



Expat Essentials

Living in Charlotte,
North Carolina

\\ Your Bite-Sized Relocation Guide

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Charlotte, North Carolina; where southern charm meets stunning landscapes. Ditch the crowded cityscape and embrace the **laid-back lifestyle** of the Tar Heel State. Beyond the picturesque scenery, North Carolina boasts a diverse economy with **thriving industries** like biotechnology, finance, and tourism. As a hub for finance, technology, and healthcare, Charlotte pulsates with ambition, attracting top talent and **offering diverse career paths**. From the buzzing energy of tech startups to the established **presence of Fortune 500 companies**, the opportunities here are as dynamic as the city itself.

Finances

While some major cities might pinch your wallet, Charlotte offers a refreshing change. Compared to other bustling hubs, **the Queen City boasts a comfortable cost of living**. From groceries and utilities to transportation and dining, you'll likely find yourself pleasantly surprised by the lower costs compared to other major cities. Unlike some states with hefty sales taxes, North Carolina also **boasts a moderate 6.25% rate**, leaving you to keep more of your hard-earned cash to spend on exploring Charlotte's vibrant restaurants, shops, and entertainment scene.



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North Carolina boasts a **6.25% tax rate**

Career Opportunities

Charlotte's dynamic property and real estate scene encompass office towers, bustling industrial parks, and thriving multifamily developments, all **hungry for your cost-saving skill set**. Cost managers, especially those with unique experience in niche property types like data centres, historical renovations, and sustainable projects, are like gold dust in this Queen City. This talent shortage creates a **golden opportunity for expats** to leverage their international experience and expertise, commanding **attractive salaries** for their contributions to these complex projects.



Housing

From charming bungalows in Myers Park to sleek condos in South End, **Charlotte's housing market offers diverse options** for families and single expats alike. Families can seek the peaceful haven of SouthPark with its excellent schools and parks or thrive in Ballantyne's modern suburbs. Single expats, meanwhile, can soak up the artistic energy of NoDa, enjoy the upscale scene of South End, or find a young professional vibe in FreeMoreWest.

Be prepared to provide additional documentation such as proof of employment, visa status, and financial statements. Understanding landlord-tenant laws and any expat-specific regulations can be tricky. **But not to worry**, the experienced team at Capstone America is well-versed in supporting expats through international relocations and can advise you on navigating these requirements smoothly.



Visas



Although North Carolina itself has no specific visa requirements, you'll still need a valid US visa to live and work. There are various types of visas available, each with its own eligibility requirements and application process. Consider exploring options like **H-1B (skilled workers)**, **family-based visas** should you already have loved ones in the US or a Green Card sponsored by your new employer.

With years of experience relocating expats to the USA, Capstone America can expertly guide you through the process, recommending suitable visa options based on your unique situation and ensuring a smooth transition to your new life in Charlotte.



Ready to embark on your **Charlotte** adventure?