

LAKE LURE COMMUNITY PROFILE

Community Description

The Town of Lake Lure is a full-service community and provides the complete range of traditional municipal functions. These include police and fire protection, water and sewer service, solid waste and recycling collection, planning and zoning services, and recreational opportunities. The Town of Lake Lure was incorporated in 1927 and operates under the council-manager form of government. The original town charter was revised in 1987 upon ratification by the North Carolina General Assembly and currently defines the governing body. The Town of Lake Lure offers quite a few extras, too. The Town has 27 miles of lake shore line, a beach area, marina, municipal golf course, community center, and visitor center.

Form of Town Government

The governing body of the Town of Lake Lure is the Board of Commissioners, also known as the Town Council. It has four members and the Mayor. Members of the Town Council are elected to four-year staggered terms with two members elected in each odd-numbered year. The Mayor is elected with a two-year term and presides at Town Council meetings. A Mayor pro-tem is selected by the Council and presides in the Mayor's absence. The Mayor can vote on matters before the Town Council only when there are equal numbers of votes in the affirmative and in the negative - also called a split vote. The Town Council passes Ordinances, adopts the annual budget, hires the Town Manager and appoints citizens to numerous boards, commissions and committees to assist with the work of governing the Town. The Town Manager attends all meetings of the Town Council with the right to take part in discussions, but without the right to vote, and carries the responsibility for making recommendations to the Town Council as he or she deems necessary for the benefit of the public.

Demographic Information

(Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010; Geographic Area: Town of Lake Lure)

Population		Population Growth 2000-2010	
Lake Lure	1,092	Lake Lure	6%
Rutherford County	67,810	Rutherford County	8%
Male	49%	Average Household Size	1.97
Female	51%	Average Family Size	2.63
Ages 15-24	5.3%	Total Housing Units	2211
Ages 62 and over	56.4%	Median Value of Home	\$191,300
Median Household Income	\$59,400	Seasonal Housing Units	1,361
		Owner Occupied Units	606