

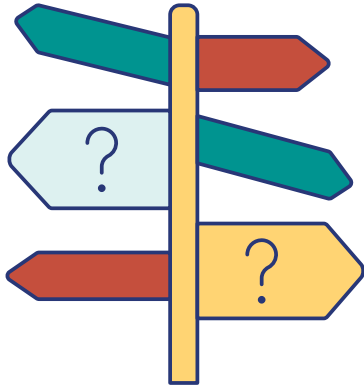
**LINK
WITH**

**YOUR
COMMUNITY**

A guide for
finding
meaningful and
fun activities to
fill your time,
meet new
people, and
help you reach
your goals.



HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE:



Thank you for being here! We hope that this interactive guide will help you find ways to fill your time with meaningful activities, work on your goals, learn new things, practice your hobbies, and meet new people in your community.

This guide is designed to help you find real places, events, and activities you can do in Rhode Island and inspire you to find your own. We have collected some resources and links to help get you started.

Helpful Tips:

- When words are underlined like this, these are links you can click to take you around the guide or to another website with more information.
- If you are viewing the guide in a desktop browser, you can right-click on the links with your mouse, and a window will pop up that says, “Open link in new tab.” This is helpful so you can see the guide and the website at the same time. If not, you may need to click the “back” button to get back to this guidebook.
- You can zoom in and out of a page in this guide using the magnifying glass icon tools on the top or left side of your screen.

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If you have a question about the guide or want to share a resource with us email linkwithus@ripin.org

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What Do You Want to Do ?

Click on the text or the red circles to be taken where you want to go.



TIPS AND TRICKS

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How to find more



**WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY,
TOMORROW, OR SOON?**



VISIT THE LIBRARY



VISIT A MUSEUM



EXPLORE MY INTERESTS



**FIND PLACES, EVENTS, AND
ACTIVITIES IN MY OWN TOWN OR CITY**

Accessibility Information



If you require accommodations to visit or participate in any of the activities or locations shared in this guide, many locations and events will share this information on their websites.

If not, try contacting them directly by email or phone for more information and ask if they can meet your needs.

Below we share information about some information on popular events and places that clearly share this information and offer many accessibility sensory-friendly opportunities.

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How do you get around?

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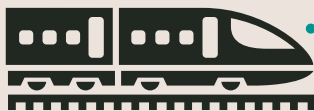
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HOW CAN I FIND MORE?

Tips and tricks to help you find more beyond this guide

Start with your interests and hobbies

The best way to keep busy and find new friends is to join clubs, groups, and attend events that are based off of your interests and hobbies. This guide gave some ideas about a few, but there are so many more to choose and explore! This page shares a few ways to find more!

Look at community bulletin boards

Many of your favorite places to visit in your neighborhood have bulletin boards where people put up flyers about stuff happening. It's cool because you can find out about events and activities that match your interests without having to search too hard. Maybe there's a local art class you'd enjoy or a fun concert in the park!

Be brave and try something new!

Trying new things keeps life exciting and helps you grow as a person. You grow when you learn new skills, meet new people, and discover more of the world around you. You might like the routine you have, and that's okay, but sometimes our routines need new things to do too!

Social Media and Meetup Groups

When done safely, joining social media and [meetup groups](#) can help you find other people who like what you like. You can talk with people in these groups and you might find a new buddy to explore your interests with.

Friends

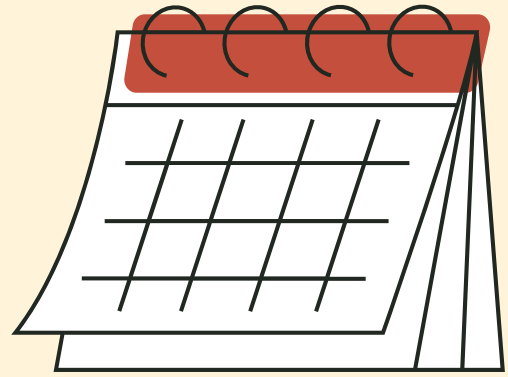
Talk with your current friends and see if they belong to any groups or what they do in their communities. You might find something that interests you, too! Plus, it can be another way to spend time with your friend!

Use Map Apps and Websites!

Map apps can give you directions and transportation options, but did you know it can also help you discover new restaurants, cafes, and places to shop in your community? They can also guide you to parks, museums, and other recreational spots you might not have known about!

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WHAT CAN I DO RIGHT NOW? ...OR SOON?



EVENTS:

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Here are some websites to check for local events and activities:

[Arts Now RI](#)

[Beyond the Nest](#)

[PVD EYE](#)

[Rhode Island Monthly](#)

[Visit Rhode Island](#)



Want to get an email with ideas for planning your weekend? Sign up for the:

[Rhody Weekender](#)



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Where do you look for events?
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[Here is a list of events](#) happening at libraries across Rhode Island. This site also lets you search for library events at your local library, on a certain day or time, and more.

LIBRARIES

Not just a place for Books!

Find your local library [here](#).

Aside from events and all the awesome books, movies, music, and other things you can check out and take home with you, libraries in Rhode Island have so much more to offer. You might also find:

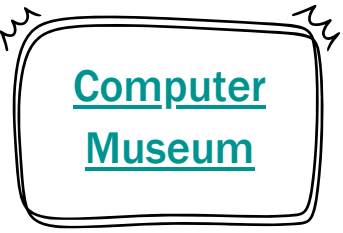
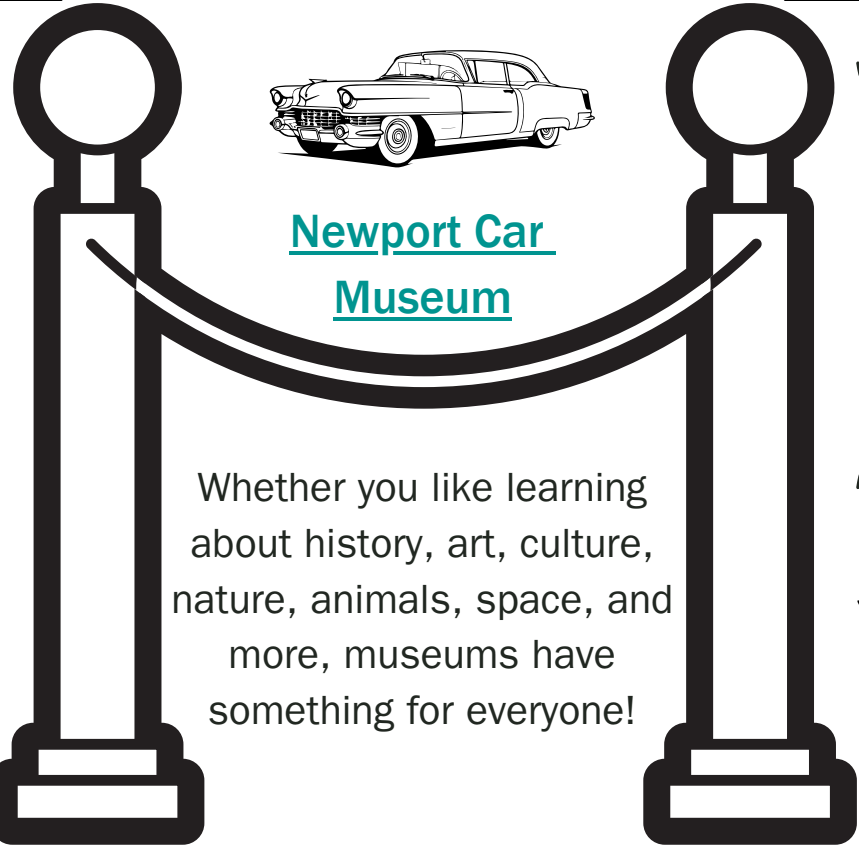
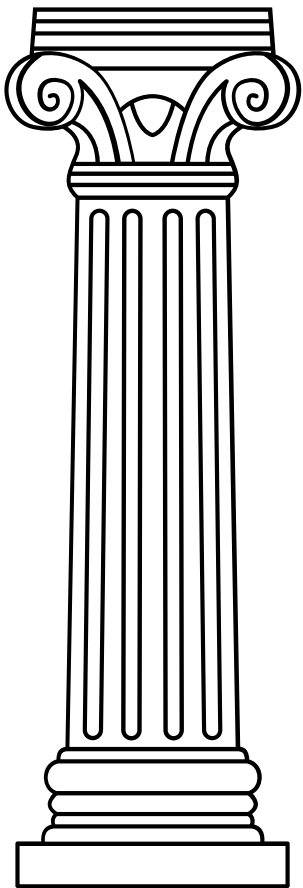
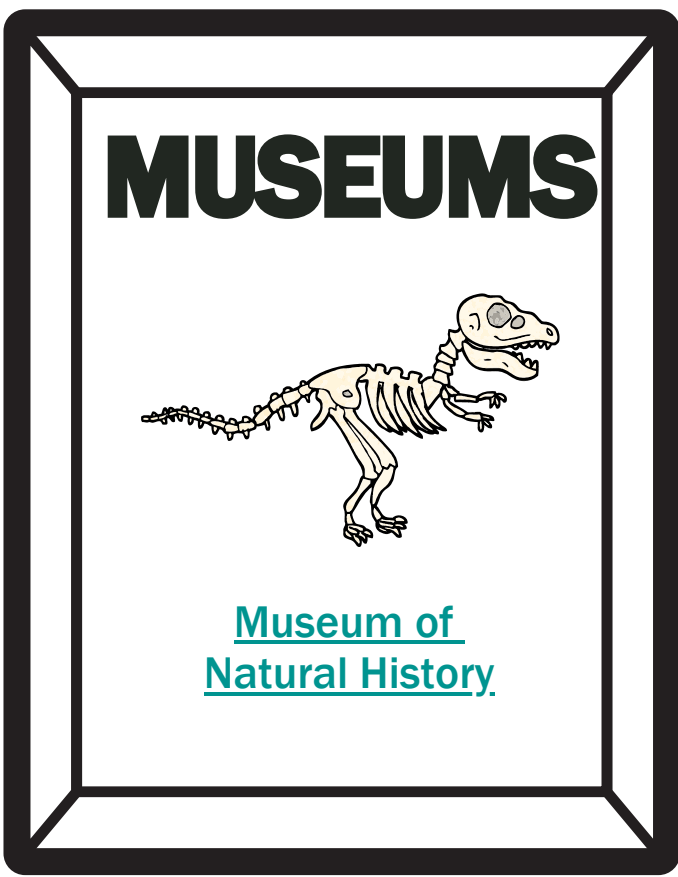
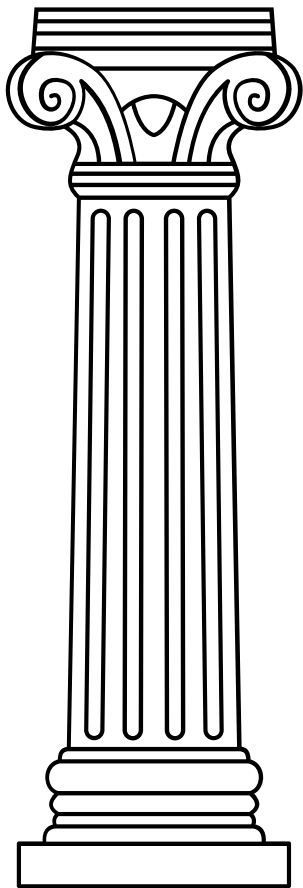
- Community Jigsaw Puzzles
- Free museum passes “library of things”
- “[Makerspace](#)” & more!

Did You Know?

There is also a [virtual library](#) with TV shows, movies, music, e-books, and more.



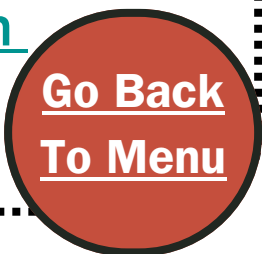
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Whether you like learning about history, art, culture, nature, animals, space, and more, museums have something for everyone!

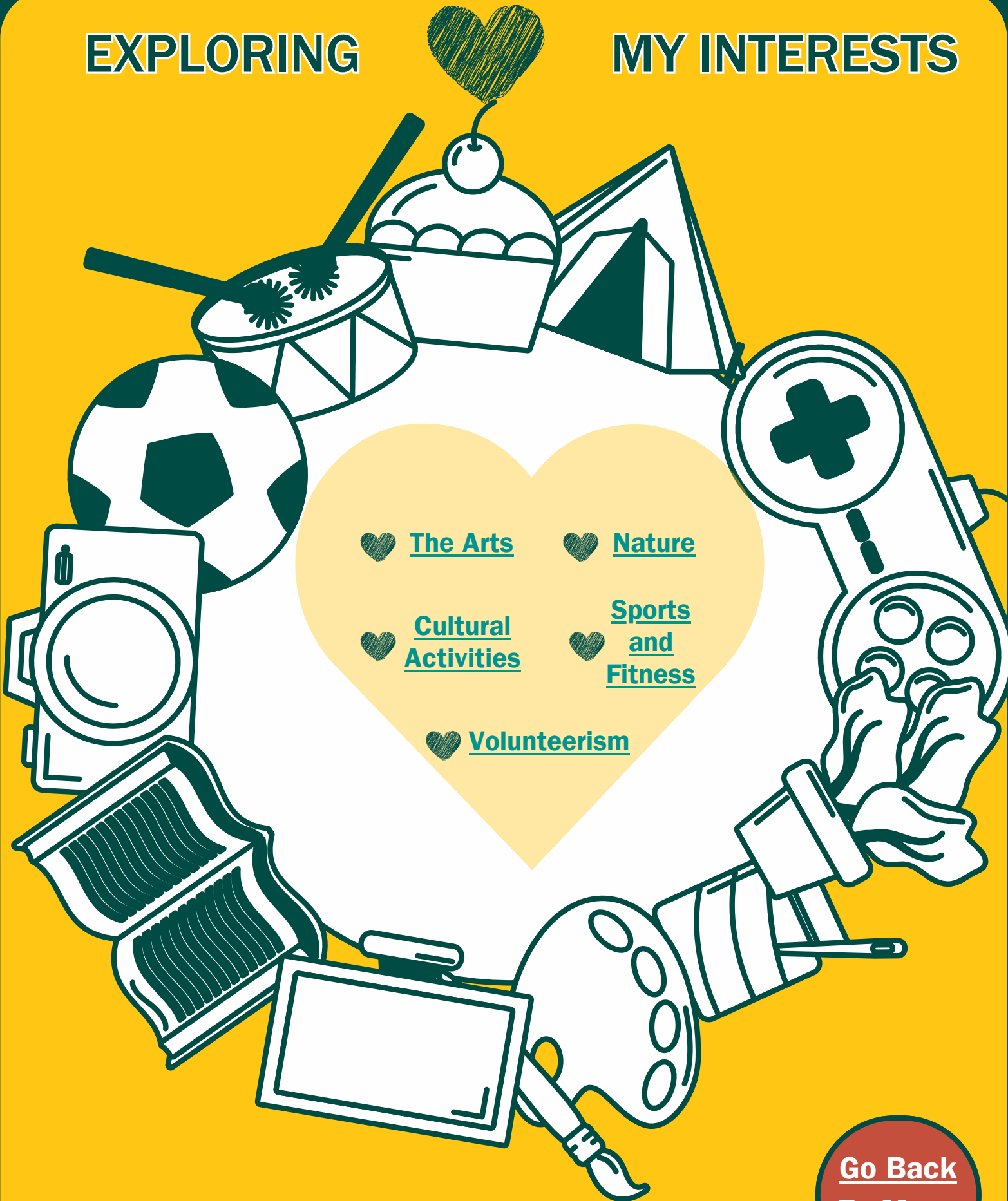
[Museums for All: Free or Reduced Admission](#)

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What interests are we missing?
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THE ARTS

There are many different ways to make art: Dancing, theater, music, painting, sculpture, drawing, and a whole lot more! So, here are some links with ideas to explore!



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MULTI-CULTURAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

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The links on this page can help you find activities and events that celebrate your own culture or learn about others.



Do you have ideas for more links on this topic?
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Tell us your favorite nature spot!
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SPORTS AND FITNESS



Biking, Hiking, Walking

Find some of the best places to walk and hike with these links:

- [RI Walks](#)
- [Take A Hike](#)
- [Bike Paths in RI](#)

Dance studios in RI

Dancing is fun, social, and a great way to get fit!

Check out a list of dance studios [here](#).

Special Olympics

Learn how to sign up as an athlete with Special Olympics.

[Click here.](#)

Surfing

You can learn to ride the waves with these two organizations:

- [Surf New England](#)
- [Gnome Surf](#)
- [Waves of Change](#)

Yoga

There are many places to practice yoga. A good place to start can be a chair yoga class.

You can also check out [Shri Yoga](#).

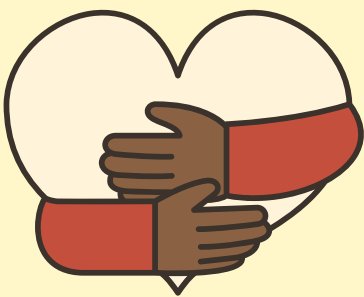
YMCA

There's a lot you can do at the Y. Swimming, working out, going to exercise classes, and more. [Find your local YMCA here.](#)

We know exercise is good for us but sometimes we don't want to do it. Finding fitness activities you find fun is the way to go!



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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteering is a great way to give back to your community, help someone in need, learn new things, meet new people, and try out different types of work experiences.

If you take it seriously and work hard, the people you volunteer with might want to give you references when you're ready or want to apply for a new job! But, that should not be the only reason to volunteer. You want to do it to feel good by making a difference in the world. There are many different ways to serve your community, but this link to the United Way of Rhode Island is a good way to start! The website hosts a calendar and listings of many places and organizations that need volunteers.

[**CLICK FOR A
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WHERE CAN I GO IN MY OWN COMMUNITY?

Click on your city or town.
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- East Greenwich
- Warwick
- West Greenwich
- West Warwick

Providence County

- Burrillville
- Central Falls
- Cranston
- Cumberland
- East Providence
- Foster
- Glocester
- Johnston
- Lincoln

Bristol County

- Barrington
- Bristol
- Warren

Washington County

“South County”

- Charlestown
- Exeter
- Hopkinton
- Narragansett
- North Kingstown
- Richmond
- South Kingstown
- Westerly

North Providence

North Smithfield

- Pawtucket
- Providence
- Scituate
- Smithfield
- Woonsocket

Newport County

- Jamestown
- Little Compton
- Middletown
- Newport
- Portsmouth
- Tiverton

TIP: Your Town or City’s official website may have an event calendar and other resources and information. Click [here](#) to find yours.

Hint: We love looking at our town’s recreation department’s page.

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[Business and Community Association](#)
[Community Land Trust](#)

Bristol

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Warren

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A turkey at the Claire D. McIntosh Wildlife Refuge in Bristol



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The famous Rocky Point Amusement Park is now a state park you can visit in Warwick!

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A hen getting water at the Fantastic Umbrella Factory in Charlestown, RI

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