

# How to Find the Perfect Apartment Community

As hard as you work to pay for your home, make sure to be comfortable and happy where you decide to live. Breaking a lease is not cheap and moving every few years because you choose the wrong place isn't either.



- Check the local police website for crime activity in the area
- Check the school ratings
- Check the location of bus stops
- Check the distance to your job and maybe do a test drive during rush hour
- Is the community well kept (make sure to drive around)
- Is the office staff friendly and helpful
- When touring a unit can you hear the neighbors
- Walk to the exact location of your apartment
- What amenities do they have
- What do they do in natural disasters like hurricanes
- Ask if they typically raise rents at renewal and at what percentage
- Check the online reviews (just use this to ask questions)
- Do they have any specials
- What is the building made of
- How old are the appliances
- What hours does maintenance work