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Everyone loves the state they live in but do you know why I love Vermont, 1 because the air is so clean and small towns. 2 percenely skiing and mountain biking are some of my favorite sports and when you live in Vermont there are mountains everywhere that you can ski and mountain biking. 3 we have clean water and great swimming holes.

Have you ever gone to a big city and the air smells like gas? In Vermont it just smells like the outdoors. You don't have to go inside to get fresh air like in big cities the fresh air is outside. We take the fresh air for granted. Over last summer break I went to Boston then I started to realize how fortunate we really are. The air provides life to live and for all of us to live and the town is so small that all you need is only a couple minutes away and it is all fresh grown at two farms in the town which is good because you know where it came from. Some grocery stores get food from companies that don't know where the food came from.

I love to ski and mountain bike. Around here we have so many opportunities to ski and mountain bike. For example we have 3 mountains close by for skiing and a whole trail system through the valley for mountain biking. We are so grateful we get a good amount of snow in the winter so we can ski a long time because that is what everyone likes. We hope we have a good summer which is rare but we hope. Obviously we want a little rain for the farms now and then but we love mountain biking because we can mountain bike everywhere in town and on the trails. We can even bike to dinner. Mountain biking is fun too, so that's why we love it and are so fortunate that people take time out of their lives to build and maintain these trails.

Lastly, we have very clean water in Vermont and we have loads of fun swimming. I love clean water because, one, we need it to survive and a lot of states and countries are in a drought or don't have very clean water like we do so I feel really grateful that we have all this clean water. Two, we love to swim in Vermont and if we don't have clean water we can't swim but we do and we have great swimming holes that are very fun.

In conclusion Vermont is the best place to live with the best skiing and mountain biking, cleanest air and best swimming.