

As Temperatures Drop, Hometown Pride Heats Up: Fourth-Annual List Of America's Coziest Cities

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Bostonians Regain The Number One Spot And Six New Cities, Including Albany, N.Y., Are Dubbed 'Cozy' by Marketers of Honeywell Heaters

MARLBOROUGH, Mass., Feb. 1, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- No matter how strong your hometown pride is, as the temperatures drop and colder weather blankets the country this winter, some cities are simply considered cozier places to hunker down than others. Whether you're a busy city-dweller on the East Coast or a laid-back resident in a West Coast town, the definition of cozy can hold many similarities. For the fourth consecutive year, the marketers of Honeywell Heaters and environmental researchers have set out to define coziness and have revealed this year's list of America's Coziest Cities.

"A lot of consideration went into determining how the definition of coziness is evolving. For some, a small town nestled in the mountains might be cozy, whereas to others, a city with historic architecture and quaint, winding streets may also be cozy. Central to these themes is the ability to find refuge from winter with warmth and creature comforts," said Dr. Ted Myatt, an environmental scientist who partnered with the marketers of Honeywell Heaters to help determine the list. "This year, we looked at cities located within close proximity to ski resorts and also urban centers with a higher number of tiny homes, both of which could be associated with cozy environments. For consistency with years past, we also looked at the number of specialty stores per capita in each city including coffee shops, bakeries, bed and breakfasts, and independent grocers."

The top ten America's Coziest Cities are as follows:

Boston, Massachusetts
San Francisco, California
Seattle, Washington
Albany, New York
Portland, Oregon
Rochester, New York
Minneapolis, Minnesota
Sacramento, California
Denver, Colorado
Salt Lake City, Utah

Visit www.honeywellpluggedin.com/heaters/top-ten-coziest-cities to learn more about why each of these cities is considered so cozy.

Home is a place to escape the elements and to unwind—it should be safe, sound and of course, cozy. To help combat winter's chill, **Honeywell 360° Surround Heaters** are designed to create the ideal home environment with personalized warmth. These 360-degree portable electric heaters offer cozy all-around room heating. And, like all Honeywell portable electric heaters, which are backed by the **Safety Matters®** program, Honeywell 360° Surround Heaters offer enhanced safety features. These features include a 360° SafetyTip™ switch, which automatically shuts off the heater if tipped over in any direction, overheat protection, caution lights to alert users when a heater is turned on, and a cool-touch housing and handle.

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