

# Baltimore Housing Guide

A list of common Baltimore neighborhoods along with some of the places where Anesthesia residents live! Created especially for you by our current residents.

## DOWNTOWN

Area in the center of the city walking distance to UMMC, the Inner Harbor, Camden Yards (Orioles Stadium), and M&T Bank Stadium (Ravens Stadium).

**Style:** Apartment Building

**Building Name:** The Zenith

**Website:** [Zenith Apartments](#)

**Pros:** Proximity to hospital (can walk out of my unit and be in the hospital in ~5 min), in unit laundry/dryer, concierge receives and sends out packages.

**Cons:** Not too much to do within walking distance, can be loud sometimes outside with ambulances/orioles/Raven's football games

**Rent Estimate:** \$1700 to 2700 depending on floorplan/BRs

**Safety:** With an enclosed garage and 24-hour concierge, commuting has always been convenient. While I personally prefer not to walk around at night, I've never had any issues.

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**Style:** Apartment Building

**Building Name:** Sail Cloth Factory Apartments

**Website:** [Sail Cloth Apartments](#)

**Pros:** Proximity to hospital (3-minute walk to hospital), in unit washer/dryer, tall ceilings and windows, dog park, on-site parking (~\$200 per month, valet only, also has EV parking), free bike parking, on-site gym, nice roof deck with grill

**Cons:** Old building, on-site property manager isn't great

**Rent Estimate:** \$1400 to 2400 depending on floorplan

**Safety:** Valet parking only with 24/7 parking attendant, cameras around building monitored by parking attendants, I walk to work and have never had issues any time of day or night (but still be careful anywhere you go).

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## FEDERAL HILL & LOCUST POINT

Neighborhood in the southern part of the city, is about a 10-15-minute drive from UMMC with many bars, restaurants, and nightlife. Some amenities include 2 parks - Latrobe and Riverside, Harris Teeter, and Giant.

**Style: "Luxury" Apartment Building**

**Building Name: Alta Federal Hill**

**Website: [Alta Federal Hill](#)**

**Pros:** Very nice/modern apartments with a large gym (one room with lifting machines/cardio machines, another room for free weights). Free yoga and other classes are hosted in a second room on Thursday nights. Pool and courtyard with grills and outdoor games and rooftop access with seating. Mailroom is very secure and has a fridge for food delivery services (I lived in a townhome in federal hill before an apartment complex and mail was frequently stolen). Covered parking garage, I would not recommend relying on street parking in Federal Hill as it is limited. Two Mac computers, free printing, and three study rooms. A 5-8 minute morning commute to work, 10-15 home. Walkable to Raven's Stadium and Camden Yards. Harris Teeter/Giant, spin studio, Dunkin'/Starbucks, UPS, 3 gas stations are all within a 5-minute drive. Tons of walkable bars and restaurants. A maintenance person on call at all times. Ownership is extremely responsive. Very quiet. They allow you to renew your lease each year at the same rate, if you let them know about two months before your lease ends, rather than increasing the rent annually like most apartment complexes do. Allow month to month rental extension (so you can extend a month after graduation to move).

**Cons:** Expensive. ~\$2200/ month for a single bedroom w/parking and utilities (\$1600-1800 for a studio). They have a new complex owned by the same people next door called [the Quill](#). I'm not sure of the prices.

**Rent Estimate:** See above.

**Safety:** Very safe. Building and attached parking garage require key fob entry or a code for guests. It's safe to walk around during the day, but personally, I wouldn't walk anywhere alone at night.

**Resident Contact:** Aarika Ferko (484-797-7933)

**Style: "Luxury" Apartment Building**

**Building Name: Arrive Federal Hill**

**Website: [Arrive Federal Hill](#)**

**Pros:** Modern apartment building but not too big, only six floors. Gym with weights, treadmills, bikes. Occasionally have free fitness classes for residents. Pool with grills/patio. Mailroom and package lockers. Covered parking garage with assigned spots which I believe is \$175/month. Two computers and free printing. Lobby has couches, TV, dining table/kitchen area (that you

can rent out), and booths to work in. 15–20-minute walk to UMMC (5-10 minute drive would be my guess). Walkable to Camden Yards, Ravens Stadium, Inner Harbor and lots of restaurants. Further into Federal Hill can get noisy but the building is kind of tucked up next to Otterbein and is very quiet/away from businesses. Maintenance person is on-call 24 hours. They recently changed ownership, they're very responsive to requests and any issues that arise. They often have deals when signing your lease (1 month free, 14-month lease option with a discount, etc.). UMMC is a "preferred employee", so you get a discount (I think it's about 3% - not much but adds up over a 12-month lease!). There are guest suites in the building that you can rent for about \$100/month if you have friends/family visiting and want them to have their own space. Lots of UMMC residents live here so you'll run into your friends!

**Cons:** On the more expensive side for Baltimore. Apparently there is a waiting list for the parking garage right now, but I think if you give them enough heads up they should have a spot in time.

**Rent Estimate:** ~\$1800/month for a studio, ~\$2000/month for 1 bed, \$2500/month for 2 beds

**Safety:** Very safe. Front desk staffed from about 8am-2am. Requires key fob entry and has the butterfly system/app for guests to call to get in. I feel very safe walking in the neighborhood. I personally walk to/from work every day and have never felt unsafe! It is a city, so you have to be smart, but I have yet to run into any issues.

**Resident Contact:** Eileen Howard (617-840-5827); there is a referral bonus of \$750 that we could split if you mention my name at the first point of contact with the leasing office!

### **Style: Apartment Building**

**Building Name: ReNew Federal Hill**

**Website: [ReNew Federal Hill](#)**

**Pros:** 10-minute drive from UMMC and easy access on/off I-95, 5-minute walk from Riverside Park (pickleball court, basketball court, outdoor calisthenics equipment, lots of greenspace). Located in the quieter/lower traffic part of Federal Hill, walkable to many restaurants and bars and the Ravens Stadium and Camden Yards (Orioles). Newly renovated gym, good building management, prices are reasonable for the area, and there is a discount for UMMC employees. Covered parking garage and rent includes one car per unit.

**Cons:** Kitchen cabinets are on the more narrow/smaller side, no pool (but free public pool is at Riverside Park).

**Rent Estimate:** Studios - 2 Bedrooms ranging from \$1600-\$2700

**Safety:** Feels very safe and it is a quieter area where the only traffic that comes through the area is people who live here.

**Resident Contact:** Cameran Burt (410-236-2109)

**Style: 2-bed 2-bath Apartment in Otterbein**

**Building Name: Private landlord off Zillow**

**Pros:** Spacious for the price, cheap parking (\$50/month for gated covered parking spot, \$25/year for street parking which is usually easy to find.) Quiet neighborhood but still easy access to stadiums (Ravens Stadium is ~11 min walk, Camden Yards is ~15min) and Federal Hill restaurants/bars (~7 min walk to ice cream - Bmore Licks or Moo Moos). 20ish-minute walk or 5-minute drive to UMMC. Multiple mini parks throughout the neighborhood. Neighbors range from retirees, young adults, and families with children. There are also townhomes in the neighborhood if you need a larger space. Easy access to the Inner Harbor and Federal Hill park for nice walks in the evening.

**Cons:** Older unit, however, this is off Zillow/private landlord and I'm sure other units may be more updated.

**Rent Estimate:** I pay \$2000, looking on Zillow, it ranges from 1800-2300 for the same size apartments.

**Safety:** No issues in my two years here. I go on walks at night with my partner without problems.

**Resident Contact:** Nansen Kuo (240-494-6901)

## FELLS POINT, UPPER FELLS POINT, & HARBOR EAST

Historic waterfront neighborhoods with lots of restaurants, bars, and cafes. Very popular among UMMC residents. 5-min drive from ample grocery stores, a hardware store, and large department stores. 12-minute drive to the hospital in the morning and a 15-30 min drive from hospital in afternoon/evening traffic.

### **Style: Condo Building**

**Building Name: Scarlett Place Condominiums**

**Website: [Apartments.com Listing](#)**

**Pros:** Technically, this is Harbor East but walking distance to Fells Point. The building is comprised of condo units but they have a rental agency that works only for this building. Priced really well for the neighborhood. Rent also includes parking and internet. The building also includes a gym and an indoor heated pool. Less than a 10-min walk to Whole Foods. Less than a 10-min bike ride to UMMC. Very close to the many restaurants in Little Italy. The building is also right on the water.

**Cons:** No parking nearby. The traffic pattern to leave the building is annoying. The building is mostly retired folks. The building is all condos so leasing availability can be limited.

**Rent Estimate:** \$2500 (includes parking, internet, water, and amenities)

**Safety:** Very safe. Able to walk around at night without concerns.

**Resident Contact:** Nash Vedanaparti (610-574-7395)

### **Style: Apartment Building**

**Building Name: Liberty Harbor East**

**Website: [Liberty Harbor East](#)**

**Pros:** Right above Whole Foods. Easy walk to Fells Point and easy drive to Canton. Area has been built up a lot so there are some parks nearby and ability to walk along the water from Harbor Point to Fells. Building has great amenities (gym, pool, dog area) and good management.

**Cons:** One of the more expensive buildings. Traffic coming home from work can be on the more annoying side but that will be for anything in the Harbor East area. No good place for dogs to run off leash within walking distance.

**Rent Estimate:** \$2500-3000 for a 1-bedroom apartment

**Safety:** Very safe. Able to walk around at night without concerns. 24/7 patrol in the area.

**Resident Contact:** Bri McKiernan (703-581-5594)

### **Style: Apartment Building**

**Building Name: 1305 Dock Street Apartments**

**Website: [1305 Dock Street](#)**

**Pros:** Quiet building, nice area. Located right near the water and walkable to several stores, restaurants, and bars in the area.

**Cons:** Not many amenities.

**Rent Estimate:** \$1600-2200 for studio or 1-bedroom

**Safety:** Very safe. Able to walk around at night without concerns. 24/7 patrol in the area.

**Resident Contact:** Bri McKiernan (703-581-5594)

## CANTON & PATTERSON PARK

Neighborhood in the eastern portion of Baltimore about a 15-20-minute drive from UMMC that tends to have more young families than other parts of the city. Some amenities include many bars/restaurants, Patterson Park, Target, Harris Teeter, and BJ's Wholesale Club.

**Style: Rowhome**

**Building Name: N/A**

**Pros:** Ideal for a couple or two roommates with room for guests. The property has two bedrooms, three full bathrooms, a finished basement, rooftop deck, and parking pad. Additional street parking is plentiful. Your front porch is less than 100 yards from Patterson Park with access to walking trails, tennis courts, basketball courts, baseball fields, skate park, and community pool. Walking distance to many bars and restaurants, and less than a 5-minute drive from grocery stores and shopping. Just a 15 minute or less drive to UMMC (with traffic!), 5 minutes to John Hopkins Hospital, and only one block away from a public library and public transportation if desired. It has all the necessary appliances including air conditioning, gas stove, microwave, dishwasher with brand new refrigerator, washer/dryer, and hot-water heater.

**Cons:** No yard. Traffic is heavier returning home (15-to-30-minute return trip).

**Rent Estimate:** \$2500/month, available June 2027.

**Safety:** There are at least four families with young kids on our block itself, and an elementary school around the corner. I walk my dogs every day without issue and take the bus routinely without issue.

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## SURROUNDING COUNTIES/SUBURBS

### **Style: Row Home**

**City/County:** [Howard County](#), Jessup/Columbia, MD

**Pros:** Suburb living, quiet, easy access to Baltimore and DC, lots of nearby parks and trails, smaller residential neighborhoods, lots of shopping centers, easy access to highway into the city.

**Cons:** Traffic coming home after work can be bad depending on time of day.

**Safety:** Extremely safe, I have walked through my neighborhood and most nearby parks with my family and have always felt safe.

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### **Style: Single Family Home**

**City/County:** [Howard County](#), Hickory Ridge, Columbia, MD

**Pros:** Safe, roomy, quiet. Lots of green space. Columbia Association amenities (tons of paved walking trails as well as subsidized gyms & pools). I don't have kids, but it would be a great place to live if you have a family. Lots of kid-friendly programming at the pools and gyms. I personally live within walking distance of Columbia Town Center/Merriweather Pavillion (outdoor music venue that gets fairly big-name performers)/Columbia Mall. Very diverse for a suburb.

**Cons:** Commuting (especially in the evening) and being further away from friends who live downtown. It is harder to make friends locally, especially if you don't have children.

**Rent Estimate:** Really depends - anything from apartments and townhouses to single family homes. Probably at least 2k a month for a lease. Houses start in the 400s. Market to buy is pretty tight.

**Safety:** Overall, very safe. Although some apartment complexes may have issues with petty crime. I would recommend staying west of 29.

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