

Round Rock



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Round Rock is a thriving city that has become a major center for economic development in Central Texas, while cultivating an excellent quality of life. We are home to global companies and thousands of innovative small businesses, but it is our award-winning schools, healthcare, and fine neighborhoods that really make Round Rock a great place to call home.

Just fifteen miles away from downtown Austin, residents enjoy all the conveniences of a big city plus the closeness and atmosphere of a small town. We are recognized for our award-winning master plan, park system, and school district, while being one of the safest, most affordable cities in the country.

In terms of square mileage, Round Rock isn't very big, but you'll find that it has everything you need to succeed. Round Rock offers top talent, superior real estate, an unparalleled quality of life, and is home to world-class businesses.

Ideally situated along Interstate 35, just north of the state capitol in Austin and Austin-Bergstrom International Airport, Round Rock offers easy access to hospitals, colleges, world-class shopping, hotels, museums, and more. Round Rock is one of the nation's most economically vibrant cities, and we are committed to supporting, encouraging, and fostering success in our community.

Need third-party proof of why Round Rock is such a great place to work and live? Check out this list of superlatives...

- Round Rock is the ninth most-livable mid-sized city in the U.S. according to a 2020 study by financial technology company Smart Asset.

- Leading the Way Award - ETC Institute awarded the City of Round Rock with its "Leading the Way Award" for its outstanding achievement in the delivery of services to residents in 2020.

- Most recession-resistant cities. The study, which lists Round Rock at No. 11, looked at cities across the country to determine which were best situated to weather an economic downturn taking into account employment, housing and social assistance. SmartAsset.

- Round Rock ranked #2 on the 2020 Money list of Best Places to Live. Round Rock's robust economy and excellent public school system were emphasized, along with a great support network for businesses large and small. The article also noted quality of life amenities like Old Settlers Park and the Dell Diamond.

- The Milken Institute ranked the Round Rock-Austin metro area third in the nation in its 2020 Best Performing Cities series, tracking the economic performance of metros across the country for more than two decades.

- Best city in America to buy a house in 2019 by Niche. The researchers considered multiple factors in determining the ranking, including a location's home values, taxes, crime rates, and the quality of local schools.

VIBRANT LIFESTYLE

Shop and stroll through our Downtown District and take in the historic architecture, art installations, and local eateries, or cheer for your team at one of the City's state-of-the-art sports facilities, including Dell Diamond, home of the Round Rock Express. Splash the day away all year round at America's Largest Indoor Waterpark at Round Rock's Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, or try your hand at arcade games and escape rooms at Tom Foolerys Adventure Park.

Round Rock has thirty-four developed parks and trail corridors gracing over 1,700 acres. Old Settlers Park is the crown jewel, offering a generous 570 acres of rolling countryside for local events and festivals. Round Rock offers specialized parks, too, including the Dog Depot Dog Park, the Play for All Abilities Park, Prete Main Street Plaza, Centennial Plaza, and the Shaylah Dame Skate Park.

THE CITY HAS TWO RECREATION CENTERS:

Clay Madsen Recreation Center, a 50,500-square-foot facility with two basketball courts, a weight room, aerobics classes, an indoor swimming pool, and more.

Allen R. Baca Center for Senior and Community Activities hosts programs for adults ages 50 and up and features an arts-and-crafts room, lunchroom, kitchen, computer lab, patio, workout room, and dance room.

SPORTS

The Sports Capital of Texas capitalizes on state-of-the-art facilities for youth, amateur and semi-professional sports to provide a perfect playground for a diverse offering of athletic events throughout the year. The 2020 sports calendar featured the Big 12 College Soccer Championships, US Lacrosse Women's Collegiate Lacrosse Associates (WCLA) Division I and Division II National Championships, NIRSA National Flag Football Championships.

LIVE MUSIC

Don't let all the fun in the sun fool you, Round Rock has just as much to enjoy once the moon comes up. Live music is synonymous with Central Texas. From large outdoor performances to intimate stage shows, Round Rock offers live music for every type of fan. Our homegrown music series and locally owned music venues feature the best in regional musicians from country to rock to Texas roots music.

DINING

The dining scene in Round Rock is constantly evolving into bigger and bolder flavors, and with the addition of Kalahari Resorts & Conventions, you can enjoy a variety of award-winning dining options. From farm to table, fast-casual, and everything in between, Round Rock has your dining bases covered.

ARTS & CULTURE

Home to popular events such as Chalk Walk and SculptFest, Round Rock draws thousands of people each year to experience their unique creative community and thriving arts scene. From visual art fairs to a prolific theatre troupe to public art, Round Rock offers a rich cultural experience enjoyable to culture seekers of all ages.

Round Rock ISD At-A-Glance

Round Rock ISD is located in southern Williamson County and northwest Travis County and includes the City of Round Rock and portions of the City of Austin and the City of Cedar Park. The area covers 110 square miles encompassing high tech manufacturing and urban retail centers, suburban neighborhoods, and farm and ranch land.

Schools: 56

Students: 48,421

High Schools: 7

Middle Schools: 11

Elementary Schools: 35

Alternative Learning Centers: 3

Special Facilities: 14

Academic Achievement

Round Rock ISD's state ratings and scores are a reflection of the outstanding education students receive. Round Rock ISD has consecutively earned the highest possible rating of Met Standard in the Texas Education Agency (TEA) accountability system and students consistently outscore state averages in all categories of assessment. Our students, teachers and leadership are recognized throughout the state and nation for excellence.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Round Rock is home to several higher education institutions including:

- Art Institute of Austin
- Austin Community College (ACC)
- South University
- Texas A&M Health Science Center
- Texas State University - Round Rock

In addition to these, Round Rock is in close proximity to many other top-ranked colleges, including The University of Texas. This equates to more than 100,000 students enrolled in nine universities and 50,000 in six community colleges in a fifty mile radius, which guarantees a pipeline of motivated, highly educated employees.