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Universal Reference Publications announces the Seventh Edition of *America's Top-Rated Smaller Cities*

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Universal Reference Publications, an imprint of Grey House Publishing, is proud to announce the publication of the Seventh Edition of *America's Top-Rated Smaller Cities*. This brand new edition offers current, comprehensive statistical information in one easy-to-use source on 111 smaller cities that have been cited as the best for business and living in the United States. Conveniently arranged by city, this informative reference allows readers to see, at a glance, a concise social, business, economic, demographic and environmental profile of each city, including brief evaluative comments.

Each chapter begins with a City Background combining history, current events, city environment, politics, employment and cultural offerings. Cities that have been featured in previous editions have revised and updated City Backgrounds, including significant changes from recent years.

Next comes the Rankings section, which is much larger than that of the previous edition. It features rankings from more than 50 sources on a wide range of topics, including: Where to Retire, America's Most Wired Cities and Towns, Top Real Estate Markets, Best Cities to Earn and Save Money, Best Places for Business and Career and many more.

Following the Rankings section is the Business Environment section. This section contains 33 statistical tables displaying business-related data such as facts and figures on city finances, population demographics, income, employment and taxes.

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The final section of each chapter covers the Living Environment. This section contains 35 tables with data related to housing, healthcare, education, recreation and environmental climate, among others.

America's Top-Rated Smaller Cities includes five appendices that provide additional information about each city. The first is a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) Appendix, which includes the counties that make up each city's MSA and are listed in alphabetical order by city. The second is a Counties Appendix with an alphabetical listing of the featured cities and the county in which each is located. The Chambers of Commerce and Economic Development Organizations Appendix features listings, in alphabetical order by city, of contact information for each city's Chamber of Commerce and/or Economic Development Organization. The fourth Appendix covers State Departments of Labor and Employment and contains further economic and employment data, along with contact information for these State Departments. The fifth and final Appendix contains Comparative Statistics, which puts each city side-by-side for a comparison over 250 variables in 42 tables. These comparisons offer an overview of the city and a general geographical profile.

A free CD-ROM is available upon a paid order for this edition.

America's Top-Rated Smaller Cities is bigger and better than ever in this 2008/2009 edition. It is designed for a wide audience: businesspeople and private individuals, retirees and parents, government workers, market researchers, real estate consultants, urban planners and students, and all will find that *America's Top-Rated Smaller Cities'* unique and comprehensive set of data and statistics will help them locate essential information fast and aid in the making of important decisions. This is the definition of a valuable resource, and it will be a much-used addition to libraries of any size.

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