



## Flower Mound recently rated as one of the top 25 suburbs to live in the South

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In a recent study by Business Week Magazine, Flower Mound was named one of the top 25 best affordable suburbs to live in the South.

The study showed that between 2000 and 2006, the South added 8.5 million residents. This increase boosted its total population by 8.5 percent and when compared with the 2 percent growth in the Northeast and the 3 percent growth in the Midwest, it's obvious that people want to move to the South.

The magazine states that one of main reasons for this growth is because during the past two decades, the U.S. economic centers have shifted away from Midwestern cities like Detroit and Cleveland to southern cities such as Atlanta, Charlotte, N.C., and Dallas.

Mark Wood, community affairs specialist, believes this is one of the reasons why businesses move to Flower Mound.

"Flower Mound offers businesses highly sought after development in the Lakeside Business District and the town is seeing companies recognize this as a great place to do business. And with its ideal location, many businesses see this area as an opportunity to relocate and expand," he said.

Some of the other factors stated in the study for this migration were due new births, immigration, cheaper living, better weather, extra space and better job opportunities.

Flower Mound is a prime location for those looking for an area close to Dallas or Fort Worth.

"With our prime location centered between Dallas and Fort Worth, our residents have access to job opportunities with major companies of all types," Wood said.

The study was compiled with the help of the Portland based research group Sperling's Best Places. They searched for locations that had the best combination if affordability and quality.

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