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Overview

The Lake Chelan Valley is a great place to visit and an even better place to call home. The Valley offers four seasons of recreation, charming shopping districts, and bountiful agriculture including an emerging wine industry. Centrally located, full-time and part-time residents find it an ideal location for telecommuting with quality infrastructure and easy access to destinations across the state. The Lake Chelan Valley encompasses the communities of Chelan, Manson and Stehekin.

With ample opportunities for outdoor recreation, a thriving art scene, and a superior community hospital, residents of the Lake Chelan Valley pride themselves on having a high quality of life. Chelan maintains the strong sense of community rich in small towns. Residents greet each other by name and community service is alive and well, apparent in strong participation among the community’s civic groups. The Valley’s natural beauty, coupled with abundant amenities, make it an excellent place to live.

CHELAN

Chelan is the only incorporated community in the Northern part of Chelan County and is located along the Southeast end of Lake Chelan. The city’s year round population is approximately 4,000; however, these numbers can swell to 25,000 during summer months due to Chelan’s popularity among tourists and part-time residents. The city encompasses 3.9 square miles and is located approximately 160 miles east of Seattle.

STEHEKIN

Long ago, Native Americans named it Stehekin - “the way through” - because it was one of few travel routes through the formidable barrier of the North Cascades. Today visitors will find a community of 85 people who thrive in the isolation of this beautiful valley. Although there are 15 miles of road in Stehekin, the fact that no roads come into the valley from the outside helps shape the character of this remarkable place and the thoughtful quality of life that its residents share. Most visitors arrive by boat, a few come by air, but a surprising number hike into this remote valley following the same cross-mountain routes used for centuries by the Native Americans.

MANSON

The small lakeside town of Manson lies along the North shore of Lake Chelan. This quaint village enjoys incredible views of snowcapped peaks that rise over 7,000 feet from the lakeshore. From the apple orchards to the alpine firs and glaciers of the Cascade Crest, Manson, the “Village on the Bay,” offers an unparalleled variety of scenic and recreational experiences.



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DRIVING DISTANCES

CITY	HOURS	MILES
Everett via Stevens	3 hr	155
Grand Coulee Dam	1 ¼ hr	58
Leavenworth	1 ¼ hr	55
Mission Ridge	1 ¼ hr	53
Penticton, BC	3 ½ hr	143
Portland, OR	5 ¾ hr	324
Seattle Via Steven	3 ½ hr	184
Seattle Via Blewett	3 ¼ hr	180
Seattle via Hwy 20	5 ¼ hr	266
Sea-Tac Airport	3 ½ hr	192
Spokane	3 hr	153
Vancouver, BC	5 ¾ hr	266
Wenatchee	¾ hr	39
Winthrop	1 ¼ hr	61



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History**GLACIER CREATION**

Lake Chelan formed gradually over millions of years with the rise of the Cascade Mountains. Today about 100 glaciers are liberally sprinkled on the peaks draining into Lake Chelan. These glaciers store water through the summer, which helps irrigate the productive fruit orchards in the lowlands.

NATIVE AMERICANS

Native Americans probably inhabited the lower Chelan Valley for thousands of years prior to its "discovery" by pioneer trappers, explorers, and prospectors in the 1800s. The Native Americans were called the "Tsill-ane," later spelled Chelan, meaning 'deep water.'

THE MINERS

In the 1880s, the lure of precious metals brought prospectors to the upper regions of Lake Chelan. Stehekin became a busy lake port. The Howe Sound Mining Company purchased Holden Mine in 1930. Up to 600 people lived at Holden during peak operation of the mine. Though the Holden Mine was originally thought to contain enough ore to operate for fifty years, plummeting copper prices in the 1950s forced the mine to shut down after only twenty years of operation. During this time, \$66.5 million worth of copper, gold, silver, and zinc was extracted.

ATTRACTING ATTENTION

The mines of Stehekin did not make many people rich, but other visitors to the area saw that its lasting value lay not in the gold and silver hidden in the hills, but in its scenic grandeur.

Congress passed a bill in 1968 creating the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, and the Pasayten Wilderness.

Though the miners and trappers have long since left the area, their independence and self-reliant spirit live on in many of the hardy residents of the Valley. Only in 1963 did the Stehekin community acquire its own hydroelectric power plant. During the winter the ferryboat travels from Chelan to Stehekin with the mail and fresh food only three times a week.

Schools

The Lake Chelan School District enrolls approximately 1,379 students in 6 different schools: Chelan High, Chelan Middle, Chelan Preparatory, Glacier Valley High, Holden Village Community, and Morgen Owings Elementary. On time graduation rate is 77%.

Chelan Teacher Information:

Classroom Teachers: 81
Avg. Years of Teaching Experience: 14.1
Teachers with Master Degrees: 60.5%

Manson School District enrolls approximately 600 students in 2 schools: Manson Elementary and Manson Junior Senior High School. On time graduation rate is 91%.

Manson Teacher Information:

Classroom Teachers: 41
Avg. Years of Teaching Experience: 11
Teachers with Master Degrees: 65.9%

Chelan Valley Independent School (CVIS) is a private school that offers hands-on learning for pre-school through eighth grade. Enrollment is apx. 60 students.

Hospitals & Health Care

Lake Chelan has more than 200 professionally trained healthcare providers offering a full range of medical services. There are two medical clinics and a community hospital.

Lake Chelan Community Hospital (LCCH) has been a valuable member of the community for more than 60 years. It is a vital key in a healthcare network that extends through the state and beyond. Whether in the emergency room or inpatient and outpatient departments, the hospital's excellent family physicians and care team's ability to partner with larger facilities ensures a full range of quality medical services close to home. Local services include childbirth, lab, radiology, surgery, home health and physical therapy, as well as paramedic-level emergency ambulance care.

Columbia Valley Community Health

682-6000
317 E Johnson Ave
cvch.org

Lake Chelan Clinic

682-2511
219 E Johnson Ave

Lake Chelan Community Hospital

682-3300
503 E Highland Ave
lakechelanhospital.com



Agriculture

In agricultural circles, the shores of Lake Chelan are recognized for their world famous apples. Lake Chelan apples are known for their excellent taste, long shelf life, and superior color. Between 9,000-10,000 acres of the Chelan Valley are devoted to growing apples and other fruits. Although apples are the largest crop in the Valley, cherries, pears, apricots, peaches and wine grapes are also produced.

Wineries

With over 200 acres of wine grapes and 18 wineries, the Lake Chelan Valley is the ultimate wine-lovers vacation destination. The Lake Chelan Valley's young and lively wine scene is attracting attention from winemakers, grape growers and wine enthusiasts from throughout the region. Many wineries feature live summer music and savory dining options. Annual wine weekends include Red Wine & Chocolate, Spring Barrel Tasting and Lake Chelan Crush.

Climate

Chelan's arid climate and lack of rainfall make it a popular year-round destination among outdoor enthusiasts. The Valley experiences over 300 days of sunshine annually and has four distinct seasons. Despite the area's desert climate, agriculture abounds thanks to irrigation from the lake as well as the Columbia River.

Annual Precipitation:

Chelan & Manson: 12 in.
Stehekin/Upper Valley: 35 in.

Annual Snowfall: 39 in.

Average Lake Temperature: 60.5° F

AVERAGE ANNUAL TEMPERATURE (F):

MONTH	LOW	HIGH
January	19	32
February	27	40
March	31	49
April	39	62
May	50	72
June	53	75
July	62	91
August	63	94
September	54	81
October	40	61
November	41	49
December	19	40

Events

CRUIZIN CHELAN CLASSIC CAR SHOW — JUNE 3-4, 2011

Driver's licenses and classic car knowledge are not required to enjoy CruizIn Chelan Car Show. Kick off the summer season with this annual two-day event that features a Valley cruise, show & shine, live entertainment and activities for the whole family. Catch a show by renowned Elvis Impersonator Danny Vernon, test your skills at hula hoop hoopla, or take in a drive-in movie. For details and registration, log on at www.cruizinchelan.com.

SHORE TO SHORE MARATHON, HALF MARATHON & 10K RUN — SEPTEMBER 10, 2011

Runners from across the nation head to Lake Chelan for Shore to Shore Marathon, Half Marathon, and 10K. All races feature panoramic views of the lake and surrounding Cascade Mountains, making it one of the most scenic races in Washington State. Reward yourself by splashing in the crisp lake at a spectacular waterfront finish. The marathon's run course is a Boston Marathon qualifier.

RHYTHMS ON THE LAKE — OCTOBER 22, 2011

Indulge your senses at Rhythms on the Lake. Discover the soulful sounds of Northwest artists when paired with Lake Chelan Wine Valley's prized wines at Rhythms on the Lake Wine Walk. Stroll through unique downtown shops while savoring the latest releases from the Valley's burgeoning wine industry. North Central Washington's most creative musicians provide live entertainment at each stop. To view a complete list of performing artists, participating wineries and weekend festivities or to purchase tickets, visit www.chelanmusicfestival.com.

WINTERFEST: FIRE & ICE AT THE LAKE — JANUARY 13-15, 2012

On Martin Luther King Weekend, our charming small town transforms into a winter paradise for this annual weekend-long event. Marvel at the outdoor gallery of ice sculptures created by many talented Northwest sculptors. Always a Winterfest tradition, visitors will enjoy sleigh rides throughout Historic Downtown Chelan, which has been transformed into a winter playground with ice skating and other snow games. After a day in the snow, head to the Ice Lounge and enjoy hours of incredible music or warm up with a bowl of homemade chili and hot drinks around a fire pit. Take a stroll through charming downtown and taste many of the local wines at the 3rd annual Winterfest Wine Walk. Don't miss the traditional Winterfest "Fire & Ice" parade, the gigantic beach bonfire and dazzling fireworks show on Saturday evening. The weekend festivities continue on Sunday with a snow sculpting competition, more music and the final awards for the Ice and Snow sculptors. Find details at www.lakechelanwinterfest.com.

TRAX — FEBRUARY 17-19, 2012

Cross country skiing. Snowmobiles. Downhill skiing. Showshoes. Pick your trax! Lake Chelan Trax is a festival filled with blue skies, fresh air, and crystal-white snow. Pick your poison – we've got it! Choose from miles of cross-country trails surrounded by stunning scenery, powdery white snowmobile trails, wickedly fast tubing hills, or the family-friendly ski hill. Lake Chelan is most known for its beautiful glacier lake, but the area is also filled with incredible winter activities. Come join us over President's Weekend and discover the "other side" of Lake Chelan. More information at www.lakechelan-trax.com.

Frequently Used Numbers

ANIMAL CONTROL
682-9577

AUTO LICENSING
682-5813

CLINIC, COMMUNITY HEALTH
682-6000

CLINIC, LAKE CHELAN
682-2511

EMERGENCY
911

FIRE CHELAN
682-4476

FIRE MANSON
687-3222

FOREST SERVICE
682-4900

HOSPITAL
682-2531

KOZI LOCAL RADIO STATION
682-4033

LIBRARY, CHELAN
682-5131

LIBRARY, MANSON
687-3420

LICENSING DEPT.
682-5511

LIQUOR STORE
682-2425

MAYOR'S OFFICE
682-8018

MIRROR, LAKE CHELAN LOCAL NEWSPAPER
682-2213

PARK'S DEPT & LAKESHORE
682-8023

POLICE, NON-EMERGENCY
663-9911

PUD PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
682-2581

Churches in Chelan

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH
682-5111
515 E Woodin Ave

CHELAN CHRISTIAN CHURCH
682-2025
210 East Wapato Ave

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
682-5714
195 Manson Hwy SR 150

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
682-5135
Sanders & Okanogan

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
682-3176
816 E Wapato Ave

LAKE CHELAN LUTHERAN Church
682-9063
216 W Nixon Ave

LITTLE STONE CHURCH
682-5953
2133 W Woodin Ave

LAKE CHELAN UNITED Methodist Church
682-2241
Johnson & Emerson

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
682-5622
107 E Highland Ave

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
682-2851
120 E Woodin Ave

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC CHURCH
682-2433
215 W Allen Ave

VALLEY CHRISTIAN CENTER ASSEMBLY OF GOD
682-2610
204 W. Okanogan Ave

Churches in Manson

CHRISTIAN CENTER OF MANSON (ASSEMBLIES OF GOD)
687-6262
55 S Quetiloquasoon Rd

MANSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
687-3311
Green & Boetzkes

NORTH SHORE BIBLE CHURCH
687-3636
123 Wapato Point Pkwy

Internet Service Providers

DEEPWATER ELECTRONICS
682-4529
131 E Woodin Ave,
Chelan, WA 98816
deepwaterelectronics.com

LOCAL TEL COMMUNICATIONS
888-8888
(800) 992-2112
localtel.net

RABBIT MEADOWS TECHNOLOGY, LLC
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rabbitmeadows.com

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Electricity & Power

CHELAN COUNTY PUD
682-2581
fiber.chelanpud.org

Post Office

CHELAN POST OFFICE
682-2625
144 E Johnson Ave
Chelan, WA 98816

MANSON POST OFFICE
687-3212
85 W Wapato Way
Manson, WA 98831

Waste Disposal

CITY OF CHELAN
682-4037
135 E Johnson Ave
Chelan, WA 98816
cityofchelan.com

ZIPPY DISPOSAL SERVICE
682-5464
888-982-5464
60 Chelan Falls Rd.
Chelan, WA 98816

NORTH CENTRAL TRANSFER STATION (CITY DUMP)
682-5631
23235 Highway 97A
Chelan, WA 98816

RECYCLING, NORTH CHELAN COUNTY
682-4663
97A; 1.5 mi. N of town
Chelan, WA 98816

Water

CITY OF CHELAN
682-4037
135 E Johnson Ave
Chelan, WA 98816
cityofchelan.com

LAKE CHELAN RECLAMATION DISTRICT
687-3548
80 Wapato Way
Manson, WA 98831
lcrd.org