swtc.edu

Health and Human Services

Stockton is home: small-town feels, gorgeous scenery, thriving businesses, unique dining experiences, and family-fun that feeds the soul. We're thankful for the opportunities we have living here and local leaders/volunteers who impact our tomorrows. - Sam & Brooke Van Huizen



Hospitals

Midwest Medical Center
1 Medical Center Dr., Dubuque IA
815-777-1340 | midwestmedicalcenter.org

MercyOne Dubuque
250 Mercy Drive, Dubuque, IA
563-589-8000 | mercyone.org

UnityPoint Health/Finley Hospital
350 N. Grandview Ave., Dubuque, IA
563-582-1881 | unitypoint.org/dubuque

Behavioral Health Treatment - Substance Abuse & Mental Health

Galena Clinic, 939 Galena Square Dr., Galena IL
815-777-1300 | galenaclinic.com



Domestic Violence & Sexual Abuse Counseling

11358 Industrial Dr., Suite 2
705 S. Dodge St., Galena
815-777-8043 | riverviewcenter.org

Tyler's Justice Center for Children
400 W. Front Ave., Stockton
815-947-6030 | tylersjusticecenter.org

Contact of Northern Illinois
888.463.6260 | nicontact.org

Human Services

The Hope Foundation
815-238-2636 | hopefoundationjdc.org
**Human Services Resources & Grants*

Jo Daviess County Housing Authority
347 Franklin St., Galena
815-777-0782 | jdcha.org

The Workshop
706 West St., Galena
815-777-2211 | theworkshopgalena.org
**Vocational Rehabilitation services to individuals w/ developmental disabilities.*

Rainbow Ridge - Kreider Services
521 S. West St., Galena
815-777-9525 | kreiderservices.org
**Living residence for individuals w/ intellectual and developmental disabilities.*



MIDWEST MEDICAL CENTER, GALENA

Northwest Academy (&
Special Education Cooperative
310 N. West St., Elizabeth
815-599-1947 | northwestcoop.com
**Day treatment program for qualifying students w/ emotional and behavior issues. Social work, school psychology, occupational & physical therapy, vision & hearing services, behavior consultation, and vocational transition services.*

United Churches of Galena Food Pantry
- IL Bank & Trust Lower Level
219 Summit St., Galena | 815-777-1456
**Open the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month from 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.*

Getting Here

It is beautiful, peaceful, and safe. It has great schools and great people. A sense of togetherness and belonging. It is a great place to live and raise a family or to retire. - Michael Dittmar, Village President of Elizabeth, Teacher at River Ridge High School, and Co-owner of Dittmar Farms



CENTRALLY LOCATED

Galena may feel like a completely different world than the major Midwest metros, but it isn't a world away.



DRIVING DISTANCE

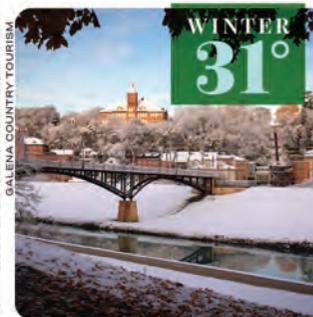
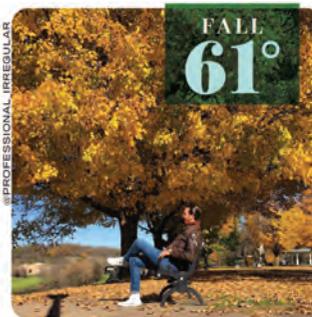


DUBUQUE REGIONAL AIRPORT (DBQ), DUBUQUE, IOWA

The Route: A scenic 30-minute drive west across the Mississippi River, along US Highway 20 will lead you to the Dubuque Regional Airport.

O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ORD), CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The Route: Only a two-and-a-half hour drive east towards Chicago will lead you to the O'Hare International Airport.



SEASONAL TEMPERATURES TIMING YOUR TRIP

From sunny rides down bike trails to cozy autumn afternoons in wine-tasting rooms to winter's beauty, Galena Country offers something special in every season. Be sure to invite friends and family on your adventures!



Scenic Routes in Jo Daviess County

- U.S. Highway 20 - 17 miles between Galena and East Dubuque
- Blackjack Road - 16 miles, between Galena and Hanover
- Derinda Road to Massbach Road - 11-mile stretch in Hanover
- Elizabeth Scales Mound Road - 14 miles between Scales Mound and Elizabeth
- Council Hill Road - 10 miles, between Galena and Council Hill
- Stagecoach Trail - 26 miles, between Galena and Warren
- Irish Hollow Road - 9 miles, between Galena's southern outskirts and Rodden Road

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Jo Daviess County Map

For a full list of attraction locations, please see the online [Visitor's Guide at VisitGalena.org](http://VisitGalena.org)

