Southaven is known as the “Top of Mississippi,” and is located just a few miles south of the Tennessee line. The nickname is based on more than geographic location. Southaven is a special place. Excellent schools, active churches, superb public services and an overwhelming sense of community spirit embrace Southaven in a world removed from metropolitan hassles.

Geographically, Southaven is located within a day’s drive of 50% of the U.S. population and is the gateway to Mississippi. We are proud of our Mississippi history and heritage which includes many famous musicians and authors including author John Grisham, who had a law practice in Southaven.

The City of Southaven has more than 35,000 residents and is the business hub of DeSoto County. It is unequalled in its offering of retail products, professional services, entertainment choices.

A strong partnership between the City of Southaven, the Southaven Chamber of Commerce and the DeSoto County Economic Development Council continues to attract new businesses and new residents.

With easy highway access, close proximity to an international airport, emergency services, higher education and a variety of housing choices, Southaven is the perfect place to call home.

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Parks, entertainment, sports, education, and the arts... there's plenty to do in Southaven. Twenty-one City parks provide an area for picnics, hiking, fishing and relaxation in your neighborhood. Arkabutla Lake offers camping, hiking, fishing and the best sailing winds south of Chicago. Sportsmen also hunt its wildlife management area for deer, wild turkey, duck, quail and rabbit.

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Southaven offers a variety of housing choices in a wide range of prices from patio homes to estates, from apartments to senior housing. When it comes to taxes, Mississippi is tax friendly to retirees. Qualified retirement income is exempt from state income tax and Social Security is not taxed, regardless of total income. Persons 65 years of age and older are exempt from ad valorem taxes up to $75,000 of the market value on homestead property.

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There's plenty to do when family comes to visit. The annual Springfest brings more than 90,000 fun seekers to town. A parade, midway rides, live music and the biggest barbecue competition in Mississippi keeps the fun going for three days. Fourth of July fireworks, the Fishing Rodeo, the Christmas parade, the Veterans Luncheon and Breakfast with Santa round out the year. Since we're only minutes away from Memphis, it's just a short drive to the zoo, amusement park, riverboat rides, Children's Museum, botanical gardens and more.

For family worship, there are nearly 90 churches representing 25 different denominations. Our churches conduct special programs throughout the year, and are very involved in the community.

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