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Quincy, IL Makes Forbes List of Best Small Cities to Raise a Family

Quincy, IL ranks number eight in the list of "Best Small Cities to Raise a Family" in an article for Forbes.com by Francesca Levy posted on October 25th. According to the article, the list of 15 small cities was determined based on the following:

"To pinpoint the best small places to raise a family, we looked at quality-of-life measures that make living easier for families in all Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas with a population under 100,000. We scored cities on commute times, educational attainment, median household income, the rate of home ownership, and the cost of living, for which we used median housing costs as a percentage of income as a proxy."

The data listed for Quincy included the following:

Metropolitan Statistical Area: Quincy, IL-MO

Commute Time Rank: 7

High School Graduation Rate Rank: 34

Median Household Income Rank: 43

Home Ownership Rate Rank: 48

Cost of Living Rank: 4

To read the complete story, visit

<http://www.forbes.com/2010/10/25/small-cities-family-lifestyle-real-estate-quality-of-life.html>

Located on the Mississippi River, Quincy, Illinois is the largest city within a 100-mile radius and serves as a regional hub for 600,000 people in Western Illinois, Northeast Missouri and Southeast Iowa. For more information about Quincy and Adams County, contact the Great River Economic Development Foundation at 217.223.4313 or visit www.gredf.org.
