Nestled in the rolling hills of North Carolina’s Piedmont, Stanly County, blessed with a moderate climate and untouched by urban sprawl, is an area rich in historical, natural and recreational assets.

The county seat of Albemarle boasts a variety of beautiful and diverse neighborhoods, both historic and new. It also boasts a variety of parks and recreational facilities. The historic downtown area is a gem of beautifully maintained and restored old buildings, and is home to restaurants, retail businesses, and antique stores.

The beauty of Stanly County’s countryside, lakes, ancient Uwharrie Mountain range and the nearby Uwharrie National Forest provide excellent opportunities to enjoy the outdoors while nearby cities provide outstanding sports and cultural amenities in a convenient driving distance.

The county boasts a wide variety of recreational pursuits that include gold-mining, golf, wineries, art galleries, a fine theater, small town cruise-ins and the unique entertainment offered by an old-fashioned drive-in theater.

The jewel in the crown of Stanly County’s countryside is Morrow Mountain State Park. Over 400,000 visitors come here every year from far and wide to enjoy camping, hiking, horseback riding, boating, swimming, fishing and superb views.

Lake Tillery and Badin Lake were both created by dams on the Yadkin/Pee Dee River and offer miles of un-spoilt shoreline, boating and superb fishing.

Lake Tillery covers over 5,000 acres with 104 miles of shoreline and has a maximum depth of 70 feet, while Badin Lake covers an area of 5,350 acres and has 115 miles of shoreline and a maximum depth of 200 feet.

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On behalf of the Stanly County EDC we welcome you to Stanly County and invite you to consider the many strategic advantages a business location in Stanly County offers. As a part of the growing Charlotte Region, with roots in the manufacturing and agribusiness sectors, we pride ourselves on our ability to offer easy access to the outstanding services, business resources and amenities available in this market as well as those available in North Carolina’s other major metropolitan areas nearby. Our cities, towns and communities offer you an exceptional quality of life and a variety of different living environments. Combine this with the advantages of lower real estate costs, a lower cost of living, a skilled and motivated workforce and a supportive and cooperative business climate and you have an unmatched ability to make your business thrive in Stanly County. Our office can help you find the answers to your questions about your particular infrastructure, real estate and workforce development needs and help connect you to the other local, regional, and state resources you need to get your business up and running. We look forward to exploring how we can help your business take advantage of all that Stanly County has to offer.

Paul Stratos, Director, Stanly County Economic Development Commission

On behalf of the Stanly County Chamber of Commerce, I want to welcome you to Stanly County. The Stanly County community is a great place to live, work, and play! Our county is uniquely located in a dynamic, growing region with many opportunities for a fine quality of life, recreation, and business development. The Chamber of Commerce offers services and information to support a wide variety of business and visitor needs. Our organization consists of more than 700 members, which include businesses, industries, professionals, non-profit groups, and individuals, all with the same goal in mind. That goal is to support our community and enhance our economic development and prosperity. Please visit our website at stanlychamber.org and you will quickly see all that Stanly County has to offer. We are proud of our area and hope to see you soon.

Kathy L. Almond, President and CEO, Stanly County Chamber of Commerce
The school system in Stanly County, North Carolina is a source of pride for local residents and the business community. It is one of the few counties that boast an excellent public school system, a community college and a university.

In addition to public schools, including Gray Stone Day School, a public charter high school on the Pfeiffer University campus, our county also gives parents several private-school and early-childhood options. Our community's teachers have earned a reputation for taking a deep personal interest in the success of their students. Our local school administrators understand the needs of the business community, and tailor programs to ensure that graduates are ready to become successful employees.

Our state was a pioneer in the development of customized job training and Stanly Community College works with local employers to develop training specific to their needs.

Pfeiffer University is a private, liberal arts university affiliated with the United Methodist Church. Its traditional undergraduate campus is in the village of Misenheimer, approximately 40 miles northeast of Charlotte. With additional locations in Charlotte and the Raleigh area, the University has a truly diverse student body of over 2,000 students representing 39 countries and 43 states.

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**Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.**

—WILLIAM BUTLER YEATS—
By focusing on patient-centered care and the community’s overall health and wellness, Stanly Regional Medical Center is dedicated to providing exceptional care to its patients throughout the region. For over 60 years, Stanly Regional has distinguished itself as a state-of-the-art community medical center with a growing number of patients seeking the medical center’s unique blend of expertise and personal attention. Affiliated with Carolinas HealthCare System and accredited by The Joint Commission, Stanly Regional’s main campus is a 119-bed medical facility. Outside of the medical center, services and campuses reach further than ever before with access to physician offices, home health care, a skilled nursing facility and durable medical equipment. With a staff of professionals using the latest medical treatments and technology, Stanly Regional offers advancements in cancer treatment, imaging, orthopedics, rehabilitation, women’s services and more.

A Physician For You...

The most distinguished physicians in the country appreciate the quality of care that comes from both continued learning and careful listening. With this perspective for their role in our communities, the physicians of Stanly Regional have become active, responsive and trusted partners in the lives of generations of area residents. Over one hundred primary care and specialists call our area home. As specialists with in-depth training and skills, they understand the benefits of balancing advanced medical technology with compassionate care. They find inspiration from each other and the patients they serve. Through their dedication, our medical staff demonstrates that they are committed to serving with greatness - offering their passion for excellence to all who entrust them with their health and medical care.

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(704) 984-4000
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Stanly Medical Services - Office Locations

Albemarle Medical Services
105 Yadkin St., Suite 301, Albemarle
(704) 982-9144

Albemarle Orthopedics & Sports Medicine
105 Yadkin St., Suite 101, Albemarle
(704) 983-5195

Albemarle Pulmonary Services
929 North Second St., Suite 205, Albemarle
(704) 983-1800

Albemarle Surgical Associates
105 Yadkin St., Suite 203, Albemarle
(704) 982-0161

Locust Medical Services
103 Stanly Parkway, Suite A, Locust
(704) 888-0580

Mt. Gilead Medical Services
202 N. Main St., Mt. Gilead
(910) 439-1573

Norwood Medical Services
269 South Main St., Norwood
(704) 474-3171

Oakboro Medical Services
112 East First St., Oakboro
(704) 485-3319

Richfield Medical Services
243 Highway 49 North, Richfield
(704) 463-5003

Stanly Gastroenterology & Digestive Health Center
923 North Second St., Suite 204, Albemarle
(704) 986-6662

Stanly Medical Services-Women’s Services
105 Yadkin St., Suite 102, Albemarle
(704) 982-1590

Stanly Pediatric Services
105 Yadkin St., Suite 303, Albemarle
(704) 982-2683

Stanly Surgical Weight Loss Center
923 North Second St., Suite 205, Albemarle
(704) 982-0648

Stanly Urology Services
1009 North Sixth St., Albemarle
(704) 982-2800

Troy Medical Services
835 Albemarle Rd., Troy
(910) 572-2309
Agriculture, supported by agri-business, is the number one industry in Stanly County. We rank high in the state for local beef cattle and field crop production.

One field crop, cotton, is a source for North Carolina manufactured jeans, bed sheets and shirts. From October through December, Rolling Hills Gin built in 1996 to service Stanly County farmers and surrounding counties, processes cotton 14 hours a day, 6 days a week.

Viticulture is growing and wine from Stanly County’s three wineries is increasing in sales as well as increasing tourism throughout the area. The local foods movement is also growing and Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is becoming popular throughout the county. The county also boasts a strong 4-H Youth Development program for ages 5 through 18 years of age.

The County Center of NC Cooperative Extension provides citizens with research-based knowledge through the land-grant University system including NC State University and NC A&T State Universities. Over the years this has helped improve farming practices and protect the environment while helping maintain a viable community.

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