

US Bank Tower

Identification

EBN	116498
Name	US Bank Tower
Alternative Name	Library Tower, First Interstate World Center
Construction Type	skyscraper
Current Status	existing [completed]

Location

Continent Name	North America	District (1st level)	Central City
Country Name	U.S.A.	Postcode	90071
State Name	California	Address (as text)	633 West Fifth Street
Zone	Central Business District	Main Address	623-633 West 5th Street

City Name	Los Angeles	Virtual Address	432-450 South Hope Street
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Description

Structural Material	composite structure	Facade Color	white light green
Facade System	curtain wall	Architectural style	postmodernism
Facade Material	granite	Main Usage	commercial office

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	1,018.01 ft	Floors (underground)	2
Height (tip)	1,018.01 ft	Floors (overground)	73
Height (roof)	1,018.01 ft	Elevators	24
Height (floor-floor)	13.25 ft	Usable Floor Area (UFA)	Buy full PDF

Years and costs

Year (construction start)	1987	Year (construction end)	1989
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Features & Amenities

- One of the city's famous buildings
- Helipad is available

Facts

- The glass crown on top is brightly illuminated at night.
- The Bunker Hill Steps, a variation of Rome's Spanish Steps, wrap around the west side of the base, leading up to Bunker Hill.
- When completed, became the tallest building on the Pacific coast, surpassing Columbia Center in Seattle.
- Tallest building in the United States west of the Mississippi River until the Wilshire Grand Tower was topped out in 2016.

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- The building was designed to withstand an earthquake of 8.3 on the Richter Scale.
- The tower has four glass-crowned setbacks, at the 48th, 57th, 61st, and 69th floor levels.
- The highest helipad in the world is on the roof.
- Until US Bancorp committed to a major lease with naming rights in March 2003, the building was named Library Tower after the Los Angeles Central Library across the street.
- First building to be destroyed by alien invaders in the 1996 movie "Independence Day."
- The central core structure has a frame that is reinforced in two directions.
- The facade, consisting of granite strips alternating with rectangular windows each 6.4 meters (21 feet) long, is also designed to endure deformations of up to 6.35 cm (2.5 inch) per floor.
- From the 53rd floor up, horizontal forces caused by wind or earthquakes are dampened by two struts, which are each one floor high.
- Upon completion this became the tallest building in the world located in a major seismic region; it has since been surpassed by Taipei 101.

Certificates

Name	Level	Year	Status
Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design	Gold	2014	Certified

Involved companies

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