

## A Landmark Setting, A Convenient Location

The oldest structure in downtown's central business district (a geographical area listed on the National Register of Historic Places), the Berney Bank Building is located on **19th Street North**, across the street from the 400 + person Jefferson County Courthouse (Bessemer Division) complex and one block from the famous **Bright Star Restaurant**. The Bessemer Public Library, which is slated for a \$3.2 million renovation in 2005, is located just two blocks away.



**The Bright Star Restaurant, founded in 1907**

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The Berney Bank Building is only one mile from Exit 112 of Interstate 59/20.

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## Your New Business Address ...

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### THE HISTORIC BERNEY

**1901 Second Avenue North  
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THE HISTORIC BERNEY BANK BUILDING  
ARCHITECT: FORTINBERRY  
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**A project of the Bessemer  
Development Board**

# Your Office in the Heart of Downtown Bessemer

## A Prestigious Address

The Berney Brothers Bank Building was constructed in 1889 and is the **oldest standing structure** in downtown Bessemer (an area on the National Register of Historic Places). The building was designed by G. M. Torgerson, the late 19th Century architect who is credited with work at the famed 1889 New Orleans' Cotton Exposition and the celebrated Opera House in Meridian, Mississippi.



The building features unique Victorian-era architecture

## A Deli Down Below

The Berney Building will be the new home of **Tippi's 19th Street Deli and Bakery**, an enjoyable eatery for over 10 years in downtown Bessemer. The deli is open weekdays, serving breakfast, lunch, and the city's BEST cookies!

## WiFi Connectivity

Tenants in the Berney Bank will benefit from a downtown "hotspot" - the placement of a wireless Internet broadband connection that will make it easy to check e-mail, access the Internet, share files and other resources, such as printers and network storage with other computer terminals, wherever the tenant wanders in the building. For security protection, the connection will be protected by encryption software.

## Charges

Included in the standard rental charge will be the tenant's share for the cost of utilities, insurance, janitorial, and building maintenance. Each tenant will be required to pay for its telephone service separately. Lease terms may run from one year to three years.

**Financing for the Berney Bank renovation project was made possible by the Peoples Bank and Trust Company and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta.**

## Incubator Services

Conveniently located on a neighboring block, the Downtown Entrepreneurial Center (DEC) is a 17,000 sq. ft. **business incubator** featuring a state-of-the-art conference room, business library, office equipment, and the services of a business counselor, available at no charge to Berney Bank Building tenants. The DEC also operates a revolving loan fund, under the auspices of the **Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)**, that qualified tenants may access.



The conference room at the Downtown Entrepreneurial Center

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