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What do you love about Saint Louis?

I was born and raised in the enchanting state of Kerala, India, where I developed a deep appreciation for diverse cultures. It has always been my passion to understand and embrace the uniqueness of each culture I encounter, finding joy in discovering commonalities between myself and the people I meet. Being a naturally sociable person, I found it effortless to make friends when I moved to St. Louis. Over

time, these friendships have grown so strong that my circle of friends has become more like a family to me, and I cherish these relationships dearly.

What I love most about St. Louis is its people. They are incredibly friendly and open, always eager to form new friendships. I even had a unique experience of learning how to fill gas in my car from a kind stranger in St. Louis, which speaks volumes about the welcoming nature of the locals. This city has provided me with a strong support system, and I have made many friends along the way. St. Louis is a melting pot of different ethnicities and cultures, resulting in a vibrant and diverse community. The variety of cuisines available here, including fantastic Indian restaurants, satisfies my nostalgic cravings and brings back fond memories. One of the city's greatest assets is its natural beauty, with picturesque views such as Creve Coeur Lake and Forest Park. WashU holds a special place in my heart as it fulfills my curiosity to learn from others, their ideas, and success stories. I occasionally attend talks there and fell in love with the institution when my husband pursued his executive MBA. St. Louis is home to remarkable attractions like the Art Museum, Saint Louis Zoo, and Botanical Garden, which I hold dear. The presence of wineries adds another delightful dimension to the city, and there are also numerous nearby scenic drives that offer memorable experiences. St. Louis truly excels in offering a blend of culture, art, music, cuisines, nature, sports, and education. The presence of great schools further enhances its appeal.