

Little Falls, VA

A Name For All



Embracing Religious Pluralism

With less than a third of Falls Church residents identifying as religious, down from 41% in 2010, it's crucial to promote a welcoming environment for people of all beliefs and non-believers alike.



Addressing a Troubling Past

The current name, Falls Church, overlooks the city's complex history with indigenous peoples and enslaved laborers. Renaming the city to Little Falls would help acknowledge and address these important historical aspects.

Strengthening Historical Connections

As we trace the city's history back to the intersection of significant Native American trails and its connection to the Little Falls of the Potomac River, renaming the city to Little Falls highlights these meaningful roots.

Renaming the city to Little Falls not only aligns with its historical origins at the crossroads of vital Native American trails, but also reinforces the city's bond with the Little Falls of the Potomac River.

Pre-colonial: Indigenous peoples inhabit the area

1733: Original wooden Falls Church building is constructed

1769: The current brick Falls Church was constructed

1817: The Village of Falls Church grows around the church

1875: Falls Church gains township status within Fairfax

1887: South Falls Church is retroceded back to Fairfax

1890: Majority African American districts ceded to Fairfax

1948: City of Falls Church becomes independent city

2023: Movement to rename Falls Church to "Little Falls" begins