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# Google outlines real estate plans for Texas in 2021

## Austin to remain its flagship city but Houston hiring in the works

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California-headquartered Google LLC announced March 18 it plans to invest \$50 million in Texas this year in office space and data center sites.

The internet search giant's Lone Star State plans are part of the company's intention to spend \$7 billion and create 10,000 new full-time jobs throughout the country this year.

The company said it spans more than 550,000 square feet in downtown Austin at its three locations at 100 Congress Ave., 901 E. Fifth St. and 500 W. Second St.

### *Inside Google's tower on Second Street*

Another 750,000 square feet at 601 W. Second St., the Block 185 development, is scheduled to open in 2023, Google said.

"I believe a lasting economic recovery will come from local communities, and the people and small businesses that give them life," said Sundar Pichai, CEO of Google and its parent company Alphabet Inc. (Nasdaq: GOOG), in a statement. "Google wants to be a part of that recovery."



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Google is building this sail-like tower now near the banks of Lady Bird Lake.

Google employs 1,700 throughout Texas. It operates a data center in Midlothian, and in May plans to finish building its first Houston office. The company will occupy one floor spanning 11,000 square feet at 3663 Washington Ave.

A company spokeswoman, [in an article about big technology companies returning to the office soon](#), told Austin Business Journal earlier this month that Google employs about 1,100 people in Austin. Google's state-by-state economic development reports that lay out expansion efforts across the country can be found [here](#).

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