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Bowie Makes MONEY's Best Places to Live List

The City of Bowie was named to *MONEY's Best Places to Live in the United States* this week. Coming in at one hundred (#100), Bowie joins other places around the country where the quality of life is good and the housing is affordable. The magazine evaluates data on economic health, cost of living, ethnic and economic diversity, public education, income, health and safety, ease of living, and amenities and conducts interviews in order to come up with the list. Bowie last made the list in 2014.

Bowie Mayor G. Frederick Robinson is not surprised by the honor. "We're proud that *MONEY* and others are catching on to what we have known for a long time --Bowie is one of the most diverse, family friendly places you will ever find to live."

Bowie has received several other recognitions this year including being selected as *Maryland's Best City* by *USA Today*, which cited Bowie's well-educated population, low poverty rate, and easy access to high paying jobs in the region as factors in its decision.

Homesnacks.net is an organization that compiles data from many public sources into "bite-sized" studies to evaluate communities across the US. They look at the places with "low crime, great jobs, worthy salaries, affordable housing, and solid schools." It named Bowie as the third best place to live in Maryland earlier this year.

Bowie's relatively low crime rate also earned it honors on:

- Safest Cities in Maryland Report #6 (*Backgroundchecks.org*)
- Safest Military Town list #15 (*Vivintsource.com*)
- Safest Towns and Cities in Maryland #9 (National Council for Home Safety and Security)

Population and income data about Bowie can be found in the Census Snapshot at https://www.cityofbowie.org/210/Demographics. More complete Census data is available at https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/bowiecitymaryland/PST045218.