

Elizabeth City Historic Districts

The City of Elizabeth City is currently home to seven (7) National Historic Districts included on the National Register of Historic Places. Entries with an asterisk (*) in front of the name are partially or wholly within the Downtown area.

1. ***Elizabeth City National Historic District** – Primarily located within the downtown Central Business District and surrounding residential sections, including portions of West Main Street and Selden Street (recently updated and expanded, September 2021)
2. ***Expansion to Elizabeth City National Historic District** – Primarily enlarges the West Main Street portion of the existing Elizabeth City National Historic District from 1977 by adding residential areas to the north, south, and west of the original district.
3. **Elizabeth City State Teachers College Historic District** – Located on the campus of Elizabeth City State University, this district encompasses six contributing buildings and one contributing site originally built for the State Colored Normal School at Elizabeth City.
4. ***Shepard Street-South Road Street Historic District** – Predominantly located south of Ehringhaus Street, this district encompasses residential properties along South Street, Shepard Street, and Herrington Road, along with a multitude of historic African American owned businesses.
5. **Riverside Historic District**- located predominantly in the residential area of Riverside Ave. along Agawam and Raleigh Streets.
6. ***Northside Historic District**- predominantly residential area located north of Elizabeth St. This district covers properties on North Rd. St. Burgess Street, Cypress Street, Pearl Street, 1st St. Walnut, St. Etheredge St. Martin Luther King. In Greenleaf St. totaling 298 contributing structures.
7. ***Elizabeth City Industrial Historic District**-This district includes five city blocks and is bounded on the northwest by the Northside National Register Historic District and Mid-Atlantic Christian University. Elizabeth St. extends South of the district, separating it from the Elizabeth City National Register Historic District. This district includes 12 primary, industrial and commercial resources, including buildings and building complexes on site. The district is entirely industrial. (Newest District, Added April 2021)