OSU General Surgery Housing Guide

We have compiled a list of resources to help in your housing search that contains information from fellow residents, medical students, and campus resources.

In addition to this guide, the OSU Office of Student Life has a website devoted to off campus housing resources. You may access their site from the following URL: http://offcampus.osu.edu

Locations

OSU General Surgery residents live in many different neighborhoods around Columbus. Some prefer the hustle and bustle of the campus area, while others live in quieter areas a little farther from the medical center. Following is a list of some of the neighborhoods and specific buildings or intersections where members of the medical community live. All of the buildings listed below are apartments unless specified otherwise.
Grandview:

Approximately a 5 to 10 minute drive west of campus, Grandview is home to many graduate students and young professionals. The community is made up of a combination of homes, duplexes, and apartment buildings, as well as many restaurants and bars. Community events are held throughout the year, including The Grandview Hop, occurring the first Saturday of every month, April through November.

Highly recommended:

1) Runaway Bay
2) The Quarry
3) Somerset Square Apartments
4) Northwest Blvd & Chambers Rd
   • Moderately noisy atmosphere

No complaints:

1) Heritage Apartments
2) The Meridian
   • Home to many medical students.
   • Some people have noted issues with management
3) Arbors of Watermark
   • Quiet to moderately noisy
4) Colony Club
5) Fisher Commons

Victorian Village:

Portions of both Victorian Village, located southwest of campus and Italian Village, located southeast of campus, are within walking distance to campus. Other areas of these communities are a bike ride or a quick bus ride away. Both areas are comprised of older, large, Victorian-style homes, along with apartment buildings and townhomes. There are a large population of Ohio State graduate students and young professionals in these communities, as well as many dining establishments and outdoor festivities, such as Comfest—an annual three-day event held in June in Goodale Park—and the Columbus Italian Festival—a three-day event held each year at the beginning of October. The best way to find places in this area is to look on Craigslist or just to walk around and look for "For Rent" signs. Apartments are often owned by smaller companies or a single landlord.

Highly recommended:

1) W 4th Ave & High St
2) W 4th Ave & Neil Ave
3) W 6th Ave & Hunter Ave
4) W 5th Ave & Michigan or Pennsylvania

No complaints:

1) King Ave & Forsythe Ave
2) W 3rd Ave & Dennison Ave
**Short North:**

The Short North, located south of campus, is an eclectic hub of bars, shops, galleries, boutiques and apartments that appeal to a diverse population. The Short North is a historic, diverse, urban neighborhood, with many year-round events, such as Gallery Hop (held the first Saturday of every month), the Arnold Classic Sports Festival and the annual Columbus Gay Pride Festival. Again, Craigslist and walking around are your best options.

**Highly recommended:**

1) Clark Place: condos for purchase
2) Victorian Gate: condos for purchase
   - Moderately noisy
3) W Starr Ave & High St

**Arena District:**

Located downtown and southwest of the campus area, the Arena District is a fairly new urban area which is easily accessible by COTA. The Arena District is a trendy area, with newer apartment buildings located close to restaurants, shops and nightlife. You’ll find a large population of young professionals in this area. Housing can be on the pricey side.

**Highly recommended:**

1) Arena Crossing

**German Village:**

German Village, a historic neighborhood south of downtown, is approximately a 10 to 15 minute bus ride from campus. German Village is home to many recent graduates and also includes the Brewery District, an area with many restaurants and bars.

**NECKO (Neil, Eighth, Cannon, King Organization):**

This area is basically right on the Medical Center campus. Medical students enjoy it because it is a great neighborhood for a short walking commute to school and convenient for going out at night.

**Highly recommended:**

1) King Ave & Perry St
   - Quiet to moderately noisy
2) W 8th Ave
Upper Arlington:

This prime suburban area is a short drive from the medical school. It tends to be more expensive, but is quiet and filled with stores and restaurants. Many apartment buildings are close to grocery stores, pharmacies, and other shops.

Highly recommended:

1) Chatham Village: condos for purchase, rented condos & townhomes
   • Quiet to moderately noisy
2) Arlington Heights
3) Windsor at Sterling Place
4) Marble Cliff Commons
5) University Village Apartments
6) Harvard Square Apartments

Westerville:

This area is northeast of Worthington and has a very suburban feel.

Highly recommended:

1) Hickory Creek Apartments

Dublin:

This is a very nice area of town and is very popular with graduate students. (~1/3 of the first year students live in this area.) This area offers both apartment complexes for renters and condominiums for those interested in purchasing. It is very easy to commute to and from campus using either SR 315, Olentangy River Road, or Kenny Road as easy North-South routes. The area (as a whole) is reasonably priced – it offers a sensible alternative to living on campus.

Bexley:

Although less common, this is a very affordable location, and within easy access to campus along highways. Depending on the complex, it tends to be a popular choice among young families as well, but has a good mix of housing prices (i.e. everything from college students to the President of OSU living there). It's a good choice if you want more space for less money, and is far enough away from campus and downtown that traffic congestion is minimal. Depending on where you live, you can expect about a 15-25 minute drive to campus during rush hour and about 10 minutes during off hours.
Northwest Columbus:

Just north of Upper Arlington, this area shares many of the conveniences of that neighborhood, but with less expense.

Highly recommended:

1) Bethel Colony II: condos for purchase or rent
2) Olentangy Commons
3) Governors Square Apartments
4) Kenny Rd & Henderson Rd

Hilliard:

This family-friendly area is quiet and clean. Students enjoy the parks and the residential feel, but the commute is longer than in other areas.

Highly recommended:

1) Templeton Crossing
2) Hilliard Park
3) Heritage Green Apartments

No complaints:

1) Country Ridge Apartments

Clintonville:

Located just north of campus, Clintonville is home to many recent graduates and long-term residents. A Columbus landmark, is located in Clintonville just west of High Street and features a number of bike trails, tennis courts and baseball fields, as well as the Park of Roses. During the summer, there are a number of events held here, including the Rose Festival and a variety of concerts. This area is popular with married students and those looking to purchase a condo or house. Lots of new developments give Clintonville many restaurants and stores. Places for rent can be found by driving around or by looking on Craigslist!

Highly recommended:

1) Fenway Pines: condos for purchase
2) Henderson Rd & High St: condos for purchase
3) Morse Rd & High St: condos for purchase

Worthington:

This northern suburban area is more removed from campus, but shares the features as areas like Hilliard. Worthington tends to be more expensive than other areas of Columbus.

Highly recommended:

1) Central Park