Many letter carriers dream of retiring to a nice, sunny location, and Nalcrest is their dream come true. Even in the coldest January, daytime temperatures still hover in the comfortable mid-70s.

Located in sunny Central Florida, Nalcrest is conveniently located midway between the Gulf Coast and the Atlantic Coast, about an hour’s drive from Tampa and an hour south of Orlando. You’ll have access to the best of Florida, but away from the crowds.

Spanning 153 acres, Nalcrest lies on 15-square-mile Lake Weohyakapka (Lake Walk-In-The-Water) and is a haven for boating and fishing enthusiasts.

There’s always something to do at Nalcrest, with an Olympic-size swimming pool, recreation and exercise facilities, a small town center and a driving range.

The low rents make this letter carrier-only community the perfect spot for either year-long residency or a wonderful getaway from the relentless cold winters in the North. One-bedroom apartments lease for only $395 a month, and efficiencies for $365 a month, water and basic cable included.

Nalcrest—Your place in the sun
Nalcrest was NALC President William Doherty’s vision to give letter carriers a place to rest their weary feet after a lifetime of carrying America’s mail, and the dream came true in 1953. There have been a lot of changes since Nalcrest first opened its doors, but it still remains the perfect retirement spot for America’s letter carriers.

Nalcrest’s 500 apartments are conveniently clustered in 66 single-story buildings spread evenly over 153 acres around two large lagoons. Another undeveloped 150 acres surround the complex. Then there’s 15-square-mile Lake Weohyakapka (Lake Walk-In-The-Water), edged with oak trees dripping with Spanish moss. The lake forms a scenic backdrop for Nalcrest’s recreation area and sports complex.

A bustling town center is home to Nalcrest’s management office plus a cluster of conveniences, such as a laundromat, small market, restaurant, barbershop, hair salon and chapel. Residents look after the town center’s lending library for books and videos, and there is also a game/billiards room and TV lounge.

If accepted, you are willing to sign a lease and begin rent payments effective: (You must specify a date. However, you need not occupy or furnish the apartment immediately upon signing lease.)

Signature:

Date:

Nalcrest residents can enjoy the complex’s hot tub and heated, Olympic-size swimming pool year-round, not to mention shuffleboard, horseshoes, basketball, bocce, miniature golf and tennis. The softball field and driving range are located a short walk from the lake.

Nalcrest also is known for its richness in its wildlife. A simple stroll around the lagoons might reveal an alligator or two, sandhill cranes and their tiny chicks, majestic eagles — and even wild turkeys right outside your front door.

The community’s fitness center is free and contains exercise equipment to suit every fitness level. And there are clubs of all kinds that bring like-minded residents together for project planning, instruction, community service or simple socializing.

Nalcrest is open to NALC members in good standing—just one more reason to keep paying your union dues after retirement! Interested NALC members can come take a look at Nalcrest and even stay in one of the branch apartments that are available for rent. Nalcrest has two guest apartments that can be rented as well (three-night minimum, $50/night; call 863-696-1121 for rental information).

Visit for a day and you’ll make plans to stay!