



## LIVING & WORKING

SUN CORRIDOR INC

TUCSON & SOUTHERN ARIZONA

## WHAT CAN SOUTHERN ARIZONA OFFER YOU?

Southern Arizona offers an unparalleled quality of life for today's professional. With nearly 1.6 million people living in an expansive stretch of awe-inspiring and lush desert landscape, Southern Arizona is accomplishing a goal that many growing regions have abandoned—an ecologically sound and culturally sophisticated approach to growth and development.

Be inspired by magnificent mountain views everywhere you look. Tucson is a town where nature still dominates every vista, where the human footprint blends seamlessly with the desert, where the word "commute" does not dominate the conversations of the city's talent base.

1MM+

TUCSON MSA  
POPULATION  
Census Bureau, 2019

\$304K

AVERAGE HOME  
PRICE  
Tucson Association of  
Realtors  
2020

33.5

MEDIAN AGE  
Datausa.io, 2018

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## TOP 10 TUCSON EMPLOYERS

in Southern Arizona

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Raytheon Missiles & Defense        | 13,000 |
| University of Arizona              | 12,564 |
| State of Arizona                   | 8,580  |
| Davis-Monthan Air Force Base       | 8,406  |
| Pima County                        | 7,060  |
| Tucson Unified School District     | 6,770  |
| Banner-University Medicine         | 6,272  |
| U.S. Customs and Border Protection | 5,739  |
| Freeport-McMoRan Inc.              | 5,530  |
| Walmart Inc.                       | 5,500  |

Updated 2020

## RANKINGS

- July 2020 – Site Selectors Guild names Tucson as Top-Mid Sized Market to recover from COVID-19
- July 2020 – CBRE names Tucson One of Next 25 Markets
- June 2020 – Tucson ranked in Top 50 for Tech Salaries by Business.org
- May 2020 - Moody's Analytics Names Tucson Among Top 10 US Cities Best Positioned To Recover From Coronavirus
- May 2020 - Tucson ranks #1 in U.S. in Google Search for "Homes for Sale" Since COVID-19 by LendingTree
- January 2020 – Tucson ranked One of Ten Best Cities for Startup Costs by Embroker
- December 2019 – Brookings Institute ranked Tucson One of 35 Potential Innovation Centers.
- July 2019 – Tucson ranked #1 of Up-and-Coming tech talent markets by CBRE
- June 2019 – Tucson ranked in Top 10 Mid-Sized American Cities of the Future by fDi Intelligence
- Summer 2019 – Tucson named one of the U.S.' Fastest Growing Technology Metropolises in 2019 by Oliver Wyman Forum

## STRONG REGIONAL PRESENCE IN KEY GROWTH INDUSTRIES

### Aerospace & Defense

Raytheon Missiles & Defense  
Northrop Grumman  
Bombardier Aerospace  
Honeywell Aerospace  
Meggit  
Ascent Aviation Services  
Sargent Aerospace & Defense  
Universal Avionics Systems Corp.  
World View Enterprises

### Bioscience

Roche Tissue Diagnostics  
SynCardia Systems, Inc.  
Accelerate Diagnostics  
HTG Molecular  
Kelpac Medical  
Sunquest  
Vante BioPharm  
BIO5 Institute  
The Critical Path Institute  
Xeridien

### Renewable & Mining Technology

Caterpillar Surface Mining & Technology  
Hexagon Mining  
Modular Mining | A Komatsu Company  
MST  
Caid Industries  
Freeport-McMoRan  
FL Smidth Krebs  
AxisCades  
GrupoMexico Asarco  
Split Engineering  
Epiroc

### Transportation/Logistics

Amazon  
Faribault Foods  
Target.com  
TuSimple  
Chamberlain  
Port of Tucson  
Union Pacific Railroad  
United Fresh  
HomeGoods

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## EDUCATING THE NEXT GENERATION



An Institution with Distinction

- With more than \$687 million in funding, the UA is ranked Top 20 in R&D expenditures among public universities and colleges by the National Science Foundation (2018).
- The UA's Banner University Medical Center was named one of 50 best hospitals in America in by Becker's Hospital Review.
- In 2019 the National Science Foundation ranked the University of Arizona as America's **#5** university for expenditures in the physical sciences.

Complemented by a K-12 public educational system with over 236,000 students, as well as 266 private and charter school choices, this well-developed education infrastructure maintains an open ear to the needs of the business community. And it shows. Southern Arizona is home to a number of nationally recognized institutions for higher education.

### The University of Arizona

The University of Arizona (UArizona) is devoted to ongoing excellence in teaching, research, and public service.

- Named as one of the "The Best Value Colleges" by the Princeton Review (2020)
- Ranked #30 in research & development expenditures among private & public universities and colleges
- *US News & World Report* ranks UArizona among America's Best Colleges
- Ranked #29 of the world's top public universities by QS World University rankings
- Enrolls 35,800 undergraduates and 10,110 graduates
- Ranked #4 of the Best 50 Graduate Research Institutes (Grad School Hub, 2016)

### Pima Community College

Pima Community College consistently ranks among the 10 largest, multi-campus community colleges in the nation.

- Enrolls 42,00 students annually in degree programs among 6 campus locations
- Provides contracts for customized on-site job training
- Has 150 programs, including aviation technology and a variety of trades-related programs
- Annually PCC serves over 50 regional employers with customized training

## EXCELLING IN K-12 EDUCATION

### BASIS Tucson

Ranked the #18 public high school in the nation by *US News & World Report* (2020)

### University High School

Ranked the #22 in the nation by *US News & World Report* (2020)

### Catalina Foothills School District

Ranked #1 School District in Arizona four years in a row by Niche (2020)

### Davis Bilingual Elementary Magnet School

Named Top 20 National Magnet School of Excellence by the *Magnet Schools of America* (2020).

### International School of Tucson

Named the Hanbar Confucius classroom of the year (2015)

### Vail School District

Named top performing (Arizona Department of Education, 2019)



## URBAN ENERGY & CULTURE DOWNTOWN TUCSON

Downtown Tucson has experienced a miraculous economic revitalization with unprecedented levels of investment, hundreds of new businesses, and thousands of new jobs resulting in a thriving Downtown environment. Geographically located in the heart of the city, Downtown Tucson has transformed itself from a government center to the region's entertainment hub. There is an increasing variety of restaurants, nightlife and cultural arts venues, and scores of major events that attract more than a million people annually.

Since 2008, Downtown business has shown steady growth and diversification. Commercial investments have led to new construction and renovations to a number of historic buildings, creating unique spaces for street-level businesses and office-based firms. New construction, primarily located near the Sun Link modern streetcar line, has re-established Downtown as a magnet for real estate development, and has been a major contributor to Tucson's economy.

### All Souls Procession

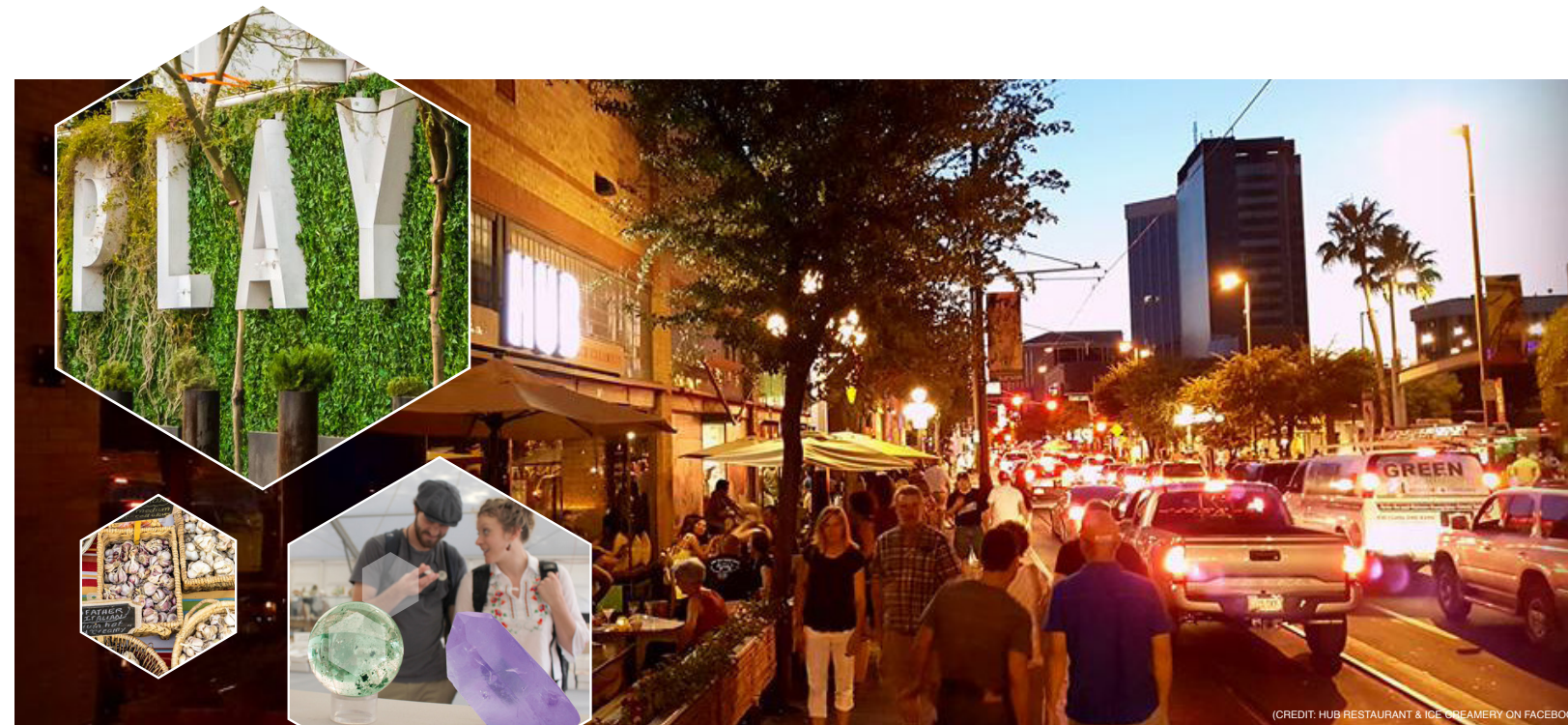
**Founded in Tucson, Arizona**, one of the most important, inclusive and authentic public ceremonies in North America today with over 100K participants.

### 1st U.S. City of Gastronomy

Selected in 2015 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

### Tucson Gem & Mineral Show

The Tucson Gem and Mineral Show® attracts 65,000 attendees and has included exhibits from **Smithsonian Institution** and **Carnegie Museum of Natural History**.



## COST OF LIVING INDEX

### A Quick Comparison

Matched up with most major cities in the country, Tucson with all it has to offer still boasts one of the lowest costs of living.

|             |       |
|-------------|-------|
| San Diego   | 116.3 |
| Denver      | 106.0 |
| Portland    | 101.7 |
| Austin      | 100.0 |
| Las Vegas   | 97.8  |
| Phoenix     | 97.1  |
| Albuquerque | 96.3  |

|                |             |
|----------------|-------------|
| <b>Tucson</b>  | <b>95.8</b> |
| San Antonio    | 94.4        |
| Salt Lake City | 94.4        |
| El Paso        | 88.7        |

Map Dashboard, 2018



## NOW, LET'S TALK ABOUT ENJOYING THE LIFESTYLE

As the 33rd largest city in the U.S. Tucson offers all the amenities of a big city while still retaining some of the charm of a small town. It is culturally diverse and that rich heritage is reflected in its architecture and its restaurants.

Tucson was ranked in the "Top 25 Arts Destinations" by American Style Magazine. There are more than 35 art galleries in just the downtown area alone and the region offers 30+ museums to explore and enjoy including the world renowned Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum and the Reid Park Zoo. In 2018, Best Cities ranked Tucson in the Top 100 Cities in the World!

Professionals can live, work and play in Tucson with a variety of outdoors activities that can be enjoyed year-round thanks to Tucson's dry, sunny climate.

PeopleForBikes named Tucson the #13 Best City for Bikes in the US in 2020, with Outside Online magazine also ranking Tucson #5 best city for bicyclists in 2018. The Tucson region also received a Gold Award from the League of American Bicyclists for an outstanding bicycle-friendly environment.



## FUN WITH NUMBERS

- **350+** days of sunshine per year
- **4** mountain ranges for jogging, rock climbing, horseback riding, stargazing and bird watching
- **37,000** acres of parkland for hiking, camping and exploring
- **40+** golf courses to test the skills and relax the mind
- **800** miles of bike paths consistently place Tucson on the list as one of the nation's most bike friendly cities

## FROM SPORTS...

When Tucsonans aren't outdoors enjoying their own favorite sports activities they can choose from a variety of major spectator sports such as:

- University football and basketball games at the University of Arizona
- Championship golf such as the Conquistadores Cologuard Classic, a cornerstone of the World Golf Championships
- Internationally acclaimed "El Tour de Tucson" bicycle race
- Arizona Cardinals football, Phoenix Suns basketball, Phoenix Coyotes ice hockey, and Arizona Diamondbacks baseball just up the road in Phoenix

## ...to Spas and Resorts

The region has more than its share of world-class resorts – fantasy oases with spectacular golf courses and luxurious pools and spas including the world renowned Miraval, consistently ranked as one of the best resorts in the world by Conde Nast Traveler, SpaFinder, and Travel & Leisure among others.