

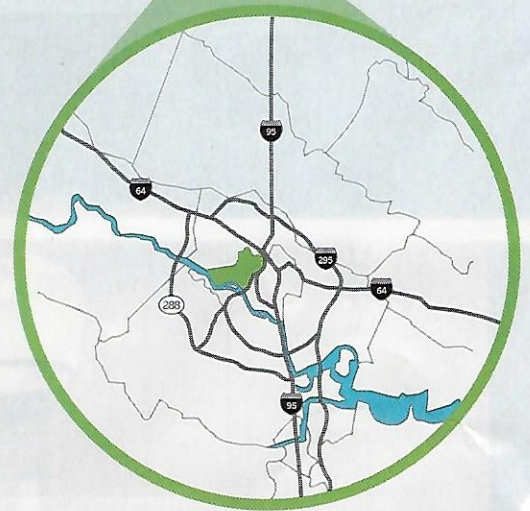


## THE CITY'S NEAR WEST END

The University of Richmond anchors this neighborhood of leafy trees and British street names.

### LOOKING FORWARD

There has been an extension on the closing of the 78-year-old Westhampton Theater located near Libbie and Grove avenues. Originally slated to be closed at the end of 2015, patrons still have a chance to catch a flick there until this summer. Early plans are being presented to redevelop the property under new owners Stefan Cametas and Jason Guillot of Westhampton LLC. The plans call for 85,000-square-feet of space including new restaurants, retail outlets and condos. The development will be called Westhampton on Grove with the first tenants projected to open as early as the first quarter of 2017.



### DID YOU KNOW?

An American Indian trail that once spanned eastern Richmond to the Blue Ridge Mountains became what's now known as Three Chopt Road. Originally called Three Notched Road, it was marked for travelers by chopping three notches on the trees that lined it. Lafayette, Washington and Jefferson are a few of the historical figures who made journeys along the road.

Craftsman and Colonial-style architecture predominate, and grand homes can be found just blocks away from cottages. The University of Richmond sits in the middle of it all, as do the private schools St. Christopher's and St. Catherine's.

### SHOPPING

The shops at Libbie and Grove are an upscale collection of antiques, wine, furniture, artisan chocolates and clothing. Patterson Avenue offers bakeries and gift shops.

### RECREATION

UR's rolling hills and off-road trails appeal to runners, and its lake is a great spot to see the ducks. Another enjoyable — if less extreme — sporting option is Mary Munford Elementary School, with grass fields, a top-notch playground, tennis and basketball

courts, four-square and plenty of neighborhood kids with whom to enjoy them.

### THE VIBE

A neighborhood that began between the two World Wars, the Near West End is a charming mishmash of styles. Tudor,

### ENTERTAINMENT

The Modlin Center for the Arts, on UR's campus, offers everything from ballet to comedy. UR sports teams are worth a ticket, too.