



WESTERWOOD™

Our Campus, Your Canvas.

Empowering you to create a life you'll love.



“It’s like living in the middle
of the woods, but in the city.”

—WESTERWOOD RESIDENT



We might be the fresh start you’ve
been searching for.

Westerwood opens up a world of new possibilities.

Formerly known as Friendship Village Columbus, Westerwood is reinventing our 23-acre Life Care community. Today’s modern elder wants more out of life: More access to natural beauty. Expanded culinary choices. Greater fitness and vitality. New opportunities to learn, grow, and create. *Our campus is your canvas* for creating a life you’ll love on a grand scale. This is Westerwood—and you’re going to love it here.



**Westerwood is home to
Friendship Woods, a certified
wildlife habitat.**



We preserve nature. Nature preserves us.

Nature is a big part of the appeal of living at Westerwood.

Some residents walk two to three times a day, always with one destination in mind: Friendship Woods. Home to an estimated 200+ species of birds, our nature preserve has prompted some residents to take up birdwatching as a hobby. As a certified nature refuge, Friendship Woods can never be cut down or developed. While walking is half the fun, there are plenty of places to sit, be present, and watch this vibrant, natural splendor unfold.

We incorporate the natural world into the design of the Westerwood grounds. Nearly a mile of meandering walking paths lead you past beautiful landscaping, mature trees, and personal gardens that residents call their own.



An enriching life.

So much to do, see, and experience—all in one place.

At Westerwood, you'll enjoy engaging friends and experiences. *Our campus is your canvas*—you'll find everything you need to create a life you love on a 23-acre campus.

Resident-driven programs. Our residents drive our life-enrichment programming and social life. This is your community, so you should have a say in what “enrichment” means to you. Want to start a particular interest group? We'll support you to make it so.

Otterbein University's Lifelong Learning Community. As a resident, you'll have access to a year-long menu of workshops, day trips, lectures, social opportunities, and mini-courses at Otterbein University. You'll meet artists, lecturers, writers, and faculty in formal and informal settings. Topics include art, history, health, well-being, book groups, and environmental and social issues.

Arts studio. Explore our full-scope arts studio, complete with craft materials, pottery wheel and kiln, and an artist-in-residence to guide projects and offer classes.

Woodshop. Our professional woodshop is outfitted with all the tools you need to build something beautiful.





Individual garden plots. Request an elevated garden or ground-level plot to grow whatever you choose.

Live events. Enjoy more than 120 on-site concerts, programs, performances, and lectures annually, just steps from your door.

Read, write, and share. You'll find plenty of avid readers at our book club, and our creative writing group shares their prose at the Village Writers Group. Plus, we have an extensive in-house library, stocked in collaboration with the Westerville Public Library.

Choir. Music is front and center here. Our community groups, *The Village Singers* and *Chimes*, perform for residents. And a few residents have started a rock band.

Movies. Enjoy *Monday Night at the Movies* with popcorn and laughs with your friends.

Spiritual. Our on-site chapel offers nondenominational services and weekly vespers services, a transition support group, chaplain guidance, meditation and prayer groups, and observances and programming for Advent, Lent, and Hanukkah.



A delicious life.

Variety is the spice of life.

That's true when it comes to dining choices at Westerwood. Our culinary options are plentiful and tasteful, from chef specials and grill choices to a variety of fresh salads. Independent living residents have a flexible meal plan that works for their schedule and how they like to dine. Plus, our independent living apartments offer well-appointed kitchens, so cooking at home is easy. Between meals, hang out in our coffee shop and read a book, chat with friends, or get a cup of joe or tea to go.

On the drawing board are new casual dining options, including a grab-and-go bistro, happy hours, wine tasting nights, and much more.



Strength—like wisdom—can improve with age.

Nearly 80% of Westerwood residents actively engage in fitness programming.

Where did the retired athletic director from Otterbein University choose to live? At Westerwood, of course! While we don't know if it was our well-equipped gym or the dozens of exercise classes that caught his attention, we do know he's in excellent company when it comes to wellness. The majority of residents regularly attend fitness classes, which is a testament to their commitment to health and to our fitness programs.

Move here. Get stronger. Being part of an active community is motivating. Beyond the social fabric, living on campus makes it easy to get to class in just a matter of minutes. Our commitment is to support your goals to become stronger, more flexible, and better balanced so you can continue to do what you love most.

Expert instruction and equipment. Our full-time, certified fitness coordinator is well trained in maturing bodies' biomechanics, and she loves working with new residents to teach them proper form and process. Whether you're a novice (or a retired athletic director), we adapt our classes and fitness instruction to meet your level of experience and conditioning.

Like walking? With nearly a full mile of meandering pathways, much of it through beautiful, wooded areas in our nature refuge, you can reach your 10,000 steps daily on your own or with friends from campus.

More to come. On the drawing board are new recreational amenities to boost the fun factor, including a proposed pickleball court, bocce ball, and a variety of other outdoor amenities. As a resident you can weigh in on what you'd love to see added to the lineup!



“I chose Westerwood for the lifestyle and the peace of mind of Life Care.”

—WESTERWOOD RESIDENT



Westerwood is the only true Life Care community near Westerville, and we offer a full continuum of care.

Living at Westerwood means you have access to a full continuum of care—all under one roof. That means you can continue to live in the community you love, with friends and staff you know, without having to move to another community if your level of care increases. For married couples, you can stay connected even if one of you requires assisted living, memory care, rehabilitation, or long-term skilled nursing. Plus, with a Life Care contract, you can rest assured that health services costs will be predictable and affordable.

What is Life Care?

A Life Care contract provides a predictable living cost so you can plan ahead. It helps offset the expenses associated with escalating care services, which can easily reach \$100,000 a year or more.

If your needs change over time, you will have guaranteed unlimited access to our full continuum of the highest-quality, on-site health care services, including assisted living, memory care, skilled nursing, and rehabilitation therapy. With a Life Care contract, one of which guarantees a return of 50 percent of your entrance fee to you or your estate, you can be confident your financial assets are protected.

An engaging lifestyle combined with the security of a continuing care retirement community (CCRC) creates what we call the Life Care advantage. It puts you in control of your life and your future. So why take a chance?

However, you need to qualify for Life Care while you're relatively healthy as an independent living resident. Call us to discuss the Life Care difference and learn about the guarantees of a CCRC.



Dreaming up more and more.

The nonprofit difference.

While already a fantastic place to live, Westerwood is on the path to reinvention. The nonprofit status of Westerwood means we reinvest in our community rather than investors' profits. That means we're planning significant upgrades for the next several years. Many of these proposed additions are currently being studied and are under review by our resident councils and leadership.





What grand ideas are in the works?

New Garden Cottages. Now in feasibility planning, complete with attached garage, patio, remodeled interiors and more.

Outdoor Firepit. Imagine relaxing around a cozy fire with friends or book.

Dog Park. Resident dogs will be able to safely frolic with their furry pals on- or off-leash. All resident dog-lovers can enjoy watching dogs play or join in a game of fetch.

Grab & Go Bistro. A place where you can quickly get a sandwich, salad, or snack to go as well as coffee or tea. Sit a spell and savor the company of friends or a good book in a relaxed café-style atmosphere.

Bocce Ball Court. Whether it's one-to-one competition or teams, this is a lawn bowling game that anyone can play.

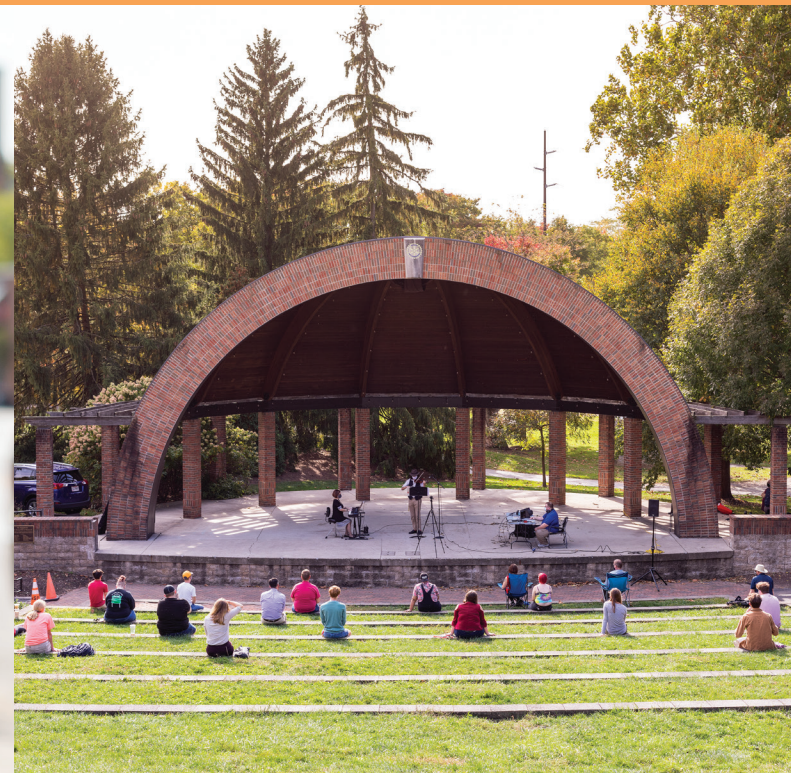
Pickleball Court. Like tennis, but with a smaller court, Pickleball is the fastest-growing sport in the country because it is great exercise and is easy to learn.

Raised Gardens. While we already ground-level garden beds that residents tend, the new raised beds will make it easier to garden for those who have mobility issues or just don't like bending down.

New Outdoor Seating and Patios. These outdoor areas will take advantage of the natural beauty of our campus, allowing residents to enjoy eating and socializing outdoors in good weather.

New Dining Options. Under consideration is modeling our existing dining room, adding new menus and possibly sit-down style dining with table service. Our goal is to give our residents more choice in when and how they dine.

Wine Lockers. Share a favorite bottle of wine with friends at dinner from your wine locker.



Close to Westerville, Otterbein University, and downtown Columbus.

While Westerwood feels like a world unto itself, we're just minutes from some of the city's biggest attractions, including Otterbein University. That's one reason many Otterbein alumni, including a previous faculty president and athletic director, chose Westerwood—not only to be close to their favorite places, but also to take advantage of Otterbein's Lifelong Learning Community.

Right in our neighborhood, you'll find authentic Chinese food, delicious pizza, and other enticing cuisines, alongside wonderful cafés. Nearby, you will also discover more than a few eclectic shops to explore and several grocery and pharmacy options, as well.

Easy access to cultural hubs

- Columbus Museum of Art
- The Frank Museum of Art
- Otterbein's Battelle Fine Arts Center
- Franklin Park Conservatory & Botanical Gardens
- Ohio History Connection
- Columbus Historical Society
- Jack Nicklaus Museum
- Renowned German Village neighborhood
- Columbus Zoo and Aquarium
- Westerville Community Center

Performing arts nearby

- Otterbein Theater department productions
- Curtain House Players
- BalletMet
- Columbus Symphony Orchestra
- Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA)
- Westerville Symphony, Otterbein University



A beautiful place for a fresh start.

If you live in it, you should love it.

Whether you're just exploring a potential move for yourself or you need an immediate solution for a friend or family member, we're only a phone call or web click away.

We'd love to help you find what you're looking for.

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Our campus is your canvas for creating a life you'll love!





Where beauty unfolds naturally.

Our 40+ years of success makes a strong foundation for even better things to come.



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