



Energetic, innovative outlook shaping BBVA's San Antonio team

BBVA USA San Antonio CEO Ryan Parker [took the helm of the bank's San Antonio market in July 2017](#) after a meteoric rise from relationship manager to commercial banking manager to his current position.

Since then, Parker's team has seen a healthy growth, with multiple hires that bring an innovative outlook to a market that mirrors the city's innovation.

San Antonio may somewhat stand in the shadow of its Austin counterpart in terms of startup recognition, but the Alamo City is home to 493 startups and 5,199 investors. With those statistics rising every year, Parker is tasked with staffing his team with outside-the-box thinkers – employees who are based in the middle of the action in downtown San Antonio.

"There is a massive downtown revitalization going on right now. Everyone can feel it," Parker [told the San Antonio Express-News in June 2017](#), talking about the bank relocating its headquarters to the Weston Centre.

Once BBVA Compass, now rebranded as simply BBVA, the bank's local San Antonio headquarters is located at the Weston Centre, where it occupies the building's first two floors. The bank moved into the building in 2017, occupying 9,600 square feet of the first floor for a retail branch and 19,000 square feet on the second floor for corporate offices, which includes the local commercial and Global Wealth team.

The building even boasts prominent BBVA signage at the top, on both sides, [etching the bank's name into the South Texas sky](#) and downtown San Antonio. While the bank told media outlets at the time that the move signaled their commitment to the market, it's what they've taken action on, since then, that has further backed up that claim.

For fiscal year 2018, the bank was the top SBA lender in terms of number of loans at 54. BBVA also produced \$12.42 million in loan volume, which was second in the region. The team also boasts advisors from diverse areas of the financial industry, which lends to a multi-functional and well-blended group, Parker says.

"Our team is young, diverse and energized to give San Antonio a fresh way of looking at banking – a focus that perfectly aligns with the city's innovative economic atmosphere," Parker said. "BBVA has locations across the U.S. footprint, but we're especially glad to call a vibrant place like San Antonio our home. We're committed to helping it continue to grow and prosper."

BBVA is a Sunbelt-based financial institution that operates 642 branches, including 330 in Texas, 89 in Alabama, 63 in Arizona, 61 in California, 45 in Florida, 37 in Colorado and 17 in New Mexico. The bank ranks among the top 25 largest U.S. commercial banks based on deposit market share and ranks among the largest banks in Alabama (2nd), Texas (4th) and Arizona (6th). In the U.S., BBVA has been recognized as one of the leading small business lenders by the Small Business Administration (SBA) and ranked 8th nationally in terms of dollar volume of SBA loans originated in fiscal year 2018.