

Community Infrastructure

In Bexar County, you will find unparalleled commitment and cooperation among local stakeholders to increase the region's competitiveness. Moreover, the community has strong, visionary leadership from County and City government, the business community and academia. The community in Bexar County is also preparing for the workforce need of the 21st century by creating a powerful pipeline of talent that prepares our workforce from high school through graduate level studies.

- The Information Technology and Security Academy prepares high school students for careers or advanced training in high tech fields.
- The University of Texas at San Antonio and Our Lady of the Lake University have been certified as Centers of Excellence by the National Security Agency.
- Numerous post-secondary programs focusing on Information Assurance, Cyber Security and Management of Technology to teach students the skills they need for the jobs of tomorrow.

Data Centers

The temperate climate and low risk for natural disasters make Bexar County an ideal location for corporate data centers. In the past year, the following companies have selected Bexar County as the site for major data center operations:

- Microsoft Corporation
- Lowe's
- National Security Agency

Bexar County is also proud to be home Rackspace Managed Hosting, the fastest-growing managed hosting specialist in the world. The home grown company also reflects Bexar County's friendly atmosphere: named Rackspace Managed Hosting CEO Graham Weston as one of the country's Best Bosses for 2006.

Telecommunications

Being the corporate headquarters for AT&T, Bexar County is the first test market for a variety of cutting edge telecommunications systems, including the next generation of Internet Protocol-based voice, video and data (U-verse).

Other cutting-edge technologies developed locally include:

- The first VLSI implementation of the IEEE 802.11b wireless LAN protocol known as WiFi.
- The invention of the first commercial Local Area Network, first microcomputer and first client-server computer system.

Corporate Information Technology

In addition to companies whose primary line of business is to design, manufacture and service technology-related products, a host of other technology-related opportunities exist in Bexar County.

Businesses with headquarters or regional offices have also chosen Bexar County as the home for their corporate IT functions.

- Christus Healthcare provides staff support to locations in Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico and Oklahoma from its Bexar County offices.
- American Funds ranked # 3 on the Computer World list of 100 Best Places to Work in IT.
- USAA employs over 2,000 IT workers in Bexar County and ranked # 17 on the Computer World list of 100 Best Places to Work in IT.

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