Situated in the center of Giles County, the town is located on a plateau above the New River and is nestled up against Angels Rest and Pearis Mountain. As the county seat of Giles County, Pearisburg was established when Captain George Pearis donated 53 acres in 1806. By 1832, the town contained thirty homes, churches, public and private schools, general mercantiles, taverns, tanyards, a shoe factory, shops of haters, cabinet and chair makers, and professional offices for attorneys and a doctor.

As a trail town, Pearisburg encourages hikers to stop, resupply, get a good night’s rest, and explore the community. Over 1,000 hikers pass through this community annually.

Our small-town charm and genuine hometown atmosphere prevails year round. It’s a relaxed community where local merchants often call customers by their first names and a friendly wave from a passing motorist is an everyday thing. Many people, after visiting Pearisburg, have said, “Small town, good people...this is just the place we were looking for!”