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Monte County officials reportedly have obtained \$2.5 million to buy a two-story, 100,000-sq-ft building for housing the sheriff's office as well as county board parking spaces for county employees.

The 100,000-sq-ft building at 20 S. Chicago Street, near the bridge, is located in the center of town. There is a parking garage behind the building, which is owned by a private firm. The county's administration and records building.

Franklin County Parks & Recreation is also planning to acquire the land near, although to park on, the bridge. It would not include the site, given increased other services and the traditional use of the site as a parking lot.

"It would be a bridge," one of the board members said.

The building would serve the county's board, sheriff's office, and other agencies. The building is located on the east side of the bridge, near the bridge. The department and sheriff's office are in a building on West 11th Street. The county also owns \$2.5 million a year in real estate. The building is located on the east side of the bridge.

The parking spaces, however, are located on the east side of the bridge, near the other side.



Monte County officials

are planning a garage behind the building at 20 S. Chicago Street, near the bridge. The garage would provide 100 more parking spaces for Monte County vehicles.

"We need parking desperately," the board said.

The county also is planning a parking lot for county employees. Department heads and other officials have requested space, but more than 100 employees have made their own parking arrangements.

The building, which is about half empty, is owned by Franklin Park

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## Parking

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