

Ronnie Erwin
Mayor

Jerry Gann
Vice Mayor

Sherry Green
Alderman

Senna Mosley
Alderman

Dennis Waldron
Alderman

Mark Moshea
City Administrator



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One of the *fastest* growing cities in Tennessee

The Mayor and Aldermen

The City of La Vergne, incorporated in 1972, is a general law charter municipality. City government is conducted under the mayor-alderman system. The mayor serves a four-year term and is elected at-large. The city council is composed of four members, which are elected for staggered four-year terms. They are also at-large.

Profile

During much of the 1990s, La Vergne had the good fortune of being the fastest growing city in the state of Tennessee. Now claiming more than 28,000 people, the City has one of the largest industrial parks in the state. It also can boast one of the largest subdivisions in the state.

With 21 square miles – 15 of which are inhabited – the City also counts 21 miles of shoreline in its boundaries. With Interstate 24 running through the city limits (Exit 64) – and Interstates 40 and 65 close by -- location is a benefit to the city and attributes to its large number of internationally known businesses such as Ingram Content Group, Ingram Entertainment, Waldenbooks, Cinram, Hot Topics and Bridgestone/Firestone.

Being within 500 miles (a one-day’s drive) on the population center of the US is also a great benefit to the city and its businesses. We have a trade area of more than 147,000 people and a five-mile driving radius of 70,000 people.



Population

- 1990 –7,499
- 1994 –11,088
- 1996—14,275
- 1998—16,001
- 2000—18,687
- 2003—21,561
- 2006—25,278

Look who else calls La Vergne “home” !!!

- A.O. Smith
- AAA Cooper Transportation
- Allied Binders & Packaging
- Alorica
- Anderson News Company
- Armstrong Transfer & Storage
- Atlantis Plastics, Inc.
- Automation nth
- Automation NTH LLC
- Bandit Lites
- Borders Group
- Bridgestone/Firestone
- Burgon Tool Steel
- Cardinal Health Inc.
- Chromalox Inc.
- Cinram
- Colbert Manufacturing Company
- Cold Chain Technologies
- Conard Logistics
- Derby Fabricating Inc
- EMD Music, Inc.
- Empact Medical Services, Inc.
- Fanuc World
- Franke Commercial Systems
- Franke Contract Group
- G & C Industries
- GENCO
- Genco Distributing
- Gerald R. Page Corp.
- Good L Corp
- Hagemeyer
- Haynes Publications Inc.
- Heavy Duty Parts
- Hennessy Industries Inc
- Hollywood Video
- Hood Distribution
- Hoover Company, Inc.
- Hoover Company, Inc.
- Hot Topic
- Industrial Mechanical & Electrical Corp
- Ingram Content Group
- Ingram Entertainment Holdings
- Ingram Periodicals, Inc.
- Integrated Logistics Solutions
- Interchange Federal
- Intermetro Industries, Inc.
- Irby - Stuart C. Irby Co.
- K&S Wiring Systems
- Lightning Source
- Metromont Prestress Company
- Millwood
- Mitsuchi Corporation of America
- Music City Logistics, Inc.
- Music City Optical Media Inc.
- National Distribution & Contracting, Inc.
- Nifco American Corp.
- Nissan Trading Corp.
- Old Dominion Freight Line Inc.
- Overnite Transportation Company
- Ozburn-Hessey Logistics
- Package Supply & Equipment
- Packaging Fulfillment
- Palm International, Inc.
- Parthenon Metal Works
- Penske Logistics
- Perfect Equipment Corp
- Pratt Industries
- Pratt Industries
- Pro-Tech Industries, Inc.
- Quality Industries
- SAIA Motor Freight Line
- Shelter Distribution
- Singer Sewing Company
- Southwestern/Great American
- Steelsummit Holdings Inc.
- Supply Technologies
- Tennessee Farmers Cooperative
- Thompson Machinery
- Titan Plastics, Inc.
- Tobutsu America Corporation
- Trinidad/Benham Corporation
- United States Cold Storage



- 2004—La Vergne Middle School opens.
- 2006—Population officially at 25,278.
- 2007—La Vergne Lake Elementary School opened.
- 2008—Population officially 26,247

Old Timers’ Day



2008—26,427
2017—45,000 (total build out estimate)

La Vergne is a part of the Nashville MSA.



Important Numbers:

- City Hall, 793-6295
- Mayor (Ronnie Erwin), 793-6295
- City Administrator (Mark Moshea) 793-6295
- Public Works (Guy Patterson, Director), 793-9891
- Codes, 213-2624
- Police (Ted Boyd, Chief), 793-7744
- Finance and Billing (Phyllis Rogers, Director), 793-6295
- Water Billing, (Mary Martin, supervisor) 793-5932
- Library, 793-7303 ()
- Seniors Center, 793-3048 (Donna Toombs, program coordinator)
- Human Resources (Kathi Payne, Director), 793-6295
- Parks Department, 793-3224 (Robin Grubb, Director)
- Tax Department, 793-6295 (Evie Rutledge, Collector)
- Stormwater Department, 793-7339 (Katie Kline, Engineer)
- City Planner (Grant Green) 213-8702
- City Engineer, (Kyle Brown) 213-2624
- Channel 3 (Jerry Davenport), 793-6295
- Old Timers’ Day info, 287-8690 or 793-3224

Non-Emergency Numbers:

- Police, 793-7744
- Fire, 793-6223
- Rescue, 793-6022
- Rutherford County Ambulance, 898-7790
- Rutherford County Sheriff, 898-7770
- CrimeStoppers, 459-CLUE (459-2583)
- Animal Control, 898-7740
- Election Commission, 898-7743
- License Plates, 459-9692



The Old Timers’ Day parade is a popular attraction for residents and out-of-towners.

Emissions Information, 399-8995
Driver’s License, 898-8037
Rutherford Co. Health Dept., 355-6175
Post Office, 793-3806
Chipper Service, 793-9891

Utilities, etc.:

Cable--

Comcast, 244-5900

Convenience Center—

Sand Hill Road, 793-5159 (closed
Mon./Thurs.)

Electric—

Middle Tennessee Electric Service, 893-7570

Nashville Electric Service, 736-6900

Gas—

Smyrna Gas, 355-5740

Nashville Gas, 734-0665

Phone—

TDS Telecom, 793-7741

BellSouth, 557-6500

Public Works—

793-9891

Water—

La Vergne Water Plant, Bon Aqua Drive, 793-6536

La Vergne Water/Sewer Billing Department (customer service), 793-5932

Government:

Insurance rating – 5

Zoning regulations: yes

Planning Commission: yes

Board of Zoning Appeals: yes

Industrial Development Corp.: No

Senior Citizen’s Advisory Board: yes

Library Board: yes

Beer Board: yes

- 1972—City incorporated, council elected, Vester Waldron named first mayor.
- 1974—La Vergne Council increased to five members
- 1976—Roy Waldron School built.
- Late 1970’s—Senior Citizens Club established.
- Late 1970’s—Library established.
- 1980—Current Post Office opened.
- 1982—La Vergne Tennessee and Lavergne France twinned as sister cities.
- 1986-89—La Vergne on-line with Metro Nashville sewer system.
- 1987—La Vergne name officially changed from one word to two (La Vergne).
- 1988—La Vergne High School built.
- 1988—City changes charter to Alder manic style.
- 1989—Property tax initiated.
- 1990—La Vergne population officially 7,499.
- 1993—La Vergne Water Plant opened.
- 1994--La Vergne population officially 11,088.
- 1996--La Vergne population officially 14,275.
- 1997—Cedar Grove School built.
- 1998--La Vergne population officially 16,001.
- 1999—Rock Springs School built.
- 2000—La Vergne population officially 18,687.
- 2003—La Vergne population officially 21,561.



- La Vergne.
- 1820—Roulhac family moved to La Vergne area.
- 1837--James B. Buchanan named postmaster at Buchananville (what is to later be La Vergne).
- 1852—Rouhac dies, Postmaster names post office the “La Vergne Post Office.”
- 1860—City first incorporated.
- 1862—At least seven Civil War-related battles/skirmishes fought in the City.
- 1862—Most of city burned during Civil War.
- 1881—City incorporation rescinded.
- 1900—Two tornadoes rip through La Vergne, destroying female academy, school for boys and more.
- 1904—First telephone in La Vergne.
- 1913—Telephone co-op formed.
- 1923—Electricity reaches La Vergne.
- 1945—Tennessee Farmer’s Co-op opens.
- 1959—Men’s Club organized.
- 1961—La Vergne Utility District organized.
- 1961—La Vergne Primary School built.
- 1963—La Vergne Lions Club organized.
- 1965—La Vergne Fire Department established.
- 1968—La Vergne calls to Smyrna no longer long distance.
- 1970—La Vergne Rescue Squad established.
- 1971—Firestone (later Bridgestone) opened.

- *Beer sales: yes*
- *Liquor by the drink: yes*
- *Packaged liquor: yes*
- *Economic Development Committee: yes*
- *Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee: yes*
- *Greenway Committee: yes*

Taxes:

- *Property—*
- *Local \$.50 per \$100 assessed value*
- *County \$2.74 per \$100 assessed value*
- *County Sales Tax – 2.75%*
- *State Sales Tax – 7%*
- *Tennessee does not have an income tax.*

Police Department:

Ted Boyd, Chief
5093 Murfreesboro Road
793-7744

Patrols:

- *Motorcycle*
- *Car*
- *K-9*
- *4-wheeler*

Programs:

- *DARE (Lt. Lynn Ruch)*
- *Explorers (Sgt. Carl McMillen)*
- *PAL (Sgt. Gerry Howse, 287-8730)*



- *Neighborhood Watch*
- *National Night Out*
- *Citizens Police Academy*
- *Kid ID program*
- *radKids*
- *Burn Permits/Regulations issued 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Monday through Friday*

City Court: Held at 3 p.m. each Wed. in the City’s Multi-Purpose Bldg. behind



City Hall near the ball fields.

Fire Department:

James Gafford, Chief

793-6223 (Station One)

793-9115 (Station Two)

355-3000 (Station Three)

3 stations

3 pumper trucks

2 squirt trucks

1 platform truck

1 service company truck

19 full-time fire fighters in city

19 state-certified firefighters

19 Vehicle extrication technicians

4 EMTs

1 EMS First Responders

Public Works:

Guy Patterson

793-9891

148 International Blvd.

Street Department

Sewer Department

Chipper Service (runs throughout the year)

Stormwater Department

Fleet maintenance

Codes Department:

213-2624

5089 Murfreesboro Road

Codes Department

Engineering Department

Mapping/GIS Department

Parks, recreational facilities:

Robin Grubb, Director



The popular skate park opened in the spring of 2006.

The City was re-incorporated in 1972 and Vester Waldron was chosen as the first mayor of the City. Others who have served as the town’s mayor include: A.C. Puckett, Jack Moore, Shirley Winfree, Mike Webb, Sherry Green and current mayor Ronnie Erwin.

In 1990, the U.S. Census showed that the city had 7,499 people living within the limits. In 1994, the number had grown to 11,088. A special election in 1998, showed 16,001 people in the City. The Census 2000 numbers showed that La Vergne had 18,687 people residing in the city at the time of the census. That’s nearly a 150 percent growth over a 10-year period. A special census in 2003 showed the city had 21,561 people while a 2006 special census upped that number to 25,278. In 2008, there were 26,427 people.

With the population growth, and the good fortune of being in the right location for business, La Vergne has become **THE** place for business and industry to locate during the past few years. Hollywood Video, Ingram Book Company and Ingram Entertainment Company, Bridgestone, and other national and international companies currently call La Vergne home.

La Vergne is centrally located in the country, being a day’s drive from approximately 75 percent of the population in the U.S. Interstate 24 runs through the city and Interstates 65, 40 and state road 840 are within 10 miles from the city limits. That, plus the city’s proximity to major urban areas, makes it the place that residents and businesses want to call home.

From humble beginnings more than 200 years ago, La Vergne has become the one of the fastest growing cities in Tennessee and the country. Located between Nashville and Murfreesboro, La Vergne’s small-town feel with big city amenities offers everything anyone could want. That’s why we say, “La Vergne: It’s What



A brief history

Just because La Vergne celebrated its 36th anniversary in 2008 doesn't mean it's a new town.

The history of the City goes back to the 1700's when the ancestors of some of La Vergne's current residents settled in the area to begin their new life. The man the city was named after, Francois Leonard Gregorie de Roulhac de lavergne, eventually moved to Tennessee from France. He lived on the land, often turning his cattle onto what he reportedly termed as "la vergne." Many historians have translated that to mean "the green" -- as in green pasture -- and say that's how the town got its name.

Others however, say that the town was named La Vergne because of Roulhac's family name. However the name came to be, the United States Post Office officially gave the city its name the same day that Roulhac died in 1852.

In late 1862, as a result of a Civil War battle, most of La Vergne was burned. During the war, both the Union and the Confederacy held the City at one point or another.

La Vergne was first incorporated Feb. 28, 1860 but the incorporation was rescinded in 1881, because -- since the Civil War -- no city officials had been elected and there weren't enough adults to let the town organize a Board of Mayor and Alderman and town constitution.

From 1881 to 1958, La Vergne was a small farming community with a population of under 1,000 people. What turned La Vergne around and headed in its present direction was a number of things including a public water system, the Men's Club and a genuine effort by community members to speak as a group.

793-3224

294 Sand Hill Road (includes building and pavilion rentals)

- Veteran's Memorial Park, 115 Floyd Mayfield Drive
- Bicentennial Park, behind La Vergne City Hall/the La Vergne Library
- Mankin Park, on Mankin Drive, off Jefferson Pike
- Lake Forest Park, Hollanddale Road
- Civic Auditorium, 283 Old Nashville Highway
- Multi-Purpose Building, 5093 M'boro Road
- Heritage Valley Park, 171 Fergus Road

Baseball, pee wee, and softball fields

Football field

Soccer Fields

In-line hockey rink

Skate Park

Basketball courts

Tennis Courts

Playground equipment

Walking trails (greenway system)

Volleyball court (sand)

Neighborhood parks

Picnic areas/grills

Green space



Youth programs are popular at both Veteran's Memorial Park and the La Vergne Library.

Library:

Lorna Cripps, Children's Librarian

5063 Murfreesboro Road

793-7303, phone

793-7307, fax

70,000+ books, videos, etc.

31,000+ patrons with cards

Strong Children's and Adult programs

Education:

High Schools:

La Vergne High School
Dr. Melvin Daniels
principal
9-12 grades
250 Wolverine Trail
793-3515 phone
793-3500 fax

Middle School

La Vergne Middle School
Dirk Ash, principal
6-8 grades
382 Stones River Road
904-3877 phone
790-3878 fax

Rock Springs Middle School
Dr. Pat Essary, principal
6-8 grades
3301 Rock Springs Road
904-3825 phone
904-3826 fax

Elementary:

Roy Waldron
Dr. Polly Pewitt, principal
3-5 grades
125 Floyd Mayfield Dr.
793-7738 phone
793-7797 fax

La Vergne Lake
Jeff McCann, principal
K-5 grades
201 David's Way
904-6730

Rock Springs Elementary



La Vergne children play while they listen to readers during the Library's Babies and Books.

Excellence in Water and Waste Water Services, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2000).

Excellence in Communications, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2000).

Excellence in Parks and Recreation, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2000).

Excellence in Aging Programs, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2000).

Wayne Hansard Award of excellence in parks maintenance given to Parks Maintenance Supervisor Cecil Painter. Given by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association (2000).

Four-Star Renovated Facility Award for Seniors Center renovation. Given by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association (2000).

Excellence in Transportation, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2001).

Excellence in Planning, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council — shared with Smyrna for joint project (2001).

Four-Star Renovated Facility Award for the Civic Auditorium renovation. Given by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association (2002).

Excellence in Parks and Recreation from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2002).

Excellence in Public Safety, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2002).

Excellence in Economic Development, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2004).

Excellence in Public Safety, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council, (2004).

Four-Star Renovated Facility Award for Mankin Park renovation. Given by the Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association (2005).

Excellence in Public Safety, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2005).

Excellence in Communications, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2006).

Excellence in Parks and Recreation, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2006).

Excellence in Aging Programs, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2006).

Excellence in Water and Waste Water Services, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2006).

Excellence in Aging Programs, Greater Nashville Regional Council (2008).

Excellence in Public Safety Programs (two programs), Greater Nashville Regional Council (2008).

Excellence in Parks Programs, Greater Nashville Regional Council (2008).



Campgrounds: 1
Clinics: 3
Dentists: 2
Chiropractor: 1
Boat docks: 2

Percy Priest Lake:

La Vergne has more than 21 miles of coast-line, bordering Percy Priest Lake.

Two islands in the lake are included in La Vergne's city limits.

Two public boat docks – Hurricane Creek and Poole's Knob – lead to the lake. Youth Incorporated Ranch, a camp for young people, is also on the shores of the lake.

The lake is governed by the TWRA rules and regulations.

• The lake is man-made (it was opened in 1969) by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Honors and Awards:

Excellence in Financial Reporting Government Financial Officers Association, (1995-2006).

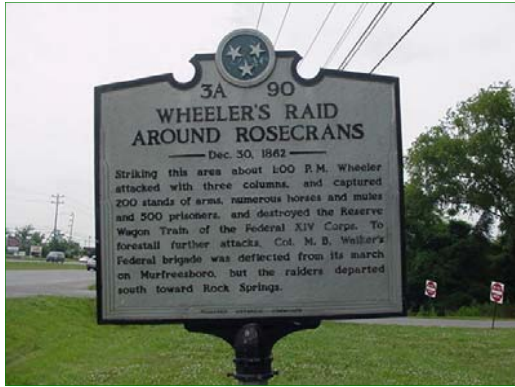
J.R. Fleming Award for "Outstanding Water Treatment Plant" (1997).

Excellence in Transportation, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council — shared with Rutherford County and Smyrna for joint project (1998).

Environmental Award for La Vergne Greenways, Southern Area Business Council of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce (1999).

Hometown Leadership Award (given to then Mayor Mike Webb) from the National Center for Small Communities and Wal-Mart (2000).

Excellence in Public Safety, from the Greater Nashville Regional Council (2000).



Steven Lewis, principal
K-5 grades
1000 Waldron Road
904-3820 phone
904-3821 fax

Cedar Grove Elementary
Mark Gullion, principal
K-5 grades
304 Chaney Road
907-3777 phone
907-3760 fax

Primary:

La Vergne Primary School
Angela Thomas-Maupin, principal
K-2 grades
220 Stones River Road
793-3432 phone
793-5952 fax

Rutherford County Colleges:

Middle Tennessee State University (Murfreesboro), 898-2300
Web site: www.mtsu.edu
Motlow State Community College (Smyrna campus), 355-7404
Web Site:
www.mscc.cc.tn.us

Chamber of Commerces:

Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce, 793-5444
Carrie Smith, La Vergne Representative
Web Site : www.rutherfordchamber.org
Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, 743-3000
Web Site : www.nashvillechamber.com



radKids safety program for kids is just one of the activities offered by the local PAL program.



Climate:

Average Temperature:

- Annual -- 57.1°
- January – 36.4°
- July – 78.8°

Annual Average Precipitation – 53.75”

Civic Clubs:

- La Vergne Rotary, Mike Slinker, President, 738-8883
- La Vergne Lions Club, Les Brown, 584-3757



The City-owned chipper will come to your home to chip branches and more. Call Public Works to schedule a time.

Workforce:

- Total Labor Force in La Vergne – 25,000+
- Total Labor Force in Labor Market Area – 1,000,000 plus

Transportation:

Air Service:

- Smyrna Airport (2 miles)
- Nashville International Airport (10 miles)

Both have rental car capabilities

Highways:

- Federal –
- I-24 (goes through city limits)
- I-65 (13 miles)
- I-40 (15 miles)
- State –
- 41/70 (Murfreesboro Road, goes through city)
- 840 (10 miles)

Motor Freight:

Terminals – 12

Railroads:

CSX Transportation Railroad

Public transportation:

Relax and Ride bus service (Nashville to Murfreesboro), van pool, car pool, coordinated through the Regional Transportation Authority, (862-8833).

Banks:

- Regions
- First Tennessee Bank
- SunTrust
- Southeast Financial Credit Union
- ATMs located in convenience stores around town

Churches:

- 30 Protestant
- 1 Catholic (in Smyrna)

Media:

Newspapers—

- Tennessean, Nashville (daily)
- Rutherford A.M. Tennessean supplement —(bi-weekly)
- Daily News Journal, Murfreesboro (daily)
- Murfreesboro Post
- Many ethnic newspapers, radio and TV shows also exist
- Many papers available on-line
- Many area magazines also available

Radio—

- WMOT, WGNS among others in Nashville area

TV—

- ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX, PBS, other independent stations
- La Vergne Gov't Access (Channel 3)

Misc:

- Restaurants: 25+ sit down and fast food
- Hotels/motels: 5



La Vergne offers a small town feel with big city amenities.