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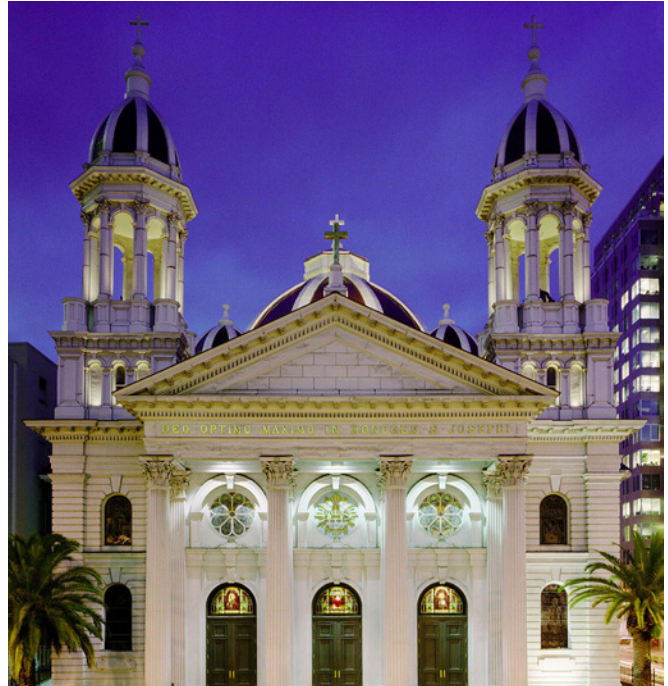
As California's third largest city, San Jose is an integral component to the San Francisco Bay Area's geography and global contribution. The Capital of Silicon Valley weaves a rich history, vast cultural diversity, stunning natural beauty and explosive outburst of technological development. It's success has made this Valley the epicenter for global change.

Founded in 1777, San Jose is California's oldest civil settlement. It became the first state capital in 1850 and has since grown to a population just over one million – making it the nation's tenth largest city.

Now, San Jose's skyline is burgeoning with residential

high-rises, renowned hotels, one of America's premier city hall buildings, and scads of cranes adding new development. The museums are nationally recognized and the strong economy supports everything from opera, symphony, and Broadway shows, to championship sports teams.

San Jose has more than 110 technology companies in downtown, and over 6,600 citywide. Downtown is both clean and safe and blends an amazing diversity with citizens speaking more than 56 languages. Mineta San Jose International Airport furthers the city's global reach by connecting travelers worldwide with transatlantic and transpacific airlift.



Natural beauty is never far and the 300 days of annual sunshine are a great excuse to get outside. In just 30-minutes feel liberated among shimmering poppies, magnificent redwood groves and breathtaking views at Castle Rock State Park, Big Basin Redwoods State Park or Henry W. Coe State Park.

For charming downtown strips, stroll the towns of San Jose, Saratoga, Los Gatos, Campbell or Palo Alto. Enjoy boutique shops and tasty bites, or sip your way through one of California's oldest wine producing regions in the Santa Cruz Mountains with wines produced by award winning winemakers. Just beyond the Santa Cruz Mountains sink your toes in the sand and leave your footprints on the gleaming beaches along the iconic Pacific Coast in Santa Cruz and Monterey. The synergy of technology and natural beauty fuels thinkers and innovators and

inspires individuals to create global change. This is what makes San Jose and Silicon Valley unlike any experience. Think it's time for a visit?

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