

A GUIDE FOR
DOWNTOWN BATON ROUGE

Residents



DOWNTOWN
DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT

Welcome

The Downtown Development District (DDD) is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana with the established mission to promote and enhance the District in ways that benefit the entire community. The DDD is comprised of 3 major neighborhoods including Historic Spanish Town, Beauregard Town, and the Central Business District.

The many DDD led project and event initiatives are highlighted in the public commission meetings hosted at different downtown venues on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 a.m. Residential opportunities, economic incentives, restaurant and merchant guides, and other useful information can be provided by contacting the DDD. We also encourage you to keep informed on downtown events, meetings, and initiatives by joining our email list at www.downtownbatonrouge.org, becoming our friend on Facebook, and following us on Twitter.

The following information is a guide intended for new and/or established downtown residents. Contact information for entities and organizations servicing downtown can be found in the Contact section of this booklet. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.





Basics

Downtown offers a variety of events, entertainment venues, and services. It is home to over 60 restaurants, 20 entertainment venues, and 8 art galleries, all within walking distance. There are also several public greenspaces that host large events, recreational opportunities, and daily strolls. Everything is right here for you to experience and enjoy!

Amenities & Services

Downtown's quality schools, exciting entertainment options, hundreds of merchants, and unparalleled cultural amenities can be found by visiting our website at www.downtownbatonrouge.org. Be sure to download our Merchants listing and take advantage of the restaurants and services available to you!



Special Events & Filming

For information about events, races, runs, and parades visit the DDD's online event calendar at www.downtownbatonrouge.org/playFestivals.asp. Street closures occur periodically downtown due to events, races, runs, parades, movie filming, and general road maintenance. Road closures are posted online by EBR Department of Public Works Traffic and Engineering Division at www.brgov.com/dept/dpw/traffic. Movie filming location and road closure information can also be obtained through the BR Film Commission's website at www.filmbatonrouge.com.

Transportation

Downtown offers public transit options serviced by the Capital Area Transit System (CATS) and LSU Tiger Trail. CATS also manages the Capitol Park Trolley, offering convenient access to downtown's civic and cultural attractions, as well as, Touchdown Express shuttling football fans from downtown to Tiger Stadium on game days. For available transit routes visit www.downtownbatonrouge.org

Bicycle and pedestrian paths have been and continue to be developed to connect residents to downtown's attractions, services, and workforce opportunities. The Mississippi River Levee path extends from downtown to LSU and Farr Park. This 15 foot wide path includes separate lanes for bicycles and walkers/joggers as well as lighting, seating and water fountains.



Contact

Below you will find contact information for the offices applicable to many downtown residential services, issues, and questions. The Downtown Development District staff is always available to assist whenever possible. Just stop by our office at 247 Florida Street or call 225-389-5520.

For a complete listing of City-Parish Contacts & Services Visit <http://brgov.com/services.asp?GetServ=Residents> Or call (225) 389-3000

Safety Services

Emergency 911

BR Police (Non-Emergency)

Main Office:
9000 Airline Hwy
BR, LA 70815
389-2000

Downtown Office:
201 Third St.
BR, LA 70801
389-3854

www.brgov.com/dept/brpd

EBR Parish Sheriff's Office (Non-Emergency)

Main Office:
8900 Jimmy Wedell
BR, LA 70807
389-5000

www.brgov.com/dept/fire

BR Fire Department (Non-Emergency)

Main Office:
8011 Merle Gustafson
BR, LA 70807
383-1932

www.brgov.com/dept/fire

Mayor's Office of Emergency Preparedness

3773 Harding Blvd.
BR, LA 70807
389-2100

www.brgov.com/dept/oepp

EBR City-Parish Animal Control & Rescue Center

2680 Progress Road
BR, LA 70807
383-1932

www.brgov.com/dept/animal

Utilities

311
City Parish Reporting
System for Infrastructure
or Public Utility Issues
Dial 3-1-1

www.brgov.com/dept/dpw/311

Entergy

Report an Emergency:
1-800-968-8243

Report an Outage or Get
Status:
Text OUT to 368374

Download the Entergy
App at:
www.entropy.com

BR Water

8755 Goodwood Blvd
BR, LA 70806
928-1000

www.brwater.com

Allied Waste Services

Commercial Curbside
Service
788-3800

Recycling

805 Saint Louis St.
Br, LA 70802
389-5194

www.brgov.com/dept/recycle

Cox Communication

1-866-961-0027

ww2.cox.com/residential/home.cox

AT&T

www.att.com

Century Link

1-800-850-9048

www.centurylink.com

Development

BR Downtown Development District

247 Florida St.
BR, LA 70801
389-5520

<http://www.downtownbatonrouge.org>

BR Area Chamber

564 Laurel Street
BR LA 70801
381-7125

www.brac.org

EBR City-Parish Planning Commission

1100 Laurel Street
Suite 104
BR, LA 70802
389-3144

www.brgov.com/Dept/planning

EBR Parish Redevelopment Authority

801 North Blvd.
BR, LA 70802
387-5606

www.ebrra.org/main

EBR City-Parish Office of Community Development

222 Saint Louis St.
Seventh Floor
BR, LA 70802
389-3039

www.brgov.com/dept/ocd

EBR Parish Assessor's Office

Main Office Downtown
222 St. Louis St. Room
126
BR, LA 70802
389-3920

<http://ebrpa.org/>

EBR City-Parish DPW: Permit & Inspection Division

300 North Tenth Street
BR, LA 70802
389-3205

<http://brgov.com/dept/dpw/inspections/>

LA Office of Cultural Development

342-8160

www.crt.state.la.us/culture/

General

Visit Baton Rouge

359 Third Street
BR, LA 70801
383-1825

www.visitbatonrouge.com

Parks & Green Space

EBR Parish Recreation & Park Commission (BREC)

6201 Florida Blvd.
BR, LA 70806
272-9200

www.brec.org

North Boulevard Town Square

222 North Boulevard
BR, LA 70802

www.townsquarebr.org

BREC Convention Street Park

7th Street and
Convention Street
BR, LA 70802

BREC Expressway Park

935 South 11th Street
BR, LA 70802

Repentance Park

River Road. Between
River Center & Old State
Capitol
BR, LA 70802

Capital Park

Capital Grounds: 4th St.
and Spanishtown Road
BR, LA 70802

Lafayette Park

Lafayette Street and
North Boulevard
BR, LA 70802

AZ Young Park
755 Third Street
BR, LA 70802

Arsenal Park
1000 N. 5th Street
BR, LA 70802

Spanish Town Park
1300 Spanish Town Rd.
BR, LA 70802

7th Street Park
7th & North Street
BR, LA 70802

Schools

EBR Parish School System
1050 S. Foster Drive
BR, LA 70806
922-5400

www.ebrps.k12.la.us/

Foreign Language & International Studies Magent (FLAIM)
802 Mayflower
BR, LA 70802
343-9688

First Step Day Care & Learning Center
1020 Main Street
BR, LA 70802
383-1880

Mentorship Academy
339 Florida Street
BR, LA 70801
346-5180

St. James Day School
445 Convention Street
BR, LA 70802
344-0805

www.stjameseds.org

First United Methodist Early Learning Center
930 North Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
387-4229

Churches

Bethel A M E Church
1358 South Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
344-6931

First Baptist Church
529 Convention Street
BR, LA 70802
343-0397

www.fbcbr.org

First Presbyterian Church
763 North Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
387-0617

www.fpcbr.org

First United Methodist Church
930 North Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
383-4777

www.firstmethodist.org

Mount Zion First Baptist Church
356 East Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
383-5401

www.mtzionfirstbaptist.com

New Saint Luke Baptist Church
538 South Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
343-4411

www.stlukesbr.org

St. Agnes Catholic Church
749 East Boulevard
BR, LA 70802
383-4127

www.home.catholicweb.com/stagnes/

St. Joseph Cathedral
412 North Street
BR, LA 70802
387-5928

www.cathedralofstjoseph.org

St. James Episcopal Church
208 North Fourth Street
BR, LA 70802
387-5141

www.stjamesbr.org

Wesley United Methodist Church
544 Government Street
BR, LA 70802
343-8421

www.wesleybr.weebly.com

Transportation

DPW: Traffic & Engineering
Road Closure Listing
389-3246

www.brgov.com/dept/dpw/traffic/

Capital Area Transit System (CATS)
389-8920

www.brcats.com

BR Metropolitan Airport
9430 Jackie Cochran Drive, BR, LA 70807
355-0333

www.flybr.com

Neighborhoods

Office of Neighborhood Services
389-3039 Ext. 106

www.brgov.com/dept/neighbors

Beauregard Town Civic Association

www.beauregardtownbr.org/

Historic Spanish Town Civic Association

www.spanishtownbr.org/

Downtown Baton Rouge Civic Association

Facebook:
<http://goo.gl/GNEjLD>

Health Services

Downtown Physical Rehabilitation
160 North 8th Street
BR, LA 70802
383-5021

Dr. Comeaux (Dentistry)
451 Florida Street
BR, LA 70802
383-4141

Lake Quick Care
307 Third Street
BR, LA 70801
400-9921

Prescriptions to Geaux
313 Third Street
BR, LA 70801
615-8730

Rathmann-Keogh Chiropractic Clinic
753 Government Street
BR, LA 70802
389-9971

Social Services

One Stop Homeless Service Center
153 North 17th Street
BR, LA 70802
338-5800

Library

Library Information Services
231-3750

www.ebrpl.com

River Center Library
Downtown Branch
120 Saint Louis
BR, LA 70802
389-4964

www.ebrpl.com

Arts & Culture

Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge
427 Laurel Street
BR, LA 70801
344-8558

www.artsbr.org

Walls Project
451 Florida Street
Suite 102
BR, LA 70801
344-8558

www.thewallsproject.org

Shaw Center for the Arts
100 Lafayette Street
BR, LA 70801
346-5001

www.shawcenter.org

Manship Theatre
100 Lafayette Street
BR, LA 70801
344-0334

www.manshiptheatre.org

Hartley/Vey Studio & Workshop
100 Lafayette Street
BR, LA 70801
344-0334

www.hartleyveytheatres.org

LSU Museum of Art
100 Lafayette Street
BR, LA 70801
389-7200

www.216.55.169.14/lsu/

Glassell Gallery
100 Lafayette Street
BR, LA 70801
389-7181

www.design.lsu.edu/glassell/

Downtown Weekend Event List
389-5520

www.downtownbatonrouge.org/playWeekend.asp

www.downtownbatonrouge.org/playFestivals.asp

Neighborhoods



Historic Spanish Town

Spanish Town, Baton Rouge's oldest neighborhood, was established in 1805. It's colorful character is reflective of the changing heritage of Louisiana's capital. In order to protect its unique and rich architectural history, the Historic Spanish Town Civic Association established the neighborhood as the "Spanish Town Historic District" with the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Register of Historic Places. This designation requires a formal review of exterior alterations to ensure conformance with the neighborhood's established design guidelines.

Historic Spanish Town Design Guidelines

Planning Commission
1100 Laurel Street
Suite 104
BR, LA 70802
389-3144

www.brgov.com/dept/planning/historic/historic.htm

Historic Spanish Town Civic Association

www.spanishtownbr.org/

Beauregard Town

Beauregard Town was established in 1806 as the second subdivision in Baton Rouge. It was named after Elias Beauregard, a property owner. The original plan of the subdivision included a formal garden with a centralized church and four diagonal streets. The streets remain today and contribute to the neighborhood's historical ambiance.

Beauregard Town Civic Association

www.beauregardtownbr.org/

Downtown

The Central Business District is quickly becoming one of the most desirable places to live downtown and the market is responding to its demand. The IBM development, Commerce Building, Onyx, and 440 on Third, are all multi-use developments that are either planned or under construction; bringing almost 300 additional residential units to the CBD. Current opportunities include One Eleven, The Kress, 232 Third Street, Mayer Building, and Fuqua Building.

Downtown Baton Rouge Civic Association

Facebook:
www.googl/GNEJLD