

CLINCH VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER

Richlands, Virginia

(Population: 5,639 • Service area: 89,000)

Nestled in the Appalachian Mountains of Southwest Virginia, the town of Richlands in Tazewell County is a family-friendly community, rich in cultural resources and surrounded by natural beauty.

THE HOSPITAL

Clinch Valley Medical Center (CVMC) is a 200-bed facility and the largest acute-care hospital in far Southwest Virginia, having served this region since 1938. The hospital's medical staff represents 33 medical specialties.

Clinch Valley Medical Center is a leader in offering the latest medical technology, including PET/CT fusion scanning. CVMC was among the first healthcare facilities in the world to offer image-guided radiation therapy (IG-IMRT) as part of its Cancer Treatment Center. The hospital was the first in the region to use bar-code technology to enhance patient safety, and it is repeatedly ranked as one of the nation's top hospitals for treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

In addition to PET/CT scanning, which fuses two technologies for remarkable clarity, CVMC's advanced diagnostics include MRI, CT, Nuclear Medicine, a two-bed Sleep Studies lab, and an accredited 24-hour Laboratory. The Women's Health Center offers Bone Density Scanning, Mammography, Ultrasound and Stereotactic Breast Biopsies.



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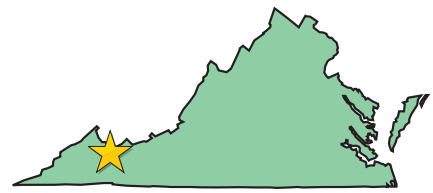
THE COMMUNITY

The town of Richlands is located in the western part of Tazewell County, a land of beautiful rolling hills, clear rivers, lush pastures and scenic mountains. The County is part of the *Clinch River Basin*, named by The Nature Conservancy as one of the 20 "Last Great Places" in the world.

The county is home to *Southwest Virginia Community College*, which offers over 80 programs of study and hosts many cultural and musical events throughout the year – everything from jazz to traditional Appalachian music and classical. The *Historic Crab Orchard Museum* is a reconstructed pioneer settlement that features many living history events and offers an overview of the region's rich heritage. One of area's the more spectacular natural features is *Burke's Garden*, a 20,000 acre mountain-top bowl also known as God's Thumbprint.

RECREATION

The *Four Seasons Country* of Tazewell and neighboring counties provides many opportunities for golfers, hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts. Nearby is world-class whitewater rafting on the world's second-oldest river, the *New River*, and skiers can take to the slopes at nearby *Winterplace Resort*. Fishermen can choose to cast a lure in numerous native trout streams, quiet lakes or local rivers. Hiking in



Local Points of Interest

- *Pocahontas Exhibition Coal Mine* – a registered National Landmark offering first-hand experience of the area's coal heritage.
- *Cavitt's Creek and Lake Jack Witten* – primitive and full-service campsites plus a 54-acre stocked lake.
- *The Cove* – home to eight generations of farming families, this picturesque setting was the backdrop for a recent *Lassie* motion picture.



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national forests and mountain biking on country roads are among the many other outdoor activities available. The nearby *Jefferson National Forest*, for example, features over 400 miles of maintained trails, including 60 miles of the *Appalachian Trail*.

Tazewell County is also home to six of the eight designated points for the *Mountain Heritage Loop*, part of the *Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail*. Other wildlife in the area include black bear, trophy whitetail deer and wild turkey.



Distance to Major Cities

Tri-Cities, VA/TN	50 miles
Knoxville, TN	150 miles
Charlotte, NC	210 miles
Washington, DC	350 miles

the "Historic Grist Mill" in Cedar Bluff