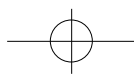
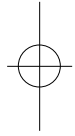
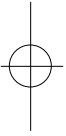
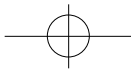
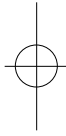
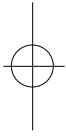




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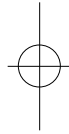
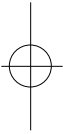
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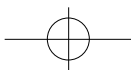


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Introduction

Every week, scores of families move to the Triangle from other parts of the country and world. For many, this move is more than a vocational one. When asked about why they have chosen the Triangle, newcomers and long-time residents alike cite the Triangle's reputation as a wonderful place for raising children as a major factor in their decision. Affordable housing, good schools and abundant cultural and community resources all earn the Triangle high marks as an environment for families.

KidPlaces is a comprehensive guide that will introduce families to the many resources of the Triangle area. Whether you are searching for activities in your neighborhood or wish to journey out and explore other areas of the Triangle; browse through the pages of this book and you are sure to find something for everyone.

Here are a few suggestions on how to use *KidPlaces*:

- Refer to the map at the front of each chapter for approximate locations, but call your destination for detailed driving instructions.
- Invest in a detailed map of the Triangle (or pick one up from a realtor) to supplement the general map provided.
- Use the phone numbers listed with each entry to call ahead to confirm hours and fees (which are sometimes changeable).
- Use the index at the back to find a particular place, activity, or resource.
- Keep a copy of the book in your car so you are always ready to explore new activities wherever you may be.

