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# Target moving 3,900 workers to Brooklyn Park tech campus

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**Target Corp.** plans to relocate 3,900 of its corporate technology workers from downtown Minneapolis to its Brooklyn Park campus over the next three years, according to spokeswoman [Molly Snyder](#).

"Due to continued, steady growth, Target has outgrown the company's available downtown Minneapolis space," Snyder said in an e-mail. "Therefore, as part of strategic, long-term growth planning, Target hopes to begin to develop a corporate technology campus on our Brooklyn Park site. We anticipate that Target Technology Services team members and contractors will transfer to the Target technology campus between 2012 and 2014."

In downtown Minneapolis, Target (NYSE: TGT) has about 2,400 technology team members and 1,500 contract workers, Snyder said. Most of Target's technology workers are in the 33 South Sixth office tower (formerly known as Multifoods Tower), owned by Brookfield Properties Trust. Target has several years remaining on its various leases in that tower.

Target's downtown employees were notified of the employment shift in an e-mail message this week. Target currently has about 10,000 employees in downtown Minneapolis and about 1,300 Brooklyn Park.

[Target hasn't discussed exactly what it plans to develop in Brooklyn Park yet, but the Business Journal reported Thursday that Target](#) plans to build at least a 350,000-square-foot office building at its existing Brooklyn Park campus, near the intersection of Highways 610 and 169. It already has four office buildings on that campus.

As for its downtown presence, there aren't many additional details. Target has applied for a demolition permit for the small building located at 81 10th St. S. because it is in poor condition. However, Target has no additional specific plans to share related to the adjacent properties.

As Target continues to make plans to shuffle its Twin Cities corporate employees, it is important to keep an eye on a redevelopment site that Target purchased earlier this year at 10th Street South and Nicollet Mall.

A contractor took out a permit with the city of Minneapolis to demolish a small single-story building at 81 S. 10th on behalf of Target. Target plans to raze the building because its in poor condition, Snyder said.

Target has no additional specific plans to share related to the adjacent properties, she said. Target also owns the [two-story former record-store building on the corner that it bought this year](#) and the former Scientology building between the record store and WCCO-TV studios on Nicollet Mall.

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