



Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Goodwin Memorial Baptist Church (“GMBC”) is located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania which is the capital city in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Harrisburg is located in the central part of Pennsylvania, with a rich history that spans more than 200 years.

The county seat is Dauphin County. With a population of 50,099, Harrisburg is the 9th most populous city in the Commonwealth. According to 2020 statistics provided by the Census Bureau, the population is 51.5% Black or African American, 34.8% White, 4.6% Asian, and 0.5% Native American while 4.1% identify as two or more races.

Harrisburg, PA, Quick Stats

Metro Population	571,013	Median Home Price	\$265,150	Median Monthly Rent	\$956
Median Age	40.4 years old	Average Annual Salary	\$50,450	Unemployment Rate	7.7%
Average Commute	23.1 minutes	Average High Temps	62.53° F	Average Low Temps	43.72° F
Average Rainfall	40.92 inches				

Dauphin County is 525 square miles and 40 municipalities, including 23 townships and 16 boroughs. There are 8 neighboring counties. Of these townships and boroughs, the congregants of GMBC reside in in the City of Harrisburg, Lower Paxton Township, and Susquehanna Township.

Dauphin County lies on the east bank of the Susquehanna River, 107 miles west of Philadelphia. Harrisburg is one of two anchor cities of the Harrisburg–Carlisle metropolitan statistical area, which had a 2020 population of 591,712, making it the

fourth most populous metropolitan area in Pennsylvania and 98th most populous in the United States. It is the largest city of the Harrisburg–York–Lebanon, PA Combined Statistical Area, also known as the Lower Susquehanna Valley region.

GMBC location is central to several school districts including:

- Harrisburg City School District
- Central Dauphin School District
- Lower Paxton School District
- Susquehanna Township School District
- Lower Dauphin School District – Hummelstown
- Derry Township School District – Hershey
- East Pennsboro Area School District – Enola
- West Shore School District – municipalities of Lemoyne, New Cumberland and Wormleysburg boroughs and Lower Allen Township in Cumberland County
- Mechanicsburg School District – Cumberland County
- Camp Hill School District – Cumberland County

The metropolitan area is home to several colleges and universities including:

- Penn State Harrisburg
- Harrisburg University of Science and Technology
- Messiah University
- Central Penn College
- Harrisburg Area Community College
- Dickinson College
- Elizabethtown College
- Penn State College of Medicine
- Widener University Commonwealth Law School
- Penn State Dickinson Law School

The metropolitan area is home to the following health care systems:

- UPMC Harrisburg
- UPMC Community Osteopathic
- UPMC West Shore
- UPMC Carlisle
- Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
- Penn State Health Children's Hospital

- Penn State Health Holy Spirit Medical Center

As of 2021, the top 20 employers in Dauphin County:

1. State Government
2. Milton S Hershey Medical Center
3. The Hershey Company
4. Hershey Entertainment & Resorts Company
5. UPMC Hospitals
6. Federal Government
7. Pennsylvania State University
8. Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA)
9. United Parcel Service Inc
10. TE Connectivity Corporation
11. Penn State Health
12. AtWork
13. Dauphin County
14. Milton Hershey School
15. Giant Food Stores LLC
16. Central Dauphin School District
17. Exel Inc.
18. Harrisburg Area Community College
19. MI Windows and Doors Inc
20. Capital Blue Cross