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PRESS RELEASE

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**Ocean Springs One of the Best Places to Live in Mississippi**

(Ocean Springs, MS) - Ocean Springs has made the list of the top ten places to live in Mississippi dubbed as a cultural community featuring an incredible arts scene and lots of ethnic eateries.

Only in Your State reported on a HomeSnacks article showcasing the best places to live in Mississippi. HomeSnacks, an online "infotainment" source that combines data, videos and thoughts about local culture into bite-sized snacks of sharable information has published their list of "10 Best Places to Live in Mississippi for 2018".

After analyzing 61 places looking at data such as median home values, median income, education levels and other factors of communities with populations over 5300, the website named its top ten including Ocean Springs as one of the best places to live.

With a population of more than 17,000 residents and a home value of \$151,000, Ocean Springs moved up in ranks from the previous year's list.

HomeSnacks said of the town, "Residents here earn a really high salary each year, and crime is fairly low, in comparison to the rest of Mississippi. It's considered a cultural community, as it boasts an arts scene, and many ethnic restaurants, too. Which means you can't be bored here."

For more information on Ocean Springs, contact the Ocean Springs Chamber of Commerce-Main Street-Tourism Bureau at 228-875-4424 or stop by the Ocean Springs Visitor Center located at 1000 Washington Avenue.

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