

# Temple



EACH TEMPLE CORNER UNCOVERS UNIQUE STYLES AND DIVERSE PERSONALITIES THAT BECKON YOUNG PROFESSIONALS, FAMILIES AND ANYONE IN SEARCH OF WIDE-OPEN OPPORTUNITIES.



The heart of Central Texas offers the perfect compromise between a diverse and welcoming family-friendly community and the hustle of a big city.

For residents looking to leave behind the frustrations, traffic congestion and higher costs of nearby metros Austin and Dallas, Temple offers more bang for your buck. Living in Temple comes with lower costs for everything from housing to groceries, combined with excellent schools, parks and perks for residents, strike a balance between affordability and livability.

Temple currently has \$366 million in improvements underway to improve quality of life for residents. Around town or across the street, Temple is brimming with neighborhoods and amenities as exceptional as our residents.

### **Family Friendly Community that's Fit for Families**

Water parks, workshops and worship halls are just three reasons Temple, Texas, is one of the best places to live in Texas for families.

In a state where everything is bigger, Temple residents have access to the great outdoors through organized sports, trail systems, lakes and waterways, and regional and state parks. Residents have the chance to learn at Temple's museums, cultural centers and library. Adults and youth get a front-row seat to Texas' abounding history through places and programs that dive into local railroads, military, heritage, arts and culture.

With Temple College and the University of Texas at Austin nearby, Temple is a popular choice for students and young professionals looking for a more affordable cost of living, especially when compared to downtown Austin.

Temple also offers a variety of historic districts, similar to Clarksville and Rosedale in Austin, where you can find beautiful homes and condos with a low-key atmosphere. Steps from the shores of Belton Lake and nestled in shaded nooks is room to roam in West Temple. Locals get their choice of outdoor amenities, such as the lake and Miller Springs, noshing lakeside on scenic coffeehouse patios and soaking in cultural events at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.

Move across town to the ranch and bungalow homes that make up the tight-knit community of East Temple. And its suburban bliss with all the amenities in Midway, home to a healthcare hub comprised of the state's most prominent medical facilities. Austin neighborhoods such as Mueller, Bouldin Creek, South Lamar lack the affordability that Temple offers. With easy access to the best of Austin neighborhoods, Temple locals enjoy more affordable real estate, a lower cost of living and a slower pace of life in the heart of Central Texas.

### **Education**

The City of Temple is serviced by four independent public school districts. These districts operate independently from the City of Temple, guided by their own administrations and funded by their own taxes. Students are zoned for a particular district based on their address. Temple Independent School District has 8 elementary schools, 3 middle schools and 1 high school.

Belton Independent School District (BISD), overlaps into the City of Temple on the west and southwest side of the city. Enrollment is approximately 12,600. BISD is highly regarded for its strong academic standing and top-rated programs in both elementary and secondary schools.



Academy ISD has an enrollment of 998 students and was rated "Recognized" by the Texas Education Agency based on 1999 - 2000 Student performance data. AISD offers a comprehensive curriculum including the following programs: Gifted and Talented, Alternative Education, School to Work, Career and Technology, Dyslexia, Special Education, English as a Second Language, and Section 504.

Troy Independent School District was established in 1896 to serve the children in the communities of Troy, Pendleton, Little Mexico, Belfalls and Oenaville. Located on I35 between Waco and Temple, Texas, Troy is a rural, agricultural-based community with small businesses and manufacturing companies.

#### **Private Schools**

Central Texas Christian School  
Holy Trinity Catholic High School  
Saint Mary's School

#### **Higher Education**

Area Colleges and Universities  
Temple College (Temple)  
University of Mary Hardin Baylor (Belton)  
Central Texas College (Killeen)  
Texas A&M Central Texas (Killeen)

#### **Workforce**

University graduates to vocational workers and military veterans are part of the intelligent, trained and energetic Temple, TX workforce. Technology, engineering and services companies benefit from professionals drawn from higher education institutions like University of Mary Hardin-Baylor and local STEM education programs. Graduates from the Texas A&M Health Science Center and College of Medicine create community impact using progressive healthcare systems and technologies, while the Texas Bioscience Institute develops next generation biotechnology innovators.

Veterans are a key opportunity for Temple employers. Ft. Cavazos (formerly Ft. Hood), the largest active-duty armored post in the U.S., is less than 30 miles away, and many retirees choose to live and work in Temple. Plus, Temple's affordable cost of living, family-friendly culture and access to major metros such as Austin help companies successfully recruit.

In Central Texas' burgeoning business center, major employers and companies in Temple are thriving in a pro-business climate with lower costs on land, real estate and workforce.

Expanding businesses and corporate headquarters leverage the area's reliable transportation and infrastructure networks. Major employers in the region, including Walmart, Performance Food Group and other companies that specialize in distribution, warehouse and logistics, can move with ease and at costs less than the national average.

Temple is home to an innovative health and life sciences sector, anchored by the nationally known Baylor Scott & White Health, as well as technology, financial and professional services.

In manufacturing, companies benefit from skilled workers and unparalleled access to the rest of the U.S. via I-35. Niagara Bottling and East Penn Manufacturing Co. recently capitalized on those assets, announcing multimillion-dollar investments in Central Texas.

Well-established and well-supported, Temple business sectors include global and national frontrunners in the top industries of Texas: manufacturing, business services, health and life sciences, and logistics and distribution.

Connectivity and proximity to major markets go a long way in a region 2.5 hours from 28 million people in cities such as Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, San Antonio, Houston and Austin. Additionally, Temple is only a 5-hour drive to the border of Mexico. Bustling interstates, rail systems and five airports streamline point A to point B for Temple products and people. Business moves in Temple at 15% less than the national average and with financial and tax incentives designed for bigger bottom lines.

Downtown is Temple's heartbeat with new green spaces, shopping and dining that beckons family fun, date nights and weekends off. Historic meets hip as buildings from times past are being preserved and re-energized as lofts and apartments fit for lively lifestyles.