



# Resident Guide

- cityofjeffersoniowa.org
- Jefferson Matters: A Main Street & Chamber Community
- JeffersonMatters
- JtownMatters

### New Resident Checklist

#### Visit the Welcome Center

Locatedat 201ELincoln Way,theWelcome
Center can connect you with everything you need
to know! Whether you have a question about
where something is located, different kid
programs, how to get involved, or what is offered
here, the Jefferson Matters: Main Street &
Chamber staff at the Welcome Center are always
able to help. Be sure to stop by and get your
Welcome Bag filled with great info, coupons,
swag, and so much more!

### Change Mailing Address

Visitthe Jefferson PostOfficeat106 W Harrison Street or go online to <a href="https://www.usps.com">www.usps.com</a>.

### □ Check on Property Taxes

If you are a homeowner with property taxes not built into a mortgage, please call the Greene County Treasurer at 515-386-5675 to inquire about your property taxes.

### Sign Up for Utilities

- Water, sewer, recycling, and garbage are City
  of Jefferson-run utilities for most residents.
   Visit Jefferson City Hall at 220 N. Chestnut
  Street to set up utilities in person and pay
  deposits. The utility deposit is \$150 and
  needs to be in cash or check form. Please
  bring your ID with you.
- Electricity and gas can be activated by calling Alliant Energy at 1-800-255-4268 or by visiting <u>www.alliantenergy.com</u>.
- Jefferson Telecom can take care of your telephone, internet, and cable needs. Call 515-386-4141 or visit www.jeffersontelecom.com to get started.

### Update Driver's License

The Greene County Treasurer's Office is for Greene County residents to obtain a driver's license. Call 515-386-5675 to make an appointment today.



### **Register Motor Vehicles**

- If you are moving here from another lowa county, by updating your driver's license, your vehicle registration will automatically transfer to Greene County. Be sure to check that your annual registration renewal mailing is indeed sent by Greene County. It is not required that you change out your license plates; however, you can do so for \$5. Call 515-386-5675 with questions. If
- you are moving here from out of state, please visit the Greene County Treasurer's Office located inside the Courthouse at 114 N Chestnut Street in Jefferson.

### Get a Library Card

Visit the Jefferson Public Library at 200 W Lincoln Way. Children (with an adult present) must be 3 or older to sign up for a card. Adults must show a photo ID, proof of current address (if photo ID address is not current), and phone number.

### License Pets

To register pets with the City, please visit City Hall. Proof of rabies vaccination is required.



### **Enroll in Greene County Schools**

Visit <a href="https://www.gccsd.k12.ia.us/page/school-enrollment-registration-resources">https://www.gccsd.k12.ia.us/page/school-enrollment-registration-resources</a> to enroll in the Greene County School District any time of year! For questions or assistance in enrollment please call 515-386-4168.

### Register to Vote

- There are several ways to register to vote in Greene County:
- If you have updated your lowa Driver's License with your current Jefferson address, you can register electronically at http://sos.iowa.gov/.
- You may register to vote in person at the Greene County Auditor's Office located at 114 N.
   Chestnut Street in Jefferson. Please call 515-386-5680 with guestions.

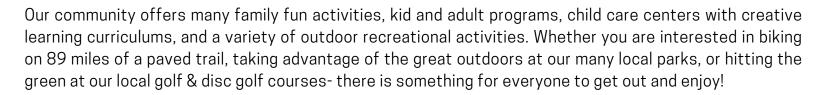


## Welcome to Jefferson!

We are so excited you have decided to make Jefferson your home. We can't wait to have you as part of this progressive community that has rediscovered rural living! As you establish your residency here, we hope you take the time to experience this exuberant community and see why it is an amazing place to "Live Here. Play Here. and Thrive Here!"

Keep your eyes open to the character around every corner, visit our captivating alleys and view our rooftop art when you experience our 168' Mahanay Bell Tower.

Our Courthouse plaza displays creative art sculptures and our many historic buildings share their brick-and-mortar with beautifully painted canvases.



Be sure to relish in our many iconic attractions, rich history, amazing locally owned shops, delicious restaurants, lively events, and get involved with a variety of community lead organizations! With somany to choose from, we know you will be able to find the perfect opportunity to get involved with an organization that aligns with your interests and passion.

This is truly an exciting time to be part of our community. Jefferson has made its mark on the map as a small town, tech hub providing all with high-speed fiber internet, ofering a space for remote workers to thrive, and partnering with Silicon Valley leaders to bring technology education into our schools and community. Our Greene County Community School District has been heavily invesed in providing opportunities for your kids to experience outstanding learning environments, passionate staff, an abundance of extracurricular activities, multiple facets of curriculum, and continuing educational opportunities. Our schools and community are dedicated to giving your kids the ability to learn and grow in a dynamic school district.

We welcome those with an entrepreneurial heart to help grow our economic vitality bybringing new and established businesses to the area. We are also proud of the huge manufacturing and agricultural backbone that has been created within our county over the years, allowing local roots to have a global impact! Greene County consists of six nationally recognized manufacturing companies: American Athletic Inc./Spalding, Bauer Built, B&D Manufacturing, John Deere, Power Lift, and Scranton Manufacturing and Jefferson is home to three large agriculture companies: Landus, NEW Cooperative, and Syngenta. From employing a substantial number of residents to making a positive impact all over the world, these industries enrich the lives of our community.



I am so honored to be the mayor of this vibrant community and hope you'll enjoy your experience as a Jefferson resident as much as we do.

Craig Berry, Mayor of Jefferson



### Codes & Regulations

#### **Snow Removal/Parking:**

Property ownersare expected to remove snow, ice, and accumulations from sidewalks within 24 hours of a weather event. Once there is a one-half inch of snow until snow ceases to fall, there is no parking on any public street, alley, or City-owned street parking.

#### **Lawn & Weed Maintenance:**

Lawns and weedsshouldnot be allowed to grow more than 8 inches on developed properties. Violations will result in a \$130 fee for City-hired maintenance.

Golf Carts & UTVs: Golfcarts/UTVs are allowed to be operated within City limits. Golf carts/UTVs are prohibited on any City street that is a primary road extension through the City, such as Highway 4 or Highway 30. Carts/UTVs are only able to cross these streets. Must have a valid driver's license and must have a slow-moving vehicle sign and bicycle safety flag.

# Important City Information

### Garbage & Recycling

**Curbside solid waste** occurs weekly, blue trash carts must be streetside by 6am. If you are unsure of your trash day, please call City Hall at 515-386-3111. If you are moving to a newly constructed home, please call 515-386-3111 for the delivery of a new blue trash cart.

**Curbside recycling** occurs every other week. Please see the recycling calendar for future dates. All recyclables must be in green carts. If you do not have a green container, please call City Hall at 515-386-3111. Questions about what is recyclable? Click here! Recyclables can also be taken to our recycling drop boxes located at 905 N Cedar Street.

**Free residential dumpsters** are available for use once a year for one week. To reserve a free dumpster, please call City Hall at 515-386-3111 or fill out this form.

**Curbside yard waste happens** the last week of the month starting in April on your normal trash day. Yard waste must be in compostable paper bags, marked with an orange yard waste sticker. Stickers can be bought at City Hall for \$1.00 per sticker. Yard waste can always be dropped at the yard waste site located near 605 W Russell Street, near Daubendiek Park.

### **Building Permits**

Building permits are needed for new constructions, renovations, fences, pools, etc. A building permit form can be filled out <u>here</u>. Please call 515-386-4660 for more information or questions.

### Report a Concern

Report a concern or request information by going to <a href="https://www.cityofjefferson.com/forms">www.cityofjefferson.com/forms</a>. For power and streetlight outages please call Alliant Energy at 1-800-255-4268. For Police or Fire Emergencies, dial 911.

### Local Businesses

Jefferson has a vibrant and growing business community. For more information on local business, download the FREE app called **Jefferson, IA** today!



# Important Phone Numbers

#### **City Numbers:**

Airport: 515-386-4429

City Hall/ General Questions: 515-386-311

• Building/Zoning/Code Compliance: 515-386-4660

• Cemetery: 515-386-3111

Jefferson Matters: Main Street & Chamber: 515-386-2155

• Fire Department: 515-386-3112

• Golf Course: 515-386-4178

• Greene County Rec Center: 515-386-3412

• Greene County Development Corporation: 515-386-8255

Library: 515-386-2835

Maintenance Shed: 515-386-3252

• Police: 515-386-2136

Parks & Rec: 515-386-4173

• PAWS: 515-386-9814

• Recycling: 515-386-3252

Sanitation: 515-386-8260

Swimming Pool: 515-386-9171

Utility Billing: 515-386-311

Water Department: 515-386-2611

• Wastewater Department: 515-386-4711

### **City Amenities:**

City Hall: 220 N Chestnut Street, 515-386-3111

Fire Station: 220 N Chestnut Street, 515-386-3112

• Greene County Community Center: 204 W Harrison Street, 515-386-3412

Greene County Community School District: 101 Ram Drive, 515-386-4168

Jefferson Community Golf Course: 501 Greenwood Road, 515-386-4178

Jefferson Public Library: 200 W Lincoln Way, 515-386-

2835

Police Department: 1005 E Lincoln Way, 515-386-2136

Public Works: 305 E Head, 515-386-3252

• Parks:

• Chautauqua Park

■ Playground equipment, shelter house, basketball court

Daubendiek Park

Walking trail, bathrooms, shelter house, disc golf course

Head Park

■ Playground equipment, shelter house, bathrooms, sand volleyball pit

Kelso Park

Playground equipment, shelter house, soccer field, bathrooms

Russell Park

Playground equipment, basketball hoops, tennis court, shelter house, bathrooms

Washington Park

Playground equipment, basketball hoops, shelter house, bathrooms

### **County Numbers:**

• Assessor: 515-386-5660

• Auditor: 515-386-5680

Drivers License: 515-386-5675

Motor Vehicle: 515-386-5675

• Recorders: 515-386-5670

Sheriff: 515-386-2136

Treasurer: 515-386-5675

Voter Registration: 515-386-5680

