Swarthmore

Incorporated in 1893, Swarthmore is a walkable community with tree lined streets, distinctive homes, interesting gardens, and a charming downtown. The downtown shopping district, nicknamed “The Ville”, features unique and independently owned shops, a variety of eateries, and a collection of personalized services. Central Park and the amphitheater, recent additions to the town, provide a delightful place to gather and enjoy a variety of family-friendly events and vibrant street festivals.

Make the village of Swarthmore your destination for a one-of-a-kind shopping experience. Enjoy strolling our charming town with friends and family while visiting unique independent stores and restaurants.

Farmer’s Market

Awarded “Best in Class” in 2016, the Farmer Market occurs every Saturday, rain or shine, from mid-May through early December, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm, in Swarthmore’s new Central Park. In addition to beautifully-raised fresh produce, meats, and dairy from area farms, the market offers an array of locally-made specialty food items including artisan baked goods, soups and sauces, iced treats, honey and maple syrup, wine, coffee, and teas. The market is also your destination for live music, hand-crafted art, children’s activities, and health and wellness activities for the whole family.

Swarthmore CO-OP

Since its founding in 1937 as a cooperative food market, the CO-OP has evolved to offer area residents a convenient shopping destination for high quality and fresh produce, meats, seafood, specialty and grocery products. The CO-OP’s mission of promoting healthy, delicious foods, and its focus on educational and event programming has made it a commercial and social hub for surrounding Delaware County communities.

Public Gardens

Swarthmore’s public gardens are a testament to its community spirit and love of the environment. The Swarthmore Horticultural Society maintains 13 public gardens and volunteers replant them twice a year for seasonal interest and color. Each garden aims to enhance and honor its setting. For example, the garden at the Swarthmore CO-OP uses edible plants as unusual ornamentals. All of the gardens together provide a wonderful uplift to visitors and residents alike.

Community Events

Food Truck-a-Thon (April & December)
Featuring over 20 food trucks and local culinary vendors.

Swarthmore Makers Market (May & Nov)
A unique artisan market celebrating craftsmanship and design.

Fine Arts & Crafts Festival (September)
Live music, fine food, children’s activities, and the work of over 50 regional artists.

Thursday Night Live (June - September)
An outdoor summer concert series showcasing well-loved local musicians.

Home for the Holidays (December)
Our annual celebration of winter traditions.
Swarthmore Town Center

Shopping

1. Compendium contemporary clothes and accessories for the girl with her own style
   6 Park Avenue
   610.543.0283

2. Gallery on Park
   local Fine Art and handcrafted gifts
   104 Park Avenue
   484.283-5938

3. Harvey Oak Mercantile (HOM)
clothing, jewelry, specialty gifts and decor
   102 Park Avenue
   610.328.1521

4. Houseplant Hospital
   houseplant rehabilitation, education, and sales
   78 S. Chester Road
   267.992.8785

5. Kandy Kids Toys and Gifts
   children's toys, clothing, and more
   5 S. Chester Road
   215.687.6740

6. King Jewelers
   fine and custom design pieces, watch and jewelry repair
   409 Dartmouth Avenue
   610.328.2898

7. Paulson Rug Company
   fine orientals and broadloom carpeting
   100 Park Avenue
   610.543.6000

8. Poco Loco
   women's clothing and jewelry
   19 S. Chester Road
   610.328.6308

9. Robyn Roderick Fine Art Appraisals
   art appraisal and restoration services
   407 Dartmouth Avenue
   610.308.7789

10. Swarthmore Campus and Community Store
gifts, school, office, and art supplies, collegiate apparel and more
    4 S. Chester Road
    610.328.7756

11. Swarthmore Flower and Gift Shop
    retail florist and floral arrangements
    17 S. Chester Road
    610.544.9732

12. Swarthmore True Value Hardware
    retail hardware and repair services
    11 S. Chester Road
    610.543.0105

13. waR3hous3
    antiques and collectibles, performance arts
    100 Park Avenue WH-3
    610.328.3280

14. Aria Mediterranean
    Mediterranean cuisine for take-out or eat-in
    405 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.543.2701

15. Bamboo Bistro
    Chinese and Japanese cuisine for take-out or eat-in
    333 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.328.6888

16. Broad Table Tavern
    authentic farm to table dining
    10 S. Chester Road
    610.543.7500

17. Dunkin Donuts/Baskin Robbins
    coffee specialties, donuts, ice cream and more
    1 S. Chest Road
    484-472-8891

18. The Head Nut
    dried fruits, nuts, spices, sweets, and more
    413 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.543.0383

19. Hobbs Coffee
    gourmet coffee and food
    1 Park Avenue
    610-541-0122

20. Occasionally Yours
catering and eatery, homemade specials daily
    10 Park Avenue
    610.328.9360

21. Renato Pizza
    pizza, stromboli, and sandwiches
    8 Park Avenue
    610.544.2300

22. Swarthmore CO-OP
    groceries, deli, and prepared food specialties
    341 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.543.9805

23. Vicky's Place
    breakfast and lunch
    417 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.328.2453

Wellness and Beauty

24. Co-Ed Beauty Salon
    hair salon and beauty services
    13 Park Avenue
    610.328.5885

25. High Volume Hair Studio
    full service, family friendly hair salon
    9 S. Chester Road
    484.471.3264

26. Indigo Healing Arts Collective
    collective of healers offering yoga, massage, counseling, and an apothecary
    110 Park Avenue, 2nd floor
    610.308.0010

27. Lil Boutique Nail Care
    manicure, pedicure, waxing and nail supplies
    14 Park Avenue
    610.543.1475

28. The Pilates Connexion
    Pilates instruction, barre, TRX, and more.
    15 S. Chester Road
    610.544.3730

Services

29. Bryn Mawr Trust
    personal and business banking, wealth management & retirement
    330 Dartmouth Avenue
    610.544.9998

30. D. Patrick Welsh Real Estate
    real estate sales and rentals
    16 Park Avenue
    610.543.0560

31. Executive Cleaners
    dry cleaning and tailoring
    13 S. Chester Avenue
    610.544.8441

32. Garnet Cleaners
    dry cleaning and tailoring
    100 Park Avenue, #B
    610.544.6400

33. The Inn at Swarthmore
    10 S. Chester Road
    610.544.2500

34. The Kitchin Allstate Agency
    life and retirement products, commercial insurance, home and auto coverage
    11 Park Avenue
    610.459.4450

35. Open Sky Energy
    residential and commercial solar installation
    6 Park Avenue (rear)
    610.544.1214

36. PNC Bank
    personal and business banking, wealth management & retirement
    31 S. Chester Road
    610.604.5230

37. Swarthmore Barbershop
    old school barbering with a modern twist
    415 Dartmouth Avenue
    484.472.7793

38. Swarthmore Hair Studio
    Aveda studio featuring hair styling, cuts, custom color
    4 Park Avenue
    610.544.6620

39. Wellness on Park
    Massage therapy, acupuncture, energy medicine, yoga, and more
    100 Park Avenue, 2nd Floor
    610.228.4242
Swarthmore College, a highly selective college of liberal arts and engineering, has empowered students to pursue their intellectual interests with purpose since 1864. The College is private, yet open to all regardless of financial need. The diversity of perspectives represented by Swarthmore students, faculty, and staff—including different viewpoints, identities, and histories—contributes to the community’s strong sense of open dialogue and engagement with ideas and issues. A student/faculty ratio of 8:1 ensures that students have close, meaningful engagement with their professors. Swarthmore’s idyllic, 425-acre arboretum campus features rolling lawns, a creek, wooded hills, and hiking trails, and is located just 11 miles from Philadelphia.

Discover Swarthmore

Swarthmore is a vibrant community that boasts tree lined streets, award-winning schools, and architecturally interesting and varied housing options. An active arts and music scene enhances the vibrancy of the town center, and civic groups and small town traditions contribute to the town character. Traditions include the 4th of July Bike Races, Rotary Club Fun Fair, Swarthmore Swim Club Water Show, Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt, Swarthmore Santa, and more. SEPTA train service is located in the center of town, making Center City Philadelphia easily accessible to residents and visitors.