

LAKE FOREST

North Shore Suburbs



Population	20,059
Avg. Home Value	\$1,378,112
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Lake Forest, an upscale, family-centered community, is located 31 miles north of the Loop. Known for its winding, tree-lined streets and distinctive and stately homes, it has some of the best schools in Illinois. The Lake Forest Open Lands Association manages more than 200 acres of open space. The community has been recognized with several Tree City U.S.A awards.

Retail shopping includes a mix of small shops, family-owned businesses and larger stores. The famed Market Square, built in 1916, was the first planned shopping mall in the country. The square, which still retains a nostalgic turn-of-the-century ambiance, serves as the site for event such as the Deer Path Art League's annual Fall Festival of Art, Lake Forest Day Parade, and the annual tree lighting ceremony.

Housing: Homes in Lake Forest are generally custom built and feature large lot sizes. Traditional styles include: Colonials, Tudors, Victorians, and ranches. Prices started at \$425,500 and climbed to 12 million in 2006. The median single family home price in 2006 was \$1,378,112.

Schools: Lake Forest's public elementary students attend district 67, which has three kindergarten-through 4th-grade schools, a middle school and one junior high. Lake Forest High School district 115 has undergone substantial improvements, including a new academic wing with 21 teaching classrooms, six science laboratory classrooms and four science prep rooms, new choral and band rooms and a 140-seat multipurpose studio theater. Lake Forest Country Day School, St. Mary's, Woodlands Academy and Lake Forest Academy are all private schools located in the area.

Transportation: The Tri-state Tollway (I-94) borders Lake Forest on the west; Skokie Highway (U.S. 41) and Waukegan Road (I-43) both run within city limits. Drive time to the Loop is an hour. O'Hare Airport is 30-45 minutes away, while Midway Airport is an hour drive. Milwaukee Road rail commuters can reach the Loop in 44 minutes express, 63 on the local. The Metra reaches the Loop in 50 minutes express, one hour local.