

Welcome to Harrison, New York

This diversified community has a population that includes a multitude of nationalities. In addition to magnificent homes, situated on sprawling acreage, Harrison has vibrant downtown neighborhoods with their own history and character. More than 28,000 residents enjoy living in an area convenient to shopping, restaurants, recreation, entertainment, public transportation and more. The boundaries of the town of Harrison are the approximate shape of a figure-eight. The southern half is known as simply Harrison, or downtown, while the hamlet of Purchase is located in the northern portion of the town. "West Harrison" is a neighborhood south of Purchase, further west, bounded by Silver Lake, the Brae Burn Golf Course, and I-287. The "downtown" southern half of Harrison is divided into four general areas: The Brentwood, Sunnyside, Sterling Ridge/The Trails, and South Downtown. Several world headquarters including PepsiCo, Morgan Stanley, MasterCard, and the World Tennis Federation are also headquartered in the community.

History

The land on which Harrison is built was Native American land, owned by the Siwanoy Tribe. In 1695 John Harrison approached the Native Americans to buy the land. According to local legend, they gave him 24 hours to ride his horse around an area which would then become his. That area became known as "Harrison's Purchase".

John Harrison soon sold the land to the Quakers who built their first Meeting House in Purchase in 1724. Early Harrison construction was done using slave labor, but the Quakers believed slavery wasn't Christian, and the slaves were freed in Harrison between 1773 and 1783.

They were then given land by a Quaker, for farms in the Stony Hill area in West Harrison. While the original Quaker Meeting House was destroyed by fire, Quakers still meet today in a building on the original site near Westchester Airport.

AREA OF CITY
17.4 Square Miles

POPULATION
28,000

AIRPORTS

Westchester County HPN. White Plains, NY (0 miles)

La Guardia LGA. Flushing, NY (22 miles)

Teterboro TEB. Teterboro, NJ (24 miles)

New York Kennedy JFK. NY (30 miles)

LIBRARY

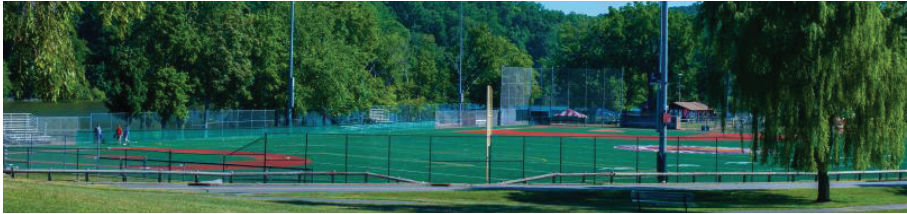
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harrisonpl.org

GOVERNMENT

A five member Town/Village Board, comprised of the Supervisor/Mayor and four Councilmen/Trustees elected at large, is the governing body of the Town/Village. It is responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of it's residents. harrison-ny.gov

Recreational Facilities

Harrison also has a dynamic recreation department that offers year round in-door and out-door programs for children and adults. Harrison has eight parks and five recreation centers featuring swimming pools, tennis, paddle tennis, pedal-boating and fishing. It also features many softball fields, jogging and exercise trails. League sports include baseball, basketball, soccer, volleyball and hockey. Harrison offers summer programs for pre-school and elementary school children in addition to its four-day camps. The annual, "It's Great to Live in Harrison/Columbus Day" celebration draws thousands of residents and visitors. Marching bands and community organizations parade down Main Street and an old fashioned fiesta, with live entertainment, games, raffles, and food vendors, is enjoyed by many. There are 9 Country Clubs for the golf enthusiast.
www.harrison-ny.gov



Education

Within Harrison town you will find schools with exceptional, nationally recognized, programs. There are four public "neighborhood" elementary schools, a middle school and a high school. The vast majority of students go on to higher education at four year colleges and universities. The high school offers, in addition to college preparatory, courses in business, as well as an unusually comprehensive program in industrial arts. Harrison High School recently became an International Baccalaureate (IB) School. Junior and senior students can elect to participate in the program to obtain an IB diploma. The diploma is recognized internationally as a standard of rigor. Harrison has three parochial elementary schools: St. Gregory the Great and St. Anthony's and the School of the Holy Child, an independent Catholic school for girls. In addition, there is Keio Academy, a high school affiliated with Keio University in Tokyo. Harrison is the home of the State University of New York (SUNY) and Manhattanville College.
<http://www.harrisoncsd.org/>

Cafes & Restaurants

- Piero's
914.937.2904
- 273 Kitchen
914.732.3333
- Emilio
914.835.3100
- Trattoria Vivolo 914.835.6199
- Uncle Henry's
914.835.0804
- Gus's Restaurant
914.835.9804
- The Craftsman Ale House
914.630.7484
- Halstead Avenue Taqueria
914.341.1283
- Rattlesnake Jack's
914.341.1187
- Pizza 2000
914.835.8000
- Aquario
914.287.0220
- Trattoria 632
914.287.0220

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Harrison Village Hall
914.670.3030

Police Department
914.967.5111

Fire Department
914.835.9871

Library
914.835.0324

Harrison Avenue Elementary
914.630.3192

Louis Klein Middle School
914.630.3033

Harrison High School
914.630.3094

Harrison Presbyterian
Pre-School
914.835.0055

Harrison Children's Center Inc.
914.835.4271

St. Gregory the Great Early Child-
hood Center
914.835.1278

Webster Avenue
Nursery School
914.835.4504

JCC of Harrison
914.835.2850