

QUICK FACT FRIDAY



Traveling on the King's Highway

The King's Highway was a roughly 1,300-mile road built by the order of King Charles II and laid out across the American colonies connecting Boston to Charleston. The section that connected the South Carolina/North Carolina border to Charles Town, known as "Georgetown Road", was completed in 1735. By the 1750s, the route was usable by wagons and played a pivotal role in trade and Revolutionary War efforts. The section of highway that passed through Mount Pleasant became one of the first coastal roadways serving as a colonial post road for the delivery of mail. During his famous tour of the south in 1791, George Washington traveled this route and noted extensively in his diary.

The old King's Highway/Old Georgetown Road had a great influence on life in Mount Pleasant in the 1700s. It was this road that allowed for the expansion of Charles Town east of the Cooper River as early Mount Pleasant residents could get from their homes to the various ferries serving the area.

Most of the old King's Highway/Georgetown Road in Mount Pleasant is now Coleman Boulevard. This route cuts through the heart of old Mount Pleasant and is as crucial an artery for the town now as it was in the 1700s.


For more information: [SC Battleground Trust / Mount Pleasant Revolutionary War Map](#), [Mount Pleasant Historical Marker Map](#), [Historical Markers in Mount Pleasant](#) and [South Carolina Traveler](#).

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