



THINGS TO DO IN HOUSTON

As the seventh largest city in the United States, Houston is a vibrant city with endless opportunities. There are a number of attractions and activities to see and do for groups looking to extend their time in Houston. From sandy beaches, to amusement park thrills, to space exploration, the Houston area has something for everyone!

Downtown Houston

For groups looking to stay in the downtown vicinity, there are a number of things to do. For up to date events happening in Downtown Houston, please visit www.downtownhouston.org.

- [Alley Theatre](#)
- [BBVA Compass Stadium \(Home of the Houston Dynamo and Dash\)](#)
- [Discovery Green Park](#)
- [Houston Downtown Aquarium](#)
- [Jones Hall \(Houston Symphony\)](#)
- [Minute Maid Park \(Home of the Houston Astros\)](#)
- [The Heritage Society at Sam Houston Park](#)
- [The Hobby Center for Performing Arts](#)
- [The Shops at Houston Center](#)
- [Toyota Center \(Home of the Houston Rockets\)](#)
- [Wortham Theater Center \(Houston Ballet and Houston Grand Opera\)](#)

Houston Metro Area

Groups with access to their own transportation can visit attractions in the Houston metro area. The following destinations range anywhere from 10 to 45 minutes away from Downtown Houston.

- [A.D. Players at the George Theater](#)
- [Art Car Museum](#)
- [Battleship Texas State Historic Site](#)
- [Buffalo Bayou Park](#)
- [Constellation Field \(Home of the Sugarland Skeeters, AAA Baseball\)](#)
- [Contemporary Arts Museum Houston*](#)
- [Gerald D. Hines Waterwall Park](#)
- [Hermann Park*](#)
- [Houston Arboretum and Nature Center](#)
- [Houston Museum of Natural Science*](#)



- [Houston Zoo*](#)
- [Hurricane Harbor Splashtown](#)
- [Kemah Boardwalk](#)
- [Miller Outdoor Theatre*](#)
- [Museum of Fine Arts, Houston*](#)
- [Space Center Houston at Johnson Space Center](#)
- [The Galleria Mall](#)
- [The Health Museum](#)
- [Typhoon Texas Waterpark](#)

Please note, attractions labeled with a “*” are accessible by the [Houston MetroRail](#).

Surrounding Cities

There are a number of attractions in cities surrounding the Houston area. The following destinations are approximately 45 minutes to an hour away from Downtown Houston.

- [Moody Gardens](#)
- [Schlitterbahn Waterpark](#)
- [Galveston Island Historic Pleasure Pier](#)
- [Galveston Island \(Public Beach Access Available\)](#)

For groups planning to drive to the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering, [Concordia University Texas](#) is located outside of Austin, TX and approximately 3 hours from Downtown Houston. Connect with your District Coordinator to discuss the possibility of touring the campus with your group.