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Your Moving to Milwaukee, WI Guide

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Hello, I'm Abigail Jaqua, a top-producing second-generation realtor born and raised in the Milwaukee area. My deep-rooted knowledge of the region, combined with my expanding Instagram presence, has allowed me to assist numerous out-of-state buyers, as well as local clients looking to move to or within the metro-Milwaukee area. This guide is designed to accompany you throughout the moving process, addressing all frequently asked questions and helping you determine the best part of Milwaukee for you and your family. Please reach out via email or schedule a call through my Calendly so I can give your questions designated time for answers.

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Let's Get YOU Moved to Milwaukee, WI!

Milwaukee, WI is a city that truly has something for everyone. From its rich history, vibrant arts scene, and abundance of outdoor activities, there's never a dull moment in this dynamic city. As you plan to move to your new home, I'm confident that you'll quickly fall in love with all that Milwaukee has to offer.

As your real estate agent, I am here to guide you through the process of finding your perfect home in Milwaukee, WI. I have the expertise and local knowledge to help you navigate the Milwaukee real estate market with ease and confidence.



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Steps to Moving to Milwaukee, WI:

1. Contact Me

The initial step is to contact me, your Realtor! If we've been chatting via direct messages, we likely already know each other. If we haven't yet connected, you can reach me at **abigailjaqua@kw.com**, **414.870.2656**, or schedule a free consultation through my Calendly link available in my Instagram bio. Don't hesitate to reach out to discuss your needs and begin the process.

2. Get Pre-Approved

The next step involves contacting a lender to determine your pre-approval status and understanding your prospective monthly payment. I can provide recommendations for several exceptional lenders upon request. Once you are pre-approved, we can proceed with viewing properties. Please note, I require full pre-approval from a lender before showing homes. For cash buyers, a bank letter confirming sufficient funds will be necessary.

3. Showing Houses

The process for property viewings may differ if you are an out-of-state buyer. Typically, my out-of-state clients rely on video showings and often purchase homes without an in-person visit. If you plan to visit Milwaukee, WI, to view properties in person, we will schedule showings once you arrive in town. Please note that I do not schedule showings until 48 hours prior to your arrival. I recommend viewing a maximum of 4-6 properties per day and no more than 4-8 properties in total to avoid becoming overwhelmed. As I preview properties daily, I can offer insights on which homes may not meet your preferences and the reasons why, should you wish to leverage my expertise.

For local clients, I aim to schedule showings within 12-48 hours, as the market moves quite quickly. This ensures you have the best opportunity to view and make decisions on properties promptly.

The Steps to Making Milwaukee, WI Home:

4. Going Under Contract

Once we find the perfect home for you, we will write an offer. When the sellers agree to the terms, we will go under contract. This means, unless something unexpected occurs, you will be moving into your new home within 30 days or less! At this point, I strongly recommend ceasing your search for other homes on the market.

5. Inspections

In Milwaukee, WI, I always advise my clients to conduct a home inspection. My assistant will email you with my recommended inspectors and the deadlines for completing the inspections. You will work closely with my assistant from going under contract to closing. She's incredibly detail-oriented and will ensure everything runs smoothly.

6. Closing Day

This is everyone's favorite day! You close on your new home and officially become homeowners in Milwaukee, WI. Congratulations!



Lifestyle of Milwaukee



Living in Milwaukee

Milwaukee, WI is known for its vibrant arts scene, historic neighborhoods, and beautiful lakefront. The city has a variety of neighborhoods, each with its own unique charm and character. Whether you are looking for a bustling urban environment or a quiet suburban feel, Milwaukee has it all.



Schools

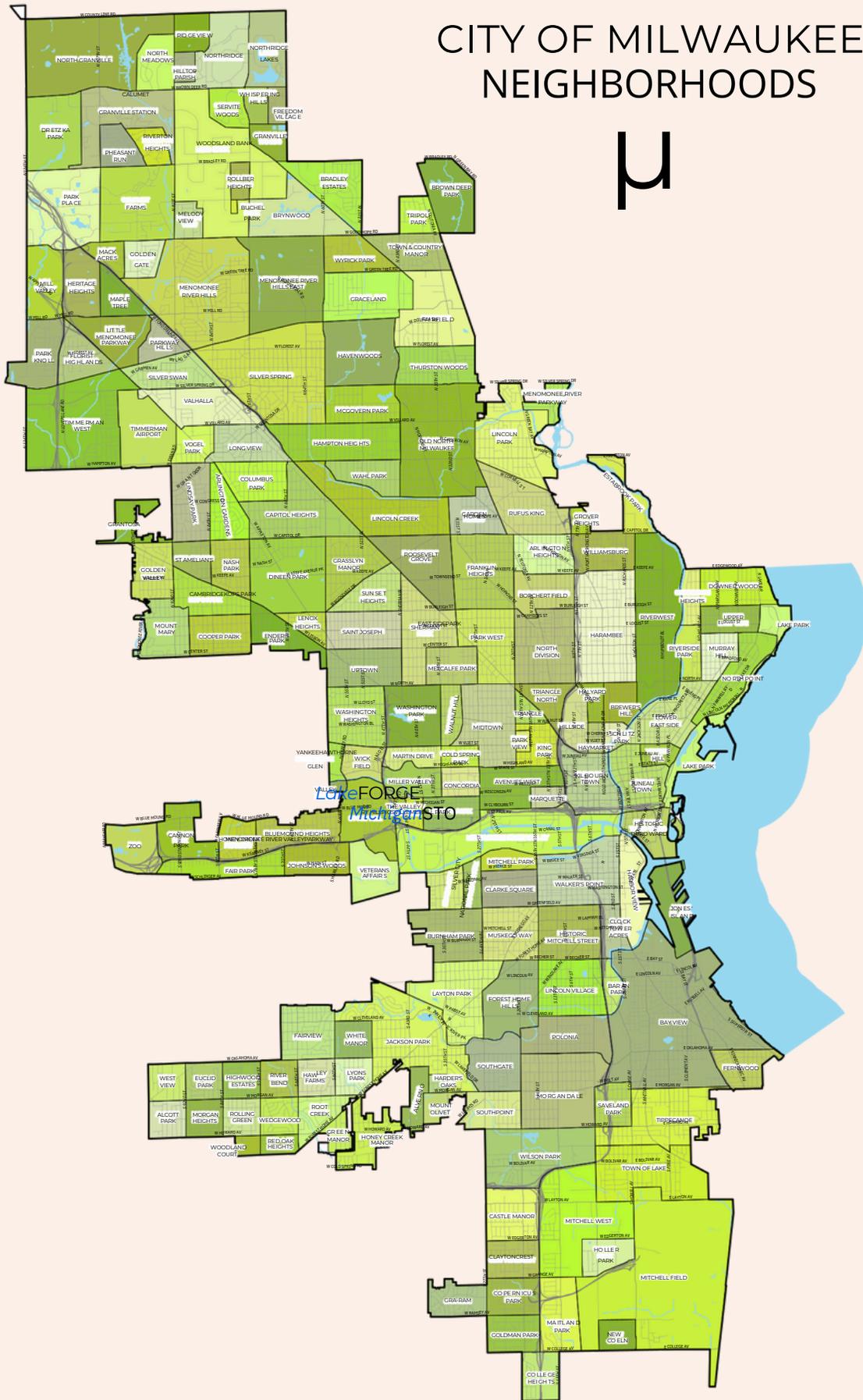
For families residing within the city of Milwaukee, educational institutions fall under the jurisdiction of Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS). Each school offers distinct characteristics and is influenced by its specific location within the city. Milwaukee provides a diverse array of educational options, including Montessori schools, the University School of Milwaukee, Brookfield Academy, and many others. It is advisable to conduct thorough research to determine the most suitable choice for your family. However, I am available to provide local insights and recommendations. Below, I have included Niche's school ratings for various suburbs.



Milwaukee Neighborhoods

As illustrated in the attached map, Milwaukee comprises a diverse array of neighborhoods, each with its own distinctive character. Should you seek a particular atmosphere or lifestyle, please feel free to contact me; I would be delighted to assist you in finding the perfect match. To keep this brief, here are a few neighborhoods where I have recently facilitated property sales:

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Milwaukee County:

A vibrant and diverse urban county that captures the spirit of the American Midwest. It embraces cultural festivals, delectable culinary experiences, and a flourishing arts scene. This county stands as the cultural, economic, and political hub of the state.

255,881 Average Price Point



Ozaukee County:

A tranquil, picturesque area with a rich history, natural beauty, and a strong sense of community. The county offers a peaceful escape from the hustle and bustle of urban life while providing all the essential amenities for its residents and visitors to enjoy a high quality of life in a scenic and friendly environment. \$534,156 Average Price Point



Washington County:

A captivating blend of rural tranquility, historical charm, and educational excellence. The county provides a warm and welcoming community, offering a high quality of life for its residents while preserving the natural beauty that defines the region.

\$392,793 Average Price Point



Waukesha County

Home to pristine lakes, parklands, and golf courses, the county offers recreational opportunities like hiking and water activities. It is a sought-after residential destination with a quality of life that combines suburban comforts with a touch of rural serenity.

\$479,105 Average Price Point

Southern Neighborhoods



Bay View:

Bay View is a vibrant and eclectic neighborhood in Milwaukee, renowned for its hip and trendy atmosphere. It has become a favored destination for young professionals, families, and creative individuals drawn to its unique blend of urban and community-oriented living. The area is characterized by a diverse array of local shops, independent restaurants, and lively bars, offering residents a rich tapestry of cultural and social experiences.

One of Bay View's notable features is its proximity to the lakefront, which provides beautiful parks and outdoor spaces for recreation and relaxation. Humboldt Park and South Shore Park are local favorites, offering amenities such as trails, picnic areas, and seasonal events that foster a strong sense of community. The Bay View Dog Park is a popular spot for pet owners, providing a friendly space for dogs to play and socialize.

Bay View has experienced significant growth and development in recent years. The neighborhood offers a mix of historic homes with unique architectural styles, as well as modern apartments and condominiums. The housing market in Bay View is competitive, with properties often selling quickly due to high demand. Home values have been on the rise, reflecting the neighborhood's growing popularity and desirability.

Whether you are looking for a cozy single-family home or a contemporary apartment with lake views, Bay View provides a range of options to suit various lifestyles and preferences. The neighborhood's thriving real estate market makes it a smart choice for both new homeowners and investors seeking a dynamic and evolving community.

Tippecanoe/Town of Lake:

Tippecanoe/Town of Lake is a serene and historic neighborhood on Milwaukee's south side, known for its tranquil, suburban charm and close-knit community. It features tree-lined streets, well-maintained parks like Tippecanoe Park and Saveland Park, and a variety of local shops and cafes. The neighborhood's proximity to the trendy Bay View area has increased its desirability, offering easy access to Bay View's vibrant amenities and nightlife.

The real estate market here includes a mix of single-family and two-family residences, providing diverse options that maintain a balance of affordability and steady value growth. This makes Tippecanoe/Town of Lake a compelling choice for families, first-time homebuyers, and those seeking a peaceful, yet conveniently located community.

Closest proximity to downtown:

Juneau Town:

Centrally located, Juneau Town is primarily a condo market, offering urban living with high-rise buildings and modern amenities. It's ideal for professionals and those seeking a city lifestyle.

Riverwest:

Known for its artistic and eclectic atmosphere, Riverwest is home to numerous art galleries, music venues, and locally-owned shops. The real estate market here is diverse, with a mix of single-family homes, duplexes, and apartments, attracting a creative and community-oriented crowd. ****Dog Park:**** Roverwest Dog Park.

Northpoint / Lake Park:

Nestled along Milwaukee's lakefront, Northpoint / Lake Park is a prestigious neighborhood known for its luxurious homes and condos, offering residents a blend of elegance and natural beauty. The area is renowned for its stunning views of Lake Michigan and proximity to Lake Park, a historic urban oasis designed by Frederick Law Olmsted.

The real estate market in Northpoint / Lake Park features a mix of opulent single-family homes and luxurious condominiums. These residences often boast architectural splendor and modern amenities, catering to those seeking upscale living in a serene and picturesque environment. Many properties in this area enjoy panoramic views of the lake and access to private gardens or courtyards, enhancing the residential experience.

In addition to its upscale residences, Northpoint / Lake Park offers an array of recreational activities and cultural attractions. Lake Park itself spans over 138 acres and includes walking trails, scenic overlooks, and a golf course. Residents can enjoy picnics by the lake, attend outdoor concerts at the Lake Park Summer Stage, or explore the park's historic landmarks, such as the North Point Lighthouse Museum. The neighborhood's proximity to downtown Milwaukee adds to its appeal, providing easy access to the city's vibrant dining scene, entertainment venues, and cultural institutions like the Milwaukee Art Museum and Discovery World.

Northpoint / Lake Park is an ideal choice for those seeking a high-end residential area with ample green spaces, breathtaking views, and a strong sense of community.

Third Ward:

Reminiscent of New York City's SoHo, the Third Ward is a vibrant neighborhood featuring boutiques, cafes, and art galleries housed in historic warehouses. It's known for the Milwaukee Public Market, which offers an array of fresh and prepared foods. Real estate here mainly comprises upscale lofts and condominiums.

Upper East Side:

Situated near the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM), this neighborhood primarily consists of single-family homes and duplexes. It's popular among students, faculty, and families looking for a residential area with easy access to the university.

Western Neighborhoods



Cannon Park, Honey Creek Parkway, and Bluemound Heights:

These neighborhoods are primarily residential, offering a mix of single-family homes and duplexes, making them attractive to families and individuals seeking a quiet suburban lifestyle. Notable for their close proximity to Wauwatosa, they are only about a 15-minute drive from downtown Milwaukee, providing convenient access to urban amenities while maintaining a serene residential environment. Residents enjoy easy access to local restaurants, coffee shops, and shopping centers, enhancing the neighborhoods' appeal for those who appreciate convenience and community atmosphere.

Washington Heights:

Known for its rich history and architectural charm, Washington Heights is a picturesque neighborhood characterized by its predominantly bungalow-style homes. It offers a mix of single-family homes and duplexes, providing diverse housing options for residents. The neighborhood is admired for its walkability to local coffee shops, restaurants, and boutiques, enhancing its appeal for those who enjoy a vibrant community atmosphere. It's also notable for its close proximity to Wauwatosa, specifically the Highlands, which is Wauwatosa's exclusive neighborhood known for its upscale homes and vibrant community life.

Northwest Neighborhoods

Coopers Park, Enderis Park, Kops Park, Hartung Park, Nash Park:

Located about 15 minutes northwest of downtown Milwaukee, these neighborhoods are known for their affordability and increasing popularity due to their proximity to Wauwatosa and local amenities. Each neighborhood is surrounded by a park, offering ample green space and recreational opportunities. These areas feature primarily single-family homes and duplexes, appealing to diverse lifestyles. Residents enjoy easy access to Mayfair Mall, North Avenue Wauwatosa activities, Hart Park, and major freeways, enhancing convenience and quality of life in these suburban communities.

Suburbs



Western Suburbs

1. Wauwatosa (Milwaukee County)

Known for its charming village area and vibrant community, Wauwatosa is highly desirable for its historic homes, local shops, and diverse dining options. Wauwatosa offers a mix of housing options including single-family homes, multi-family residences, and a few condo options. Residents enjoy proximity to the Menomonee River Parkway, Mayfair Mall, and the Milwaukee County Zoo. Its close-knit neighborhoods and top-rated medical facilities add to its appeal as a suburb just minutes from downtown

Q1 2024 avg home price \$389,305

2. Waukesha (Waukesha County)

With a historic downtown and numerous parks, Waukesha offers a blend of cultural amenities and outdoor recreation. The real estate market features a mix of historic homes and newer developments, appealing to families and professionals. Its community events and local breweries enhance its charm, while easy access to I-94 makes commuting to Milwaukee convenient.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$351,572

3. Pewaukee (Waukesha County)

Nestled around Pewaukee Lake, this suburb is known for its waterfront activities and scenic views. The real estate market includes lakefront properties, condos, and modern developments, attracting all age groups including families, professionals, and retirees seeking a relaxed lakeside lifestyle. Pewaukee's charming downtown offers boutiques and eateries, complementing its recreational opportunities at nearby Pewaukee Lake Park.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$421,375

Milwaukee
Wauwatosa
#12 in Best Places to Live in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 140 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B- Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	A- Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B+ Diversity

Milwaukee
Waukesha
#43 in Best Places to Live in Milwaukee Area
A- Overall Grade • Town in Wisconsin
• ★★★★★ 193 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A- Overall Niche Grade

B Public Schools	C+ Crime & Safety
B Housing	A- Nightlife
A- Good for Families	B+ Diversity

Milwaukee
Pewaukee City
#6 in Best Places to Live in Waukesha County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 40 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	- Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B+ Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B- Diversity

Search Parameters: Property types Single-Family, Two-Family, Condominium; Association of Metro MLS.

4. Sussex (Waukesha County)

Known for its community events and green spaces, Sussex offers a suburban retreat with a strong sense of community. The real estate market features primarily condominiums, appealing to an older crowd mixed with families looking for single-family residences, whether existing or new construction. Residents enjoy proximity to Bugline Trail for biking and hiking, as well as local parks like Sussex Village Park.
Q1 2024 avg home price \$491,523

5. Hartland (Waukesha County)

Located in "Lake Country," Hartland is prized for its charming downtown and access to several lakes, offering abundant recreational opportunities. The real estate market is a mix of single-family homes and condominiums, ranging from affordable options to opulent residences and new construction. Hartland boasts a vibrant community and easy access to the Ice Age Trail for outdoor enthusiasts. It's conveniently located about 30 minutes west of downtown Milwaukee.
Q1 2024 avg home price \$525,640

6. Delafield (Waukesha County)

Nestled in "Lake Country," Delafield is known for its picturesque lakes and historic downtown, offering a blend of natural beauty and small-town charm. The real estate market in Delafield is diverse, comprising condos, single-family homes ranging from affordable to luxurious, and properties ranging from lakefront residences to rural privacy. Residents enjoy boutique shopping, dining at local restaurants, and outdoor activities at Nagawaukee Park and Delafield Fish Hatchery Park. Delafield is conveniently located about 30 minutes west of downtown Milwaukee, making it an attractive suburb for those seeking both tranquility and easy access to urban amenities.
Q1 2024 avg home price \$678,996

7. Oconomowoc (Waukesha County)

Positioned around several lakes, Oconomowoc boasts scenic views and abundant outdoor recreational activities. The real estate market in Oconomowoc is diverse, featuring new construction single-family homes, lakefront properties, rural properties with land, entry-level homes, and an array of condominiums. Oconomowoc's historic downtown offers shops, galleries, and eateries, while its proximity to Oconomowoc Lake enhances its appeal for water enthusiasts looking to enjoy lakefront living and water activities.
Q1 2024 avg home price \$559,342

Sussex
#7 in Best Places to Buy a House in Milwaukee Area
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 25 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A+	Public Schools	—	Crime & Safety
A-	Housing	B	Nightlife
A+	Good for Families	B	Diversity

Milwaukee
Hartland
#26 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Wisconsin
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 29 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A+	Public Schools	B	Crime & Safety
B+	Housing	B+	Nightlife
A	Good for Families	B	Diversity

Milwaukee
Delafield
#25 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Wisconsin
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 45 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A+	Public Schools	B+	Crime & Safety
B	Housing	B	Nightlife
A	Good for Families	B-	Diversity

Milwaukee
Oconomowoc
#17 in Best Places to Retire in Wisconsin
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 84 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A	Public Schools	B+	Crime & Safety
B+	Housing	B+	Nightlife
A	Good for Families	B-	Diversity

8. West Allis (Milwaukee County)

Known for its community events and close proximity to downtown Milwaukee, West Allis offers a mix of suburban living with urban conveniences. The real estate market in West Allis is diverse, featuring a mix of single-family homes, multi-family residences, and condos. Affordable homes and duplexes attract first-time homebuyers and young professionals looking to establish roots in a thriving community. West Allis is also home to many small businesses and a vibrant local economy. My favorites include Station No. 6, Wild Roots, and Lake Effect Coffee Company. The area boasts its own farmers market, adding to its charm and community feel. Residents enjoy amenities such as local parks, the Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, and convenient access to shopping centers.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$245,111

9. Brookfield (Waukesha County)

Renowned for its spacious homes and vibrant commercial districts, Brookfield offers a blend of suburban tranquility and modern amenities. The real estate market in Brookfield is diverse, featuring mostly condos and single-family homes. Homes range from starter homes to new construction and opulent residences in prestigious neighborhoods, catering to affluent families, executives, retirees seeking upscale living options, and so much more. Brookfield's retail hubs, such as Brookfield Square Mall and The Corners of Brookfield, provide abundant shopping and dining opportunities. Its proximity to downtown Milwaukee enhances its appeal for residents seeking urban conveniences while enjoying the serene suburban setting. The area's amenities and community atmosphere make it a popular choice for those looking to settle in a comfortable and well-connected community.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$493,536

10. Elm Grove (Waukesha County)

Known for its scenic parks and strong sense of community, Elm Grove offers a serene residential setting. The village of Elm Grove covers approximately 3.2 square miles and is located just west of Milwaukee, offering a convenient commute to downtown. The real estate market in Elm Grove is predominantly single-family homes and condos, with a mix ranging from entry-level homes to grand estates nestled among lush greenery. Elm Grove's proximity to Underwood Creek Parkway and Watertown Plank Road Park provides ample opportunities for outdoor recreation. The charming village center hosts local events and farmers markets, enhancing the community's appeal for residents seeking a tranquil yet connected lifestyle.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$705,959

Milwaukee
West Allis
#8,655 in Best Places to Live in America
B+ Overall Grade • Town in Wisconsin
• ★★★★★ 126 reviews



Milwaukee
Brookfield
#2 in Best Suburbs to Live in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 127 reviews



Milwaukee
Elm Grove
#1 in Best Suburbs to Live in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 23 reviews



11. New Berlin (Waukesha County)

With abundant parks and community events, New Berlin is a suburb known for its active lifestyle. The real estate market in New Berlin is primarily comprised of single-family homes and condos, including ranch-style homes and newer developments appealing to various demographics. Located southwest of Milwaukee, New Berlin offers convenient access to downtown and surrounding areas. Its recreational amenities at Minooka Park and Malone Park attract outdoor enthusiasts, providing opportunities for hiking, picnicking, and sports. The suburb's proximity to shopping centers and restaurants enhances convenience for residents seeking local dining and retail options.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$447,438

12. Menomonee Falls (Waukesha County)

Known for its parks, community events, and historic downtown area, Menomonee Falls offers a blend of suburban charm and modern conveniences. The real estate market in Menomonee Falls features diverse housing options ranging from starter homes to condos, new construction, and upscale residences, catering to families, empty nesters, and young professionals alike. Residents of Menomonee Falls enjoy access to local parks such as Mill Pond Park and the Menomonee River Parkway, providing opportunities for outdoor activities and relaxation. The suburb is conveniently located near shopping centers including Woodman's and Costco, enhancing convenience for everyday needs. Located northwest of downtown Milwaukee, Menomonee Falls offers easy access to the city for commuters and urban amenities.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$451,460

13. Germantown (Washington County)

With a strong sense of community and suburban amenities, Germantown is known for its family-friendly atmosphere. The area has a rich history, originally settled by German immigrants in the 1840s, contributing to its cultural heritage. The real estate market in Germantown includes single-family homes

and condominiums, appealing to both first-time buyers and established families. Germantown's expansive parks such as Firemen's Park and Kinderberg Park offer abundant recreational activities, from sports fields to walking trails, enhancing the community's appeal. The suburb's proximity to Menomonee Falls and downtown Milwaukee provides residents with easy access to additional shopping, dining, and entertainment options, complementing its suburban charm with urban conveniences.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$440,060

Milwaukee
New Berlin
#21 in Best Places to Buy a House in Milwaukee Area
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 141 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B Nightlife
A Good for Families	B Diversity

Milwaukee
Menomonee Falls
#4 in Best Places to Live in Waukesha County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 52 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B- Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B+ Diversity

Milwaukee
Germantown
#1 in Best Places to Live in Washington County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 45 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B Nightlife
A Good for Families	B Diversity



Search Parameters: Property types Single-Family, Two-Family, Condominium; Association of Metro MLS.

Northern Suburbs

1. Shorewood (Milwaukee County)

Known for its beautiful parks and strong sense of community, Shorewood offers a vibrant suburban lifestyle just north of downtown Milwaukee, approximately 10 minutes away. The real estate market features a diverse mix of charming historic homes, opulent properties located on Lake Drive, multi-unit residences, and condos, appealing to families, young professionals, and retirees.

Shorewood's proximity to Lake Michigan and local amenities, such as shops and restaurants, enhances its desirability. Residents enjoy Atwater Park, which features a beautiful swimmable beach, and the expansive Estabrook Park, which covers 125 acres and includes a popular beer garden and dog park. ****Dog Park:**** Estabrook Park Dog Exercise Area.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$468,976

2. Whitefish Bay (Milwaukee County)

Known for its beautiful parks and strong community spirit, Whitefish Bay offers a welcoming atmosphere just 15 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee. The real estate market features a mix of single-family homes, from charming bungalows to luxurious lakeside estates, multi-family residences, and condos. Residents enjoy local amenities such as boutique shops and restaurants, as well as outdoor activities at Klode Park and Big Bay Park. Additionally, Bayshore Mall is conveniently located nearby, offering a variety of shopping, dining, and entertainment options.

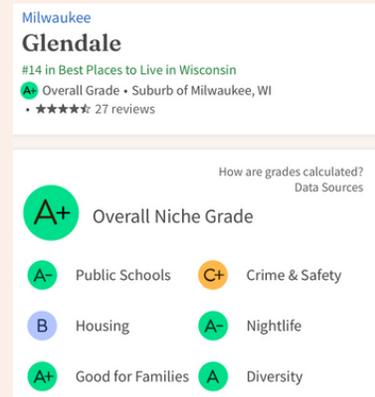
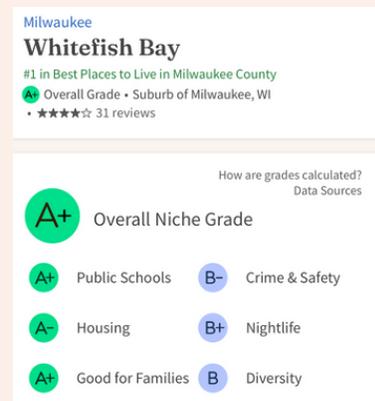
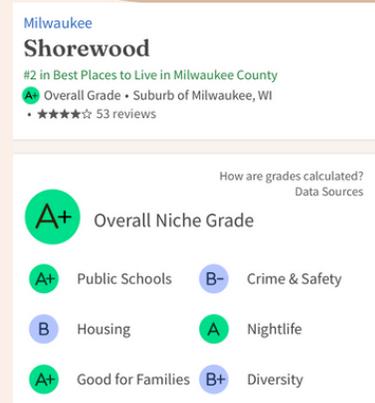
Q1 2024 avg home price \$754,043

3. Glendale (Milwaukee County)

Located about 10 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee, Glendale is known for its parks and shopping centers. Originally part of the Town of Milwaukee, the area was predominantly rural farmland settled by German and Irish immigrants in the 19th century. Glendale was incorporated as a village in 1950 and became a city in 1955, reflecting its rapid growth and development in the post-war era.

The real estate market includes a variety of single-family homes and condos, catering to first-time home buyers, established families, young professionals, and retirees. Residents frequent Bayshore Town Center, originally opened as Bayshore Mall in 1954, for shopping, dining, and entertainment, and enjoy outdoor activities at Kletzsch Park.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$330,001



Search Parameters: Property types Single-Family, Two-Family, Condominium; Association of Metro MLS.

4. Fox Point (Milwaukee County)

Fox Point is a serene and picturesque suburb situated about 15 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee.

Known for its beautiful parks along Lake Michigan, the real estate market in Fox Point features spacious single-family homes, many with lake views, and condos. Many homes in Fox Point have larger lots, providing ample space and privacy. Residents enjoy outdoor activities at Doctors Park and the nearby

Schlitz Audubon Nature Center.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$607,985

Milwaukee
Fox Point
#7 in Best Suburbs to Live in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 12 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B- Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B Diversity

5. River Hills (Milwaukee County)

Located about 20 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee, River Hills is known for its spacious properties and beautiful natural surroundings. The real estate market is characterized by large estates and private homes on expansive lots, providing a sense of privacy and exclusivity. Residents enjoy the natural beauty of the area and have easy access to nearby parks and the Milwaukee River.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$425,000

Milwaukee
River Hills
#4 in Best Suburbs to Raise a Family in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 2 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B+ Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	B Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B Diversity

6. Bayside (Milwaukee County)

Bayside is celebrated for its parks and strong sense of community, located about 20 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee. Covering approximately 2.4 square miles, the real estate market in Bayside includes a mix of single-family homes and condos. Residents have access to beautiful outdoor spaces at Doctors Park and the nearby Schlitz Audubon Nature Center. The community is known for its local events and active neighborhood associations.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$568,36

Milwaukee
Bayside
#6 in Best Suburbs to Live in Wisconsin
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 22 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B Diversity

7. Brown Deer (Milwaukee County)

Brown Deer, located about 20 minutes northwest of downtown Milwaukee, is known for its affordable housing options. The real estate market features a range of housing options, including single-family homes and condos. Residents enjoy outdoor activities at Brown Deer Park and the Oak Leaf Trail, as well as community events at the Brown Deer Village Park.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$244,700

Milwaukee
Brown Deer
#13 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
A- Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 32 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A- Overall Niche Grade

C+ Public Schools	C Crime & Safety
B Housing	B Nightlife
B+ Good for Families	A Diversity

Search Parameters: Property types Single-Family, Two-Family, Condominium; Association of Metro MLS.

8. Mequon (Ozaukee County)

Mequon offers a suburban retreat with modern conveniences, located about 20 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee. Known for its spacious properties and beautiful natural surroundings, the real estate market includes large single-family homes, mid-size homes, condos, and luxurious estates, with many new construction options available. Residents enjoy amenities such as the Mequon Nature Preserve, local parks, and a variety of shopping and dining options at the Mequon Town Center and Mequon Public Market.

****Dog Park:**** Katherine Kearney Carpenter Park.
Q1 2024 avg home price \$769,001

9. Cedarburg (Ozaukee County)

Known for its historic downtown and community events, Cedarburg offers a charming small-town atmosphere. The real estate market features historic homes, modern residences, and condos, appealing to a variety of residents. Cedarburg's vibrant downtown area, with its shops, restaurants, and cultural attractions, enhances its appeal.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$512,284

10. Port Washington (Ozaukee County)

Port Washington is celebrated for its picturesque lakeside views and historic charm. The real estate market includes a mix of single-family homes, condos, and waterfront properties. Residents enjoy a variety of recreational activities, including boating, fishing, and hiking, as well as a lively downtown area with shops and restaurants.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$352,462



Milwaukee
Mequon
#1 in Best Places to Live in Ozaukee County
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 46 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B+ Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B+ Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B- Diversity

Milwaukee
Cedarburg
#3 in Best Places to Live in Ozaukee County
A+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 39 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A+ Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	A- Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	B+ Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B- Diversity

Milwaukee
Port Washington
#4 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Ozaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 21 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	A- Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	B+ Nightlife
A Good for Families	B- Diversity

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Search Parameters: Property types Single-Family, Two-Family, Condominium; Association of Metro MLS.

Southern Suburbs

1. Cudahy (Milwaukee County)

Cudahy is known for its parks and proximity to Lake Michigan, offering a blend of suburban living with easy access to the lakefront. Located about 10 minutes south of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market features a mix of affordable single-family homes, duplexes, and condos. Founded in the late 19th century by industrialist Patrick Cudahy, the city has a rich history rooted in manufacturing and community development. Residents enjoy outdoor activities at Cudahy Park and Grant Park, as well as community events and local eateries.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$245,359

2. St. Francis (Milwaukee County)

St. Francis is a small suburb with a residential atmosphere, known for its parks and close proximity to Lake Michigan. Located about 10 minutes southeast of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market includes a variety of single-family homes and condos, attracting families, retirees, and those seeking community.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$322,919

3. South Milwaukee (Milwaukee County)

South Milwaukee is a diverse suburb featuring parks and vibrant community events. Located about 15 minutes south of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market offers single-family homes, multi-family residences, and condos, appealing to a wide range of residents. Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy Grant Park and the Oak Leaf Trail, while the city's annual events foster a strong sense of community.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$256,150

4. Oak Creek (Milwaukee County)

Oak Creek is a growing suburb known for its parks and active community events. Located about 20 minutes south of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market includes new construction, single-family homes, entry-level homes, and condos, catering to families, professionals, and retirees. Residents benefit from amenities like Drexel Town Square, Lake Vista Park, and Bender Park, providing ample opportunities for shopping, dining, and recreation.

Q1 2024 avg home price \$362,292

Milwaukee
Cudahy
#9,601 in Best Places to Live in America
B Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 50 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

B Overall Niche Grade

C+	Public Schools	C+	Crime & Safety
B-	Housing	A-	Nightlife
B-	Good for Families	B+	Diversity

Milwaukee
St. Francis
#31 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
B+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 24 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

B+ Overall Niche Grade

C+	Public Schools	B-	Crime & Safety
C	Housing	A+	Nightlife
B	Good for Families	B+	Diversity

Milwaukee
South Milwaukee
#25 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
B+ Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 69 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

B+ Overall Niche Grade

B-	Public Schools	C+	Crime & Safety
B-	Housing	A	Nightlife
B	Good for Families	B+	Diversity

Milwaukee
Oak Creek
#10 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 136 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A	Public Schools	B-	Crime & Safety
B	Housing	B+	Nightlife
A	Good for Families	A-	Diversity

5. Greenfield (Milwaukee County)

Greenfield offers a mix of suburban and urban living, located about 15 minutes southwest of downtown Milwaukee. The real estate market features single-family homes, condos, apartments, and multi-family residences, appealing to a diverse population. Residents enjoy outdoor activities at Konkel Park, as well as shopping and dining at nearby Southridge Mall. Q1 2024 avg home price \$272,221

Milwaukee
Greenfield
#12 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 93 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A- Overall Niche Grade

B Public Schools	C+ Crime & Safety
B- Housing	A Nightlife
B+ Good for Families	A- Diversity

6. Hales Corners (Milwaukee County)

Hales Corners is a small suburb, covering about 3.2 square miles, known for its parks and residential areas. Located about 20 minutes southwest of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market includes single-family homes and condos. Residents enjoy the Boerner Botanical Gardens, Whitnall Park, and local events at Hales Corners Park. Q1 2024 avg home price \$342,487

Milwaukee
Hales Corners
#11 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 19 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A- Overall Niche Grade

B+ Public Schools	B Crime & Safety
B- Housing	B+ Nightlife
A- Good for Families	B+ Diversity

7. Franklin (Milwaukee County)

Franklin is known for its parks and growing business district, offering a blend of suburban tranquility and economic opportunities. Located about 20 minutes southwest of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market features a range of housing options, including single-family homes, entry-level homes, spacious homes, condos, and new developments. Residents enjoy activities at the Rock Sports Complex, Root River Parkway, and various community events. Q1 2024 avg home price \$401,694

Milwaukee
Franklin
#9 in Best Places to Raise a Family in Milwaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 108 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B- Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	B Nightlife
A Good for Families	B+ Diversity

8. Greendale (Milwaukee County)

Greendale is a historic suburb known for its unique planned community design, beautiful parks, and vibrant community life. Covering approximately 5.5 square miles and located about 15 minutes southwest of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market includes charming single-family homes, condos, and historic properties. Residents enjoy the village center's shops and restaurants, community events, and outdoor activities at Greendale Community Park. Q1 2024 avg home price \$373,781

Milwaukee
Greendale
#8 in Best Places to Live in Milwaukee County
A Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 50 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B- Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	A- Nightlife
A+ Good for Families	B+ Diversity

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9. Muskego (Waukesha County)

Muskego is known for its lakes, parks, and scenic environment. Located about 25 minutes southwest of downtown Milwaukee, the real estate market features lakefront properties, single-family homes, condos, and new developments, appealing to a variety of residents. Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy Big Muskego Lake, Idle Isle Park, and the Muskego Recreation Trail. Q1 2024 avg home price \$506,232

Grafton (Ozaukee County)

Grafton is a charming city located about 25 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee, known for its vibrant community and picturesque setting along the Milwaukee River. The real estate market in Grafton features a mix of single-family homes, condos, and new developments, appealing to all. Residents enjoy a variety of amenities, including the Paramount Plaza, local shops and restaurants, and outdoor activities at Lime Kiln Park and Veterans Memorial Park. Q1 2024 avg home price \$470,393

Saukville (Ozaukee County)

Saukville is a quaint village covering approximately 3.8 square miles, located about 30 minutes north of downtown Milwaukee. Known for its community and scenic natural surroundings, Saukville is part of the Port Washington-Saukville School District. The real estate market offers a mix of single-family homes, condos, and new developments. Residents enjoy amenities such as Grady Park, Tendick Nature Park, and the Milwaukee River, which provide ample opportunities for outdoor recreation. The village also hosts a variety of community events and has a charming downtown area with local shops and restaurants. Q1 2024 avg home price \$401,241

Milwaukee
Muskego
#14 in Best Places to Buy a House in Milwaukee Area
Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 47 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A+ Public Schools	B+ Crime & Safety
A- Housing	B- Nightlife
A Good for Families	B- Diversity

Milwaukee
Grafton
#4 in Best Places to Live in Ozaukee County
Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 36 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B Crime & Safety
B+ Housing	B+ Nightlife
A Good for Families	B Diversity

Milwaukee
Saukville
#6 in Best Places to Live in Ozaukee County
Overall Grade • Suburb of Milwaukee, WI
• ★★★★★ 6 reviews

How are grades calculated?
Data Sources

A- Overall Niche Grade

A Public Schools	B+ Crime & Safety
B Housing	B+ Nightlife
A- Good for Families	B Diversity

Coming to Visit Milwaukee, WI

You've decided Milwaukee, WI is the area that you want to move to, and now you are booking flights to come find your new home. We need to make sure you have your pre-approval letter or your bank statement if you're paying cash. This part of the guide will be a resource for you on where to stay, eat, shop, and drink. I will also tell you about local attractions and things to do.

Where to Stay:

- The Pfister Hotel
- King Downtown
- Saint Kate
- Kimpton Journeyman
- Trade Hotel

Where to Eat:

Milwaukee has an amazing culinary scene. Here are some of our favorites, ranging from casual to fine-dining:

- Sanford Restaurant
- Odd Duck
- Lakefront Brewery
- Ardent
- Blue's Egg
- Harbor House
- SafeHouse
- Uncle Wolfie's
- Safina
- Rice n Roll
- Story Hill BKC
- Maxie's
- Onesto
- MKE Public Market - Tiki Bar Lobster Roll
- Mex Ave in Crossroads
- Dairyland - 3rd Street Market Hall for Best Cheese Curds
- Mo's Steakhouse
- Carnevor Steakhouse
- Five O'Clock Steakhouse
- Tupelo Honey
- Elsa's on the Park

Where to Shop:

Milwaukee offers a variety of shopping experiences, from local boutiques to large malls:

- Historic Third Ward
- Mayfair Mall
- Milwaukee Public Market
- Bayshore Town Center
- Brookfield Square

Fun Things to Do:

Milwaukee Art Museum
Harley-Davidson Museum
Milwaukee County Zoo
Discovery World
Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (The Domes)
Summerfest (world's largest music festival)
Brewers Game at American Family Field
Exploring the Riverwalk

I hope this free resource is a wealth of knowledge for you as you move to Milwaukee, WI, or surrounding areas.



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Reviews

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“Abigail was amazing throughout the whole process. From our first meeting with her to our closing she ensured every step of the way we were taken care off. She tirelessly combed through listings to send us the best ones that fit within our parameters. Cannot thank her enough for everything she has done for our family and helping us buy a house!” - **Ryan & Elle E.**

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“Abigail was our hero while going through the home buying experience. We were first time home buyers so we did not know much about the process. She always made everything easy for us to understand and we learned so much from her. Abigail was always professional and personable making us feel comfortable throughout our process. We are so happy to be in our home, and we couldn't have done it without her! She is fantastic, we cannot recommend her enough!”
- **Delaney & Luke B.**

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“Our experience with Abigail Jaqua was terrific, from showings, to the offer to purchase, to the closing statement, and beyond. Every detail was taken care of without having to ask. We were able to purchase and close in less than 30 days. Financing, inspections, and appraisal were professionally managed by Abigail. I have no hesitation in strongly recommending her to anyone looking for residential property.”
- **Michael & Betsy G.**

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“Amazing realtor! Personable, responsible, aggressive with prospective buyers. Abigail was 5 steps ahead of the process the whole way. She made us feel very confident in our choice of realtor and I will be recommending her to friends in the MKE area who are looking to buy or sell in the coming years. Thank you so much Abigail! - **Ben & Krista H.**

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“We reached out to Abigail via social media when deciding to pursue purchasing our first home. She met us at a coffee shop and thoroughly walked through the whole process- making it all much clearer and less scary. Abigail always provided valuable market insights and was flexible to accommodate our busy schedules. We are so happy + proud to have purchased our first home and owe a huge appreciation to Abigail for her time, professionalism and positivity throughout” - **Kristin & Kyle T.**

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Abigail was a joy to work with!! She was personable but professional and made what could have been a fairly complicated situation incredibly easy, straightforward and stress-free. She was flexible with my schedule, efficient with my time, and communicated consistently. Abigail was great with my kids and has continued to reach out and make sure we're taken care and brought over a pumpkin pie for thanksgiving. Couldn't have asked for a better realtor! Thanks Abigail! - **Monica O.**



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