

PLEASANT HILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
Troutville, VA 24175  
2020 Community Profile

Botetourt County is an area located outside of a major metropolitan city in southwestern Virginia. The county is an attractive mix of suburban growth and rural beauty, ringed by the Blue Ridge and Allegheny Mountains. Breathtaking scenic vistas can be found in all areas. The county is easily accessed via Interstates 81 and 64, U.S. 220, U.S. 11, and U.S. 460. The county has strong agricultural roots and many families continue to farm. The area offers multiple opportunities for employment, either in county or in nearby Roanoke,

The Church is six miles west of Daleville, a vibrant community where one can find health care (urgent care, doctor facilities, and other non-emergency needs), restaurants, and grocery stores. The Church is 20 minutes northwest of Roanoke, a city of nearly 100,000 people. Formerly known as a railroad town, Roanoke is reinventing itself as a medical hub and now has a teaching hospital and other medical facilities. The area offers museums, a zoo, shopping, and a variety of entertainment such as the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra.

Botetourt County has about 740 employers, with four industrial parks and several major businesses that focus on the automotive industry. Nearby Roanoke also offers many employment opportunities. The median average household income for Botetourt County was \$68,410 in 2018. The county has rental opportunities in either single-family dwellings or in apartment complexes. The median price of a home is about \$225,000.

This safe community is overseen by a five-member Board of Supervisors and an elected Sheriff who has a friendly force of over 100 members to serve the county. The county's budget of nearly \$100 million allows the citizenry to enjoy multiple libraries, parks, and recreation services such as youth sports leagues. Sound fiscal management has allowed the county to maintain low real estate and personal property taxes,

The county supports an excellent school system that ranks 11th out of 132 school districts in Virginia. County residents also have access to several colleges and universities, including Hollins University, Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke College, and Virginia Tech.

Botetourt offers unique outdoor opportunities such as hiking along the Appalachian Trail, cascading falls at Roaring Run, and kayaking on the James River.

It is also the home of Attic Productions, a local community theater, and a strong artists group in the county annually offers an Open Studios event.

Most homes in the southern end of Botetourt County have access to broadband Internet services and the county is actively working to bring this service to all residents, no matter how rural.

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The county's population of 33,400 is 94% Caucasian and 86% of residents own their own homes. The county has a blend of families with children, couples, and seniors. The county has a low divorce rate of 7.9% and 13.5% of county residents are U.S. veterans. Additionally, the county's cost of living averages 6% lower than the national average.

The Church estimates that more than 50% of people living within a 15-minute drive of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church do not attend services regularly or are unaffiliated with any denomination, indicating growth opportunity for the church.

Botetourt County offers the beauty of rural living with a small town feel. Growth on the southern end of the county, along with its proximity to Roanoke, offers convenience and opportunity.

Online websites of interest:

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church: <http://www.phbcweb.com/>

Botetourt County: <http://botetourtva.gov>

Roanoke County: <http://www.roanokecountyva.gov>

Roanoke City: <http://www.roanokeva.gov>