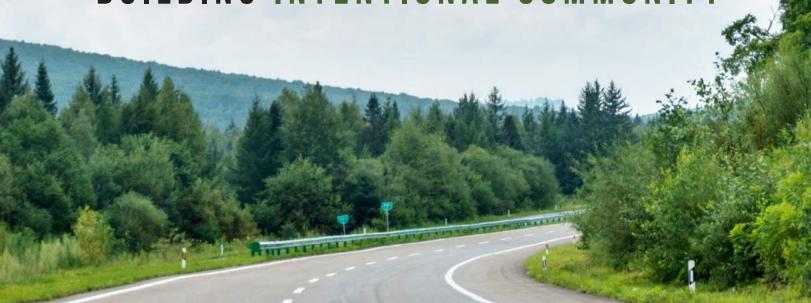
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Where you choose to build your community is just as important as who you choose to build it with. After surveying the United States of America and other countries, we've determined a few key areas ripe for building intentional communities.

We analyzed the laws, culture, climate, cost, and existing communities in these places to give you a broad overview of what you can expect if you choose to build your community there. There is no perfect place.

Each one below comes with its own pros and cons. But we're confident at least one of these areas can give you the space and freedom to build liberty in the country.

So, without further ado, here are the Top 8 strategic locations for buying land and building intentional community.



# 1. CENTRAL TEXAS

# THE COUNTIES SURROUNDING TRAVIS COUNTY/AUSTIN

#### **LOCATION**

**United States** 

#### **COMMUNITY**

Central Texas is home to an active and growing liberty community. Going back to the truther days of the early 2000s and exploding after the Ron Paul for President Campaign in 2008, there are hundreds, perhaps thousands, of Central Texas activists dedicated to truth and freedom.

In recent years, the local Freedom Cell Network has exploded to around 500 people that regularly meet and work together on common goals. The Central Texas Freedom Cell Network recently hosted a river social that had over 180 people in attendance.

There are regular "permablitzes" where people get together to work on food production on one another's properties.

And there is a vibrant homeschool co-op movement.

Central Texas is also home to the Greater Reset events hosted by John Bush and Derrick Broze that pulls together activists, speakers, and entrepreneurs from around the world to present real solutions to technocracy, tyranny, and totalitarianism.





#### COVID RESTRICTIONS

NONE.

The Governor of Texas, Greg Abbott, has unilaterally declared Texas to be "past the time of government mandates."

There are no mask mandates (except in some school districts in big cities), lockdowns, or COVID-specific occupancy limits.

And he signed an executive order barring government agencies, tax-payer funded organizations, AND private businesses from implementing vaccine mandates.

Texas is even suing the Biden Administration over vaccine mandates.

The Lonestar State is 100% open and free of COVID insanity.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Texas is ranked #21 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

It experienced the second-highest real income growth rate in the United States since 2008.

The state tax rate is 6.25% but the max local tax rate is only 2.0%.

The combined corporate tax rate is 21%, making it the lowest in the U.S.



Texas is easily one of the top states for labor-market freedom. Employers are not mandated to provide workers compensation, although most can afford to, and do. It doesn't have its own minimum wage requirements. And it has a strong right-to-work law.

And Texas is one of eight states without an income tax or an estate tax.

All of these and more are good reasons why Texas attracts tons of people from other states, which resulted in the state gaining 2 seats in Congress after 2020.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

While economic freedom is high in Texas, personal freedom is lacking.

Texas has an incarceration rate of 840 per 100,000 people, making it one of the highest prison populations in the nation.

Drug arrests are well above average. Asset forfeiture is still going strong. Cannabis laws are still harsh, although headway is being made with CBD and Delta-8 THC.

Texas has some of the strictest gambling laws in the United States, if not the entire western world.

On the other hand, gun rights are well above the national average.

Legislation was recently passed for permitless carry of handguns in public.



And Texas has a high amount of educational freedom.

If your child hasn't enrolled in public school and you want to homeschool them, you can just begin. You do NOT need to obtain permission from your local school district.

The only requirements to homeschool in Texas are: the curriculum must be legitimate, in visual form, and teach the five subjects of reading, spelling, grammar, mathematics, and "good citizenship" (AKA civics or government or political studies).

The Texas Education Agency doesn't regulate, index, monitor, approve, register, or accredit the programs available to parents who choose to homeschool, and they never "check in" on your "school" at home.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

Texas surprisingly pays less than the national average in energy costs, despite running those air conditioning units all year round.

They also have the 19th cheapest utility bills - the average American spends \$422.08 on cable, water, electricity, and natural gas, but Texans only pay \$409.78

According to MIT, a single person living in Texas would need to budget around \$264.75 per month for groceries, or \$603.16 per month if you have kids.

In 2019, the average US citizen spent \$11,582 a year on health care expenses. In Texas, you'd spend 4.6% (\$532.77) less per year.

The average home only costs around \$241,100.



#### LAND ACQUISITION

Texas has rolling hills, mountains, thick grasses and rolling grasslands, as well as desert lands and a combination of wildlife, plant life, and more.

Texas is large and has a lot of affordable land.

However, First quarter 2021 sales of large acreage rural properties grew more than 50% in West Texas and 37% statewide compared to 2020. Demand for rural living has driven the price of acreage to its record high of \$6,471 per acre.

But don't be deterred. There's plenty of land to go around.

Plus, you can use your land to hunt, invest, ranch, farm, go offgrid, camp your RV, and more. Land use freedom is one of the best in the country in Texas.

#### **CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION**

Texas has the most farms of any state in the country -248,416 in total (as of 2017).

Central Texas makes up about a third of the state and is a subtropical, sub-humid climate with hot summers and arid winters

If you can stand the dry heat, then you can call Texas home. Some of the best beef and pork in the world is produced in Texas, making it easy to be a rancher.

But growing food is still just as easy.



#### The top 5 foods to grow in Central Texas are:

- Cabbage
- Broccoli
- Blackberries
- Pears
- Potatoes







# 2. FLORIDA

#### **LOCATION**

**United States** 

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

NONE.

If you followed COVID politics at all during 2020 and 2021, you know Florida was public enemy #1. Early on in the "pandemic," they began questioning the usefulness of masks and social distancing and lockdowns. And quickly did away with mandates on them.

At this time, Florida is 100% open and free. No mask mandates, lockdowns, or COVID-specific occupancy limits.

Plus, on July 30, Gov. Ron DeSantis (R) signed an order protecting parents' right to choose whether their children wear a mask in schools.

And in May, the governor signed a bill that prohibits vaccine passports.

Florida has become the epicenter of liberty from the COVID regime in the United States.



#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Florida is ranked #1 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

Florida doesn't have a personal income tax, one of the most important marks of economic freedom. And other state and local taxes remain low.

Florida's state tax rate is 6% and their average local tax rate is just 1%.

Recently, Florida passed the "The Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act" (HB 1193) which eliminates barriers of entry to certain professions licensed by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DPBR) by adding endorsement and reciprocity provisions, removing supplemental business licenses and corresponding license fees, reducing licensure education requirements, and eliminating other licensure and registration requirements.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

Florida has put in place tight restrictions on the use of eminent domain, protecting citizens' property rights from the literal bulldozing by the government more than almost any other state.

It also reformed its civil asset forfeiture regime, requiring more stringent proof "beyond a reasonable doubt" for forfeitures.

But cannabis laws are extremely punitive. Possession or sale of over 20 grams of cannabis is a felony and can carry a sentence of up to 30 years and a \$50,000 fine.



Educational freedom is very high in Florida. Over 150,000 Florida students are currently utilizing programs that allow them to take a portion of their K-12 education dollars to the private education provider of their choice. And last year, the state passed the largest expansion of private school choice in U.S. history.

You don't need a permit to purchase a firearm in Florida.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

Florida isn't the cheapest place to live, but it's far from the most expensive.

Florida's median home price is \$355,000.

According to some reports, Florida residents pay on average \$126.44 in their monthly electricity bill. Electricity costs are also 13% higher than the national average of \$111.67.

The average cost of healthcare is about 3% lower than the national average, but as with all of these costs, varies depending on where you live in Florida.

#### LAND ACQUISITION

Flood zones, wetlands, and floodways are all part of the amazing terrain of Florida you have to research and understand before buying land.

The Sunshine State has a diverse mix of marshes, springs, swamps, beaches, islands, rivers and lakes.

But don't worry, there's plenty of dry land to build upon too!



One thing to keep in mind is, because Florida sees a constant flux of people moving in and out of the state, prices for land and homes vary quite a bit.

The good news is, it's totally legal to live off-grid on your land in Florida. Harvesting rainwater and installing independent energy systems are even encouraged.

#### **CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION**

Florida has a great climate for growing crops. It's humid subtropical throughout most of the state. South Florida is a mainly tropical climate.

It's also the flattest state in the United States.

You can grow virtually any fruit in Florida, the most popular being oranges and strawberries.

Dairy farming and cattle ranching are also staples of the state, as is abundant fishing.







## 3. NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### LOCATION

**United States** 

#### **COMMUNITY**

New Hampshire is home to the historic Free State Project - a decentralized and spread out intentional community of libertarians, anarchists, activists, and all forms of freedom-loving people.

The goal of the project is to get 20,000 likeminded people living in New Hampshire to transform the state into one giant intentional community for liberty. Currently, there are 5,223 "free staters" already living there, with nearly another 20,000 pledging to move there when they can.

At least 45 free staters have been elected into positions in local government, affecting change from outside and inside the system in New Hampshire.

Those involved in the Free State Project help newcomers move there and get settled.

There is also a strong agorist and cryptocurrency community in Keene, New Hampshire.



Throughout these and other liberty-focused communities, there are many meetups, demonstrations, and gatherings to remind you that you're part of a large movement of people that believe in individual liberty, peace, and property rights. Many people who move to New Hampshire and join the Free State Project rarely leave because the sense of community is so strong.

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

NONE.

New Hampshire is fully open, without any mask mandates, lockdowns, or business restrictions.

The state encourages you to quarantine for at least 10 days after international travel, but it's not legally enforced.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

New Hampshire is rated #2 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

Taxes in New Hampshire are very interesting.

The median property tax in New Hampshire is \$4,636.00 per year for a home worth the median value of \$249,700.00. This gives it one of the highest average property tax rates in the country.

However, it has no personal income tax and no sales tax.

New Hampshire also doesn't have its own minimum wage laws.



And New Hampshire's inflation-adjusted real GDP growth is 335%, which is astounding. The state promotes entrepreneurship and low regulations to guide the expansion of the free market.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

Though recreational use remains illegal in New Hampshire, possession of 21 grams of cannabis or up to 5 grams of hash is decriminalized. They do operate a medical marijuana program called the "Therapeutic Cannabis Program."

New Hampshire is a shall-issue, permitless, open and concealed carry state.

Nondrug victimless crime arrests are average, along with drug arrest rates and other incarceration rates.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

No income or sales tax helps lower the cost of items like groceries, but many studies show New Hampshire has one of the highest costs of living in the United States and the fourth highest number of building restrictions.

Land-use regulations have driven up the cost of housing in recent years. It ranks way above average for costs of housing and utilities.

Although, New Hampshire is ranked number 7 out of all states in overall healthcare access and affordability.



#### LAND ACQUISITION

New Hampshire is bordered by Canada in the north, Maine and the Atlantic Ocean in the east, Massachusetts in the south, and Vermont in the west.

It includes forested white mountains, hills and valleys, lakes, sandy beaches, and even wetlands.

It has vast undeveloped acreage and regulations are very friendly toward homesteading and off-grid living.

#### CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION

New Hampshire has four distinct seasons with a wide variety of temperatures. Summers are pleasantly warm but short, and winters are long, snowy, and often frigid. The southeastern part of the state experiences milder winters and higher humidity (due to the Atlantic Ocean), while the northern and central portions see colder winters and relatively less humidity.

You'll often see apple, pear, and plum trees growing in your neighbor's yard.

While cattle ranching isn't as popular in New Hampshire as other states, many farmers and ranchers still raise their animals in the state.

And you'll find a wide variety of foragable greens, mushrooms, and other plants throughout the forest that you can hunt, pick, and eat at your leisure.





### 4. MEXICO (MORELIA)

#### LOCATION

Southern portion of North America

#### **COMMUNITY**

Derrick Broze, founder of the Conscious Resistance Network and co-founder of the Greater Reset, has been living in Morelia, Mexico for quite a while and is actively building an intentional community in the mountains of Michoacan.

Dozens of people have moved to Mexico to help out in the effort and we expect this community to thrive, transforming the area into an even more liberty-friendly place than it is already.

Agorism is thriving in this area, with daily commerce being transacted covertly using cryptocurrency, cash, precious metals, and barter.





#### COVID RESTRICTIONS

Mixed.

Mexico has a four-tier system of restrictions, with red signifying maximum restrictions, orange limiting capacity in public spaces and at work to 30%, yellow allowing for all work to resume and public gatherings to take place, and green meaning there are no restrictions in place.

As of October 1, 2021, most states were categorized as yellow, with a few green or orange states. No states were red.

Restrictions have been minimal and not far-reaching. Life has been pretty normal.

Mexico is open to travelers without a need to show a negative PCR test, vaccine passport, or quarantine on arrival.

Mexico has had some of the world's loosest border restrictions with anyone allowed to travel by air for business or leisure.

It's important to note: even though the Mexican government or local governments issue certain mandates, they're rarely enforced. Most residents don't care to comply and most police don't care to force them to comply.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

According to the Heritage Foundation, Mexico's economic freedom score is 65.5, making its economy the 65th freest in the 2021 Index.



The top individual income tax rate is 35 percent, and the top corporate tax rate is 30 percent. Other taxes include a value-added tax. The overall tax burden equals 16.1 percent of total domestic income.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

A medical marijuana program is just beginning in Mexico, the supreme court has decriminalized recreational cannabis. Possession and use of up to 28 grams of recreational cannabis by persons 18 and older is no longer a crime

The Mexican constitution allows for legal possession of one firearm, with several important caveats: you must be of Mexican descent or a foreigner with legal residency status; the firearm must be of small caliber; it must be registered with the army; and the firearm cannot be carried in the street.

The law is written to try and protect property rights, but corrupt government officials and police, along with powerful cartels and gangs, erode the safety of Mexico in many major cities (but not all cities).

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

The cost of living in Mexico is, on average, 49.99% lower than in the United States.

But Mexico has a centralized economy and most of the country's economic activity revolves around Mexico City. This makes the capital a relatively expensive place to live. It's much more inexpensive to branch out to Mexico's provinces.



Local and national public transportation is generally lower in cost than the U.S.

Prices for electricity are relatively high.

Piped water to a residential home is inexpensive but rarely drinkable.

#### LAND ACQUISITION

There are very few restrictions on the ownership of residential property in Mexico.

There is a lot of land stretching out in Mexico to develop.

Special rules do apply to coastal and border properties that need to be considered before purchasing in those areas.

#### CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION

Mexico is generally arid on the west coast and in the centralnorthern highlands. It is moderately rainy in the mountain ranges and in the southern plateaus, and very rainy in some tropical southern areas.

All that means is your crops will have plenty of rain and sunshine to grow.

The temperature in all areas of Mexico typically ranges between 50°F and 90°F throughout the year.



Grain crops and legumes are staples of Mexico and grow extremely well. You can grow virtually any fruit in Mexico, and you'll see fruit trees scattered throughout the country. And Mexico is known for its sugar and coffee exports. If you want it, you can probably grow it in Mexico.







# 5. MONTANA

#### LOCATION

**United States** 

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

NONE.

No mask mandates, lockdowns, or business restrictions.

In April, Gov. Greg Gianforte (R) signed an executive order prohibiting vaccine passports in Montana. He also signed into law a policy that prevents the enforcement of emergency public health restrictions, such as mask mandates.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Montana is ranked #16 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

The average family pays \$1,815.00 in Montana income taxes, with the top individual tax rate standing at 6.9%.

Montana is one of the few states that have no sales, estate, or inheritance tax.



Montana is one of the least free states when it comes to the labor market. Health insurance mandates are extremely expensive. Occupational licensing has ballooned since 2000. And Montana's minimum wage will increase to \$9.20 effective January 1, 2022.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

Montana is kind of all over the place in terms of personal freedom.

In 2020 it became legal for adults to possess no more than one ounce of marijuana for personal use in the state of Montana and to grow marijuana. And starting in 2022, recreational marijuana will be legal and dispensaries will start selling it.

But the incarceration rate is still above average when adjusted for crime rates.

And all liquor stores are state-contracted, meaning all sales of liquor are under the control of the Montana government.

No registration, license, or permit is required to purchase or possess a firearm.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

Housing costs vary quite a bit from city to city, but rural living is very affordable.

The average electric bill in 2018 in the U.S. was \$117.65. The average electric bill in Montana is \$94.75.

The average gas price in Montana is 3.395.



#### LAND ACQUISITION

Montana ranks as the third most sparsely populated state in the U.S. with an average of six people per square mile. Which means PLENTY of space to stretch your legs on vast ranches and permaculture farms.

It also means lots of privacy - ideal for any intentional community.

In 2018 the average price per acre was \$2,066.

Montana is known as a "non-disclosure state," meaning that sales information is kept confidential and out of the public record. This is extremely unique. If you're trying to buy land and build a community without being found, this law works in your favor.

#### **CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION**

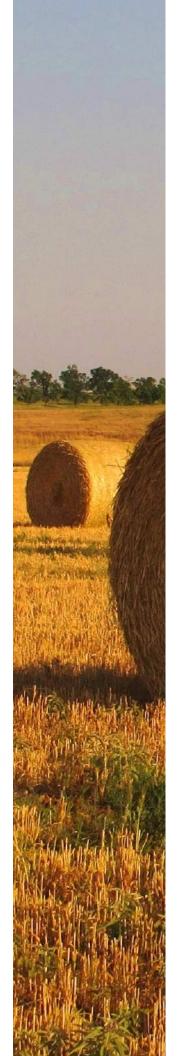
Montana is home to Glacier National Park, also known as "The Crown of the Continent" and part of Yellowstone National Park. The summers of Montana can reach high into the 80s while January can reach deep into below zero temperatures.

Hiking, fishing, hunting, climbing, and all sorts of water activities are available thanks to Montana's abundance of rivers and lakes.

Montana's economy is still fundamentally driven by agriculture. Over 27,000 farms, spread across 60 million total acres with each property averaging 2,207 acres in size.

If you want to raise cattle of any kind, Montana will suit you well.

Lentils, peas, sugar beets, and beans are staple crops in Montana that grow well.





# 6. OKLAHOMA

#### LOCATION

**United States** 

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

NONE.

No mask mandates, lockdowns, or business restrictions.

Also, Gov. Kevin Stitt (R) signed an order that prohibits state agencies from requiring a visitor to show proof of vaccination to enter public buildings, however, the order exempts agencies that conduct medical activities requiring patient interaction.

Oklahoma also prohibits universities from requiring COVID-19 vaccinations for students.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Oklahoma is ranked #19 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

Oklahoma is one of the lowest-taxed states in America. The top individual income tax rate is 5%. The median property tax in Oklahoma is \$796.00 per year, one of the lowest in the nation.



The state does not tax Social Security income, and there is no state estate tax.

Oklahoma's labor laws are excellent: a right-to-work law, no state-level minimum wage, a federally consistent anti-discrimination law, and the 2014 repeal of mandated workers' compensation coverage.

However, we have to point out that Oklahoma state law prevents residents from purchasing Tesla vehicles because Tesla sells direct to consumers. Oklahoma law requires the use of a traditional dealership model for vehicle sales. Strange and restrictive, but true.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

Oklahoma has the second-highest incarceration rate in the world. One of the reasons is its highly punitive drug laws. If you're caught in possession of even small amounts of controlled substances, you can be hit with hefty fines, jail time, and misdemeanor charges.

However, the state of Oklahoma has legalized the use of medical marijuana for those with certain medical conditions, giving residents the ability to grow up to 6 plants and possess up to 8 ounces in their home.

Oklahoma is a shall-issue, permitless carry state. Open carry is legal without a license.

No permit is needed to purchase a firearm from a private individual, there is no waiting period and there is no firearms registration in the state. A background check is required if purchasing a handgun from a Federal Firearms Dealer.



Governor Stitt signed an anti-red flag bill into law in May of 2020, taking a firm stand against these dangerous laws causing controversy in other states.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

Oklahoma has the second-lowest cost of living in the United States. The cost of housing, groceries, utilities, and transportation are all below average in Oklahoma.

The median home value is around \$130,001.

#### LAND ACQUISITION

Oklahoma is the smallest of the southwestern states. Its landscape consists primarily of flat plains and low hills scattered with mountains, ridges, and regions of low-rising hills.

Land use regulation is very low in Oklahoma.

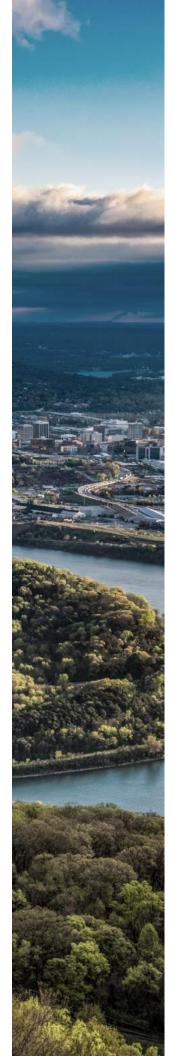
And there is a TON of open, unused land for sale.

#### CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION

Oklahoma features warm, moist air that blows in from the Gulf of Mexico. Summers are long and hot, while winters are short and less extreme than other plain states.

Oklahoma is known for its fertile farmland. Flat prairies stretch across the state, perfect for ranching and farming.

Lettuce, kale, squash, and dozens of other vegetables are easy to grow in this state.





# 7. TENNESSEE

#### LOCATION

United States

#### **COMMUNITY**

Tennessee the home of incredible and wonderful Nicole Sauce, one of the presenters at the Exit and Build Land Acquisition and Community Development Summit and host of the Living Free In Tennessee podcast.

She's also the founder of a thriving intentional community effectively called the "Holler Neighborhood." The people who are part of the Holler community call themselves the GSD (Getting Shit Done) Crew.

These people are extremely handy and reliable. They're very hands-on with gardening, farming, carpentry, and a host of other skills. Let's just say, these are the ideal types of people you want on your side during an apocalyptic situation.





#### COVID RESTRICTIONS

Mixed.

Lawmakers recently passed legislation that banned local governments and public schools from requiring masks "unless COVID-19 cases dramatically skyrocket." Businesses, hospitals, nursing homes and airports can still require masks.

They also banned employer vaccine mandates. However, businesses that contract with the federal government can be exempted.

Different counties have different mask mandates, as do individual businesses.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Tennessee is ranked #7 by Cato Institute's "Freedom In the 50 States" project.

They have no state income tax.

However, the state does tax dividend and interest earnings from investments. And they have a flat corporate income tax rate of 6.5% of gross income

Tennessee is in the top 10 for labor-market freedom, with a right-to-work law, no minimum wage, relaxed workers' compensation rules.



#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

Tennessee has a mix of good and really bad laws affecting personal freedom.

Cannabis, for both medical and recreational uses, is illegal. However, there is an exception that allows the use of high-CBD, low-THC cannabis oil for seizure patients.

It's illegal to possess or cultivate cannabis, and possession will result in a misdemeanor charge.

But Tennessee boasts permitless open and concealed carry laws for legally owned firearms.

Unfortunately, there are no private or public school choice programs, and private schools and homeschools face significant regulatory burdens.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

Tennessee ranks sixth place for lowest cost of living in the United States. It's below the national average for cost of living in the categories of housing, transportation, and utilities.

In 2019, the median home value in Tennessee is \$170,801.

A single adult with no children will pay around \$2,813 for medical care in a single year. A family of four with two working adults and two children can expect to pay \$7,750.



#### LAND ACQUISITION

Tennessee contains the Unaka mountain region, low fertile valleys, streams, and fertile farmland.

A homestead exemption is granted automatically in Tennessee homeowners don't have to file a homestead claim at all. This grants legal protection and safeguards on the value of the home from taxes and creditors in the death of the homeowner or spouse.

There's a lot of land available in Tennessee. In 2019, it cost \$3,160 on average for an acre.

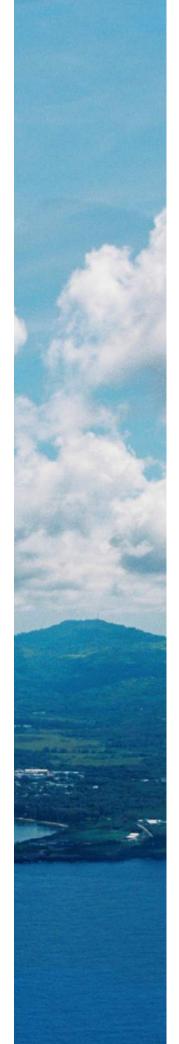
#### **CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION**

Tennessee has a moderate climate featuring cool, but not cold, winters and warm summers.

Plus, it gets plenty of rainfall. Some call Tennessee "drought-free"

This makes it ideal for developing large farmlands and raising a variety of animals.







# 8. SAIPAN

#### LOCATION

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)

#### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

Bad.

All inbound travelers are required to quarantine in designated government facilities.

Indoor gatherings of less than 150 people from different households are permitted throughout the commonwealth if vaccination completion is not verifiable. Indoor/outdoor gatherings of 100% fully vaccinated individuals are permitted throughout the commonwealth and as long as vaccination is verifiable.

#### **ECONOMIC FREEDOM**

Saipan is a US territory with a unique tax structure that has given rise to the "CNMI Rebate."

After you pay US federal taxes, up to 90% of it is given back to you as a rebate on CNMI-sourced income, making it the lowest-taxed jurisdiction on US soil.



You also pay taxes directly to the local government through their taxation department, rather than dealing with the IRS.

Saipan is quickly becoming a bastion for cryptocurrency use. There are many businesses accepting cryptocurrency in exchange for goods and services, including apartment buildings, restaurants, and hardware stores.

#### PERSONAL FREEDOM

In September 2018, Saipan legalized medicinal and recreational use of marijuana. The cannabis industry is growing steadily and is becoming a crucial part of the economy.

For most of its existence, Saipan only allowed civilians to own .410 shotguns and .22 caliber rifles with a license. But a few successful legal battles led to citizens' ability to import handguns and handgun ammunition. However, firearm law is still in a gray area.

#### **AFFORDABILITY**

The economy of Saipan has been thanks to its tourism industry, despite the "pandemic" slowing it down. In 2016, Saipan's real GDP increased 28.6% over the previous year, following two years of relatively rapid growth in 2014 and 2015.

The average total cost of living in Saipan for two people is \$718 per month.

Health care facilities are limited to routine treatment. Serious or complex health care treatment may require evacuation which can be expensive.



The cost of various communication services such as home telephone, internet subscription, and mobile service is very high since you're in a remote area.

#### LAND ACQUISITION

The CNMI is a three-hundred mile archipelago in Micronesia made up of fifteen islands and 183.5 square miles of land. The territory has fifteen islands, but the Northern islands remain largely uninhabited.

Saipan is the largest island in the CNMI and has a lot of raw land to be developed.

Article 12 of the CNMI constitution restricts the acquisition of long-term interests in land to persons of Northern Mariana Islands descent (NMD). As a result, land purchases in Saipan are legally restricted to person with a NMD Classification.

Although you cannot own land indefinitely, you can still lease land. The CNMI Constitution allows non-NMDs to lease land for up to 55 years at a time. And you can renew the lease every time it expires.

The great Vin Armani, podcaster, YouTuber, author, philosopher, and crypto entrepreneur moved his entire family to Saipan in 2020. He's part of a growing crypto community out there turning the island into a safe-haven for crypto economies.



#### CLIMATE AND FOOD PRODUCTION

The western side of Saipan is lined with sandy beaches and an offshore coral reef. The eastern shore is composed primarily of rugged rocky cliffs.

The sun is shining all the time in Saipan, and the weather is similar to the tropical rainforest climate.

Heat tolerant foods grow best in Saipan. This includes tubers such as Cassava, leafy greens such as tropical spinach, and squashes such as Seminole pumpkin.





#### THIS IS THE END OF THE LIST, FOR NOW...

We originally intended to have 10 locations on this list, including Sweden and Nicaragua, but with ever-changing COVID restrictions and uncertain policies on land ownership, we decided to settle on these 8 locations. These are, without a doubt, great options for building intentional community.

Going forward, we plan on updating this list with more locations and more details. This is definitely not an exhaustive list. We're certain there are many more viable options in the world for building intentional community.

YOU may even know of some places that should have been included on this list. Please **join our private Telegram group** and let us know. scan this QR code to join:



Your contribution will help the entire community find more freedom in more places throughout the world.

Thank you for your time and attention.

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