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# Reinventing Cleveland

**Multifamily Winter Report 2017** 

**Downtown Renewal Feeds Rent Growth** 

Biotech, Medical Spur Office Demand Fourfold Rise in Completions Brews

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# **Market Analysis**

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# **Cleveland Reinvents Its Downtown**

Cleveland has been one of the slowest-growing metros in recent years, but while its real estate fundamentals continue to lag the rest of the country, there are signs of emerging opportunities.

Employment growth has been steady for the past six years as a more diverse workforce has emerged and the region has gradually severed ties to its industrial past. Consistent job gains in health services and education have bolstered the employment market, while formerly traditional sectors, such as construction and manufacturing, lost positions. The metro continues to develop its biomedical and innovation centers, and in December, top cancer center University Hospitals broke ground on its Rainbow Center for Women & Children, located within Cleveland's Health-Tech Corridor.

Rent growth across the metro remains slow but steady, and strong gains were made in certain downtown and lakeside areas. New construction is also concentrated in Downtown Cleveland, as well as four other core submarkets. Construction jobs may return to the metro, as completions are expected to increase 400% in 2017 compared to 2016. Given the relatively soft real estate fundamentals, the metro remains affordable, and may provide investors with unique growth opportunities as the region continues to reinvent itself.

#### **Recent Cleveland Transactions**

#### The Vue at Beachwood



City: Beachwood, Ohio Buyer: Strategic Properties of N. America Purchase Price: \$90 MM Price per Unit: \$258,406

Hunter's Chase



City: Westlake, Ohio Buyer: Morgan Management Purchase Price: \$30 MM Price per Unit: \$123,497

## Big Sky Park



City: Wadsworth, Ohio Buyer: Stark Enterprises Purchase Price: \$6 MM Price per Unit: \$74,167

### Triumph Tower



City: Euclid, Ohio Buyer: Michael Dong Purchase Price: \$4 MM Price per Unit: \$34,683

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