

# City of Westminster Media Fact Sheet



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## The History of Westminster:

Westminster was established in 1874 upon completion of the Atlanta - Richmond Railway. The community was known as Westminster as early as 1836 when records show that there was a Westminster School. Along with the railroad, a post office was established in June of 1874. The city was officially chartered on March 17, 1875.

The Retreat Rosenwald School and [Southern Railway Passenger Station](#) are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The South Carolina Apple Festival is celebrated in Westminster annually on Labor Day Weekend.

## All About Location:

The City of Westminster, South Carolina is located in southwestern [Oconee County](#), twelve miles from the Georgia - South Carolina border and is nestled in the foothills of the [Blue Ridge Mountains](#).

The residents of Westminster enjoy a high quality of life which is reflected in lower cost of living standards, affordable home prices, and proximity to many of the recreational amenities many people desire—such as the Appalachian Mountains and [Lake Hartwell](#), [Jocassee](#), and [Keowee](#).

## Westminster City Government:

Westminster City Council meets on the second Tuesdays of most months at 6:00 P.M. at the Westminster Fire Department Training Room located at 216 Emergency Lane.

Westminster has six [City Council Members](#) in addition to the Mayor: Rusty Cater, Danny Duncan, Yousef Mefleh, Reid Adams, Jimmy Powell and Brad Chastain. The Mayor of Westminster is Bryan Ramey.

## Doing Business in Our City:

In Westminster, companies enjoy low costs and generous incentive programs, along with centrally-located sites and a healthy supply of available employees. A recent Restaurant Market Potential study showed that 29,842 people live within 15 minutes of downtown.

Showcasing a healthy retail environment, a recent Retail Marketplace Profile indicated there is significant potential for growth in appliances, health and personal care, clothing, sporting goods, and general merchandise.

## The Great Outdoors:

Westminster is surrounded by several rivers, 150 waterfalls, and two major lakes.

The City is located just inside of the [Chau Ram County Park](#). The 80-acre park has a 40-foot waterfall and a 160 foot suspension bridge spanning the [Chauga River](#). We are centrally located to some of the in the US and provide recreational opportunities like white water rafting, hiking, kayaking zip lining, and fly fishing.

April - October, the town has "Music on Main" where Main Street is blocked off and a stage is set up for live music.

## Important Phone Numbers:

City Administrative Offices: 864-647-3200

City Clerk: 864-647-3202

City Police Department: 864-647-3222

City Fire Department – 864-647-3206

City Utilities Department – 864-647-3200

City Business Licenses – 864-647-3200

Online Bill Payments:

<https://westminster.qpaybill.com/Start.aspx>

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