

WORKPLACE

Return to Work & Future Space Requirements

Consulting Services

The client had two years remaining on its 70,000-square-foot headquarters lease across five floors of a Minneapolis office tower. In Spring 2021, during the height of the pandemic, Transwestern began the exercise of defining future space needs, space efficiencies, and strategies to relocate or remain in place. A change of management with a new CEO added to the complexity.

The team surveyed all employees and department heads and conducted multiple visioning sessions with the executive team. A review of the company's current space program determined needs and inefficiencies, which included the take down of space over eight lease amendments. The data-based approach also included modeling various return-to-work scenarios coupled with forecasted headcount growth and an in-depth study of how often employees expected to be in the office.

The client was prepared with an understanding of its workplace needs and ultimately realized a 30% reduction in space through identified efficiencies. Transwestern delivered a detailed space program for test fitting potential sites for office relocation, as well as a plan for how existing space could be modified to support future needs.