



WELCOME TO THE **NEIGHBORHOOD**

Our guide to provide you with everything you need to make the most of your visit to the Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center!

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ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center is located between three cities and is directly surrounded by a few small towns. You can head in any direction and find everything you need - quick stops for forgotten items, entertainment and places to eat!



IMPORTANT TIP:

Each season will bring new options and opportunities. Be sure to check the weather and be mindful of the time of year before heading out.

Kalamazoo - due east of Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center, Kalamazoo has many amenities to offer. A short 25 minute drive away, Kalamazoo is home to a number of restaurants, breweries, entertainment venues and Western Michigan University.

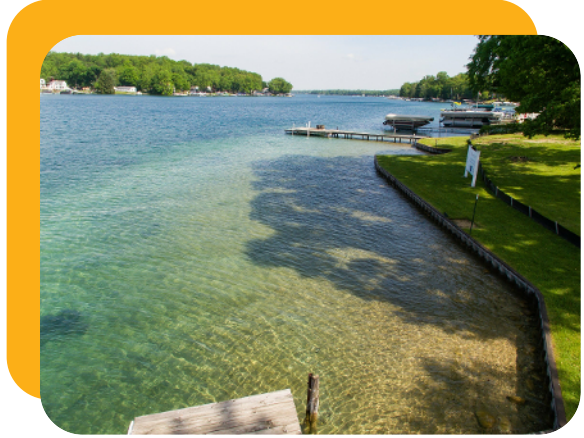
Portage - travel southwest of Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center to get to Portage, Michigan. Situated 18 miles away, Portage is a great place for shopping, entertainment, and family fun.

Battle Creek - head east of Sherman Lake YMCA and you will find the city of Battle Creek. Just a 12 mile drive and you'll find yourself in downtown Battle Creek - a great place for essentials, great food and nature.

ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD (CONT'D)

Augusta - Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center is located in the greater Augusta area. Head just three miles southeast to find the Village of Augusta, where you'll find convenience stores and a few places in town to eat.

Richland - located just a few miles northwest of Sherman Lake YMCA, Richland has beautiful views of Gull Lake. You may also want to check out a few of their great restaurants and small town charm.



LOOKING FOR ESSENTIALS?

QUICK STOPS

Augusta

- **Dollar General** - 501 E. Michigan Ave., Augusta, MI
- **Shell Gas Station** - 101 E. Michigan Ave., Augusta, MI

Richland

- **Dollar General** - 9975 M-89, Richland, MI
- **Harding's Market** - 8900 Gull Road, Richland, MI

A LITTLE FURTHER AWAY...

Kalamazoo

- **Walmart** - 6065 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI
- **Trader Joe's** - 5099 Century Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI
- **Costco** - 5100 Century Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI
- **Meijer** - 5800 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI
- **Aldi** - 3720 Gull Road, Kalamazoo, MI

Battle Creek

- **Walmart** - 6020 B Drive North, Battle Creek, MI
- **Aldi** - 870 W. Columbia Ave., Battle Creek, MI
- **Family Fare** - 1525 W. Michigan Ave., Battle Creek, MI
- **Horrocks Farm Market** - 5801 Beckley Rd., Battle Creek, MI

Portage

- **Walmart** - 8350 Shaver Road, Portage, MI
- **Dollar General** - 8350 Shaver Road, Portage, MI
- **Aldi** - 8350 Shaver Road, Portage, MI
- **Family Fare** - 8350 Shaver Road, Portage, MI

NEED COFFEE?

HERE ARE SOME OPTIONS

Of course, there are **Starbucks** options. We have one located on Gull Road in Kalamazoo (14 minutes away) and another in Battle Creek (about 18 minutes away).



We also have **Biggby Coffee**. Again, one on Gull Road (15 minutes away) in Kalamazoo and the other on Hill Brady Road in Battle Creek (around 13 minutes away).

Looking for a small business or coffee shop with original flavor? Here are even more options. In Battle Creek, try **Cafe Rica** for great coffee and an excellent breakfast (about 21 minutes away). Coffee **Klutch** is located about 10 minutes away in nearby Galesburg.

Downtown Kalamazoo has many coffee shop options that are all approximately 22 minutes from Sherman Lake YMCA:

- Crow's Nest & Fourth Coast Cafe
- Water Street Coffee
- Factory Coffee
- Totally Brewed Cafe
- Cafe Casse
- Black Owl Cafe



LOOKING FOR GREAT FOOD? LOOK NO FURTHER!

RICHLAND

(5-15 minutes away)

The Local, Chicken House, The Dock at Bayside, Pure Mex, Richland Pub, Charles and Darl's, Neds on Gull Lake, Up North Sandwich & Pasty Co., Parkview Cafe

KALAMAZOO

(20-25 minutes away)

600 Kitchen, Principle, Saugatuck Brewing, Hub, Crow's Nest, Rustica, Bangkok Flavor, Blue Dolphin, North 11, Martini's, Old Burdick's, Brick & Brine, WL Social House, Cairo's Kitchen, Roca, Maru Sushi, Elysium, La Familia Cafe, Ben DiCarta's and many more!

BATTLE CREEK

(15-20 minutes away)

Clara's on the River, McGonigle's, Lucky Rooster, One Nation, Kitchen Proper, Unami Ramen, Griffin Grill, La Cocina Mexicana, Thai Flavor, WACO Kitchen, Torti Taco, Cafe Rica

HEALTHY OPTIONS

Core Life (Portage), People's Co-Op (Kalamazoo), Sawall Health Foods (Kalamazoo), Natural Health Food Center (Kalamazoo)

MORE DINING OPTIONS

CHAINS, FAST-FOOD & DELIVERY

DELIVERY

There are a few restaurants that will deliver to Sherman Lake YMCA:

- Jet's Pizza (Kalamazoo - Gull Road)
- The Local (Richland)
- Pizza King (Galesburg)



FAST FOOD OPTIONS

Most of these fast-food restaurants are on Gull Road in Kalamazoo (about 12-15 minutes away):

- McDonald's
- Wendy's
- Arby's
- Burger King
- Culvers
- Pizza Hut
- Panera
- Jimmy Johns
- Dairy Queen
- Subway
- Qdoba

POPULAR CHAINS

Many popular chain restaurants can be found in Portage:

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| • Red Robin | • Carrabba's |
| • Olive Garden | • Red Lobster |
| • Chili's | • Five Guys |
| • Texas Roadhouse | • Applebee's |

LATE NIGHT FUN

HOT SPOTS & BREWERIES

There's no shortage of places to check out late night fun in the area. Here are a few highlights in the Kalamazoo area!

HOT SPOTS

Beer Exchange

HopCat

The Stamped Robin

LFG - Liquor Food Games

High Dive

Green Top

Dabney & Co.

Jungle Bird

Principle

BREWERIES

Bell's Eccentric Cafe

Saugatuck Brewing

One Well Brewing

Final Gravity Brewing Co.

Territorial Brewing Co.

Brite Eyes Brewing

Brewing Outre

Texas Corners Brewing Co.

CATCHING A MOVIE?

Celebration Cinema - Portage

GQT Kalamazoo 10 - Kalamazoo

KP Cinemas - Kalamazoo

GQT West Columbia 7 - Battle Creek

JC Cinema - Battle Creek

NCG Cinema - Battle Creek

M-89 Cinema - Plainwell

ENTERTAINMENT AND ACTIVITIES

THINGS TO DO INSIDE & OUTSIDE!

MAKE SOMETHING!

Make Studio Kalamazoo

Art Bayou

Colors & Cocktails

Wine & Canvas Kalamazoo

GET OUTSIDE

Kellogg Forest

Fort Custer State Park

Kalamazoo River Valley Trail

McLinden Nature Trails

Asylum Lake Preserve

Al Sabo Land Preserve

Leila Arboretum

Yankee Springs (North Country Trails)

LEARN THINGS

Air Zoo

Kalamazoo Institute of Arts

Gilmore Car Museum

Check out the
Kalamazoo State
Theatre, Miller
Auditorium and
Bell's Back Room for
great shows and
concerts!

Barn Theatre (Augusta)

Binder Park Zoo

Kalamazoo Valley Museum

PLAY

Airway Fun Center

Escapology

Revel & Roll

Climb Kalamazoo

Fire Keepers Casino

SEASONAL SPECIALS

**Find local events on kzookids.com
and discoverkalamazoo.com**

WINTER

Bittersweet Ski Resort

Millennium Park – Ice Skating

Holiday Lights & Candy Cane Lane – Bronson Park

K Wings Hockey



SPRING

Gull Lake View Golf Resort

Gilmore Piano Festival

Airborne Adventure Park

SUMMER

Kalamazoo Growlers Baseball

Drive west to the beaches of Lake Michigan in South Haven, St. Joseph & Saugatuck

FALL

Color tour on a nature trail

Gull Meadow Farms

Skelotour in Downtown Kalamazoo



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ABOUT OUR YMCA



OUR MISSION

The Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center puts Honesty, Caring, Respect and Responsibility into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

THERE'S LOTS TO DO HERE!

You can find many things to do right here at Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center. Check out our website for a full list of events, group fitness classes, pool schedules, and more.

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES | POOL | FITNESS CENTER
TRY PICKLEBALL | HIKE ON MEMBER TRAILS

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