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# Inside Facebook's new Arbor Blocks office in South Lake Union

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Facebook is expanding in Seattle after moving into the first of two buildings in a South Lake Union campus.

The company, which leased the development from Vulcan Real Estate in 2016, has space for more than 1,000 people in the six-story, 196,200-square-foot building called Arbor Blocks 300 at 300 8th Ave. N.

The second building has 192,700 square feet across six stories. Facebook plans to move into the second building in the "next few months," spokesman [Kyle Gerstenschlager](#) said.



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Facebook said Wednesday that the company's Seattle-area workforce has reached 3,000 employees. The company's website lists 229 open positions in Seattle.

The firms that worked on the office include architect Studios Architects; project managers Bloom Projects and [OAC Services](#); general contractor [BNBuilders](#); mechanical, electrical and plumbing consultant [Sazan Group](#); and structural engineer Magnusson Klemencic Associates.

The Arbor Blocks campus is unique in South Lake Union because the street in between the new buildings is intended as a "woonerf," the Dutch word for a meandering street where pedestrians and bicyclists have priority over motor vehicles. Street conditions force drivers to slow down.

Facebook in January said that it had around 2.7 million square feet in the Seattle area.

Facebook is also expected to lease two other massive South Lake Union office projects. [Commercial real estate industry sources in November](#) said Facebook would lease all of the available space in 333 Dexter and Dexter Yard, totaling 1.13 million square feet, but there has since been no indication that Facebook is taking the space.

The developers of the two projects have declined to comment. Gerstenschlager in April said Facebook had not leased the buildings.

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