



Where to Retire Magazine Ranks Raleigh's Bedford at Falls River Among 100 Best

RALEIGH, N.C. – Wakefield Development Company's master-planned community, Bedford at Falls River, has been named one of America's top 100 communities by the national publication *Where to Retire* magazine.

Listed among the top ranked active adult and age restricted communities across the country, Bedford stands out as being a community that not only appeals to the retirement market, but all ages and lifestyles.

"It's an honor to be recognized by a publication of this caliber. *Where to Retire* is an authority on retirement living," said John Myers, President of Wakefield Development Company. "It also reiterates that North Carolina is becoming a popular option for retirees, and that helps enhance the Triangle's image as a thriving market for all age groups."

Bedford, a Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND), is described as "a pedestrian friendly small town... a neighborly community with sidewalks, front porches, pocket parks, picnics, potluck dinners and family socials," in the *Where to Retire* July/August 2005 edition.

Bedford's builder team has assembled a wide mix of home styles that appeal to all age groups, according to Myers, but certain styles are more attractive to the retirement market. "Specifically, the patio homes in Bedford's Riverwalk Collection, K. Hovnanian Homes' Villas with low-maintenance exteriors and Preservation Homes Bungalows are popular with retirement age residents," he said. According to sales statistics, townhomes – such as those built by 1st American Builders, Orleans Homebuilders and The Charleston Collection – are the most common style purchased by retirees at Bedford. Wakefield estimates retirees may have purchased up to 60 percent of the community's townhomes. The community has sold over 800 of a planned 1,850 homes.

ABOUT BEDFORD AT FALLS RIVER

Bedford at Falls River, a Wakefield Development Company community, revives the traditional neighborhood setting and atmosphere while combining modern conveniences of today's homes. For more information about the community, please visit www.BedfordTradition.com, call 919-792-0100, or visit the Welcome Center at 4390 Falls River Ave., Raleigh, NC 27614.

ABOUT WAKEFIELD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

Wakefield Development Company is the Triangle's largest developer of residential communities, with a portfolio that includes over 14,000 home sites. In addition to the 2004 NCHBA Community of the Year, Bedford at Falls River, the company has six other communities under development across the Raleigh-Wake County market, including Wakefield Plantation, Eagle Ridge, Edgewater, Cornerstone, Delta Ridge and Twin Lakes. Wakefield has also begun development of Mackintosh on the Lake, a new 612-acre community between I-85/I-40 and Lake Mackintosh in Burlington, and will begin development of two new communities, Renaissance Park and Twelve Oaks. For more information, call 919-556-4310, visit www.WakefieldCommunities.com, or email info@wakedev.com.

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