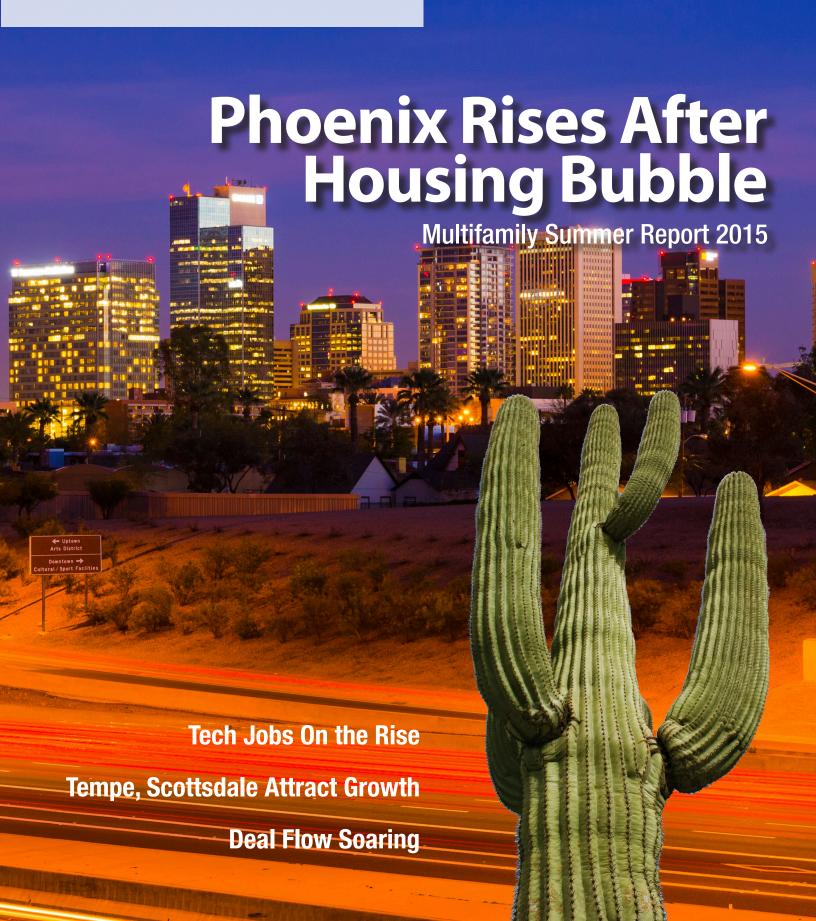
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## **Market Analysis**

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## **Silicon Desert: Phoenix Growing Tech Jobs**

Phoenix has come a long way since the recession on the way to becoming one of the West's top-performing markets. The metro is in a good position to continue to keep adding jobs and residents at a faster pace than the nation as a whole. Because it was so affected by the housing bust, the metro was slower to recover from the last downturn, which leads some analysts to conclude that the recent positive growth is set to intensify rather than moderate.

Phoenix benefits from its strong business climate and educational institutions and attractiveness as a place to live and work. The metro's low rental rates combined with a young educated workforce -- thanks to centrally located Arizona State University -- is helping it to attract start-up businesses. Technology firms are moving in, helping the area to rival hubs such as San Francisco in terms of techrelated job growth.

The result is a spate of apartment developments attractive to Millennials that is focused near Downtown Scottsdale and Downtown Tempe, which are close to offices and have amenities such as restaurants and parks nearby. Downtown Tempe, the home of ASU, is the main hub for Phoenix's tech startups. The metro's favorable fundamentals have made it a target of investors, pushing transaction volume above \$2 billion per year. Although renter demand is robust, the competition from low-cost single-family housing should limit rent growth to 5% in 2015.

### **Recent Phoenix Transactions**

Ventana Palms



City: Phoenix, AZ Buyer: OpenPath Investments Purchase Price: \$9 MM Price per Unit \$53,450

Elevate at Desert Ridge



City: Phoenix, AZ Buyer: The Ergas Group Purchase Price: \$52 MM Price per Unit: \$152,046

Waterfront



City: Phoenix, AZ Buyer: Pratik Jogani Purchase Price: \$10 MM Price per Unit: \$34,722

Oakridge



City: Phoenix, AZ Buyer: Janet LePage Purchase Price: \$17 MM Price per Unit: \$60,284