



## *Welcome to* **JOHN DAY**

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John Day is a warm and welcoming community of 1,700 located in the scenic high desert of Eastern Oregon. The area is known for its breathtaking landscapes, low cost of living, relaxed lifestyle, and abundant opportunities for four-season outdoor recreation.

John Day celebrates a rich history. In 1865, the town's first post office was established and by 1887 over 1,000 Chinese immigrants called the city home, drawn by a regional gold rush. The Kam Wah Chung heritage site in John Day preserves this early Chinese culture as both a state park and National Historic Landmark.

Today's residents appreciate John Day's small-town feel, affordability, rural culture, and easy access to the outdoors. This is a close-knit community where neighbors help neighbors and a sense of community pride is palpable.

A main attraction for residents and visitors alike is the stunning natural beauty that surrounds the town. To the south lies the Malheur National Forest and the Strawberry Mountains which rise to 9,000 feet. To the west is the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument, featuring colorful rock formations and the famous Painted Hills emblazoned with brilliant hues from bands of oxidized minerals. Flowing through town is the John Day River, one of the longest free-flowing rivers in the continental United States and the longest undammed tributary of the Columbia. The region offers ample opportunities for fishing, whitewater rafting, kayaking, hiking, cross-country skiing, or enjoying a scenic drive.

Sitting at an elevation of 3,087 feet, John Day is the largest city in Grant County. The city's central location and amenities make it a hub for county-wide facilities such as the hospital, fairgrounds, chamber of commerce, library, and Ogilve Field airport which has a helibase and training center for U.S. Forest Service Malheur Forest's rappeller firefighters. Commercial flights to the region are available through Pendleton airport 126 miles away and Redmond airport 135 miles away.

### **Why Apply?**

If you value a sense of community and are looking for a welcoming small town with exciting professional growth opportunities—this may be the right position for you. John Day offers an exceptional quality of life in beautiful Eastern Oregon with numerous outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, biking and hiking just moments away.