

HEAVY HITTERS CRE AWARDS

HEAVY HITTERS: Spotlight on the Charlotte region's top real estate deals and developments

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There's no shortage of companies and projects that are remaking the Charlotte landscape. The CBJ's Heavy Hitters Commercial Real Estate Awards program highlights the hard work behind those developments and their contributions to the city's growing economy.

At an event held this week at Myers Park Country Club, the CBJ honored 18 projects – take a look at each in the accompanying photo gallery – as well as [Tony Pressley](#), former CEO of MECA Real Estate Services, who was the 2016 recipient of the [Pillar Award](#), a lifetime service achievement award.

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Those projects recognized were substantially completed between June 30, 2015, and July 1, 2016. Honorees were chosen across several categories: office, flex, warehouse, health care, mixed-use, apartment, commercial space buildout, and hospitality and entertainment. Judges considered criteria such as the development's long-term value in the Charlotte market; whether it enabled the owner, developer or client to achieve business objectives; and its overall quality, value, size and importance to the community.

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Click on the linked names below to read more about the projects and key players (developers, architects and contractors) recognized in this year's Heavy Hitters program:

Office development

- [**Lash Group headquarters**](#)– Childress Klein; Clear Springs Development Co.; Gensler; Shelco; HarkerDoerre
- [**Movement Mortgage headquarters**](#)– The Keith Corp.; LS3P Associates; Choate Construction

Flex development

- [**Carolina Place in Fort Mill**](#)– Beacon Partners; Merriman Schmitt Architects; Choate Construction
- [**Concord Airport Business Park**](#)– The Silverman Group; Merriman Schmitt Architects; InterCon Building Corp.

Warehouse development

- [**RiverOaks Corporate Center Building 1**](#)– Beacon Partners; Merriman Schmitt Architects; Choate Construction

Health-care development

- [**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Charlotte Health Care Center**](#)– Childress Klein; Cambridge Development Group; RPA Design; J.E. Dunn Construction

Mixed-use development

- [**1616 Center**](#)– Beacon Partners; Axiom Architecture; Edifice
- [**Camden Gallery**](#)– Camden Property Trust; Axiom Architecture; Adolfson & Peterson Construction
- [**Riverwalk Grace Building**](#)– The Assured Group; 505 Design; Simon & Watson Construction Inc.

Apartment development

- [**Circa Uptown**](#)– Woodfield Investments; The Housing Studio; Samet Corp.
- [**Crescent Dilworth**](#)– Crescent Communities; BB+M Architecture; Balfour Beatty
- [**Encore SouthPark**](#)– Woodfield Investments; Simpson Property Group; The Housing Studio; J.E. Dunn Construction
- [**Solis Dilworth**](#)– Terwilliger Pappas; Rule Joy Trammell + Rubio; Adolfson & Peterson Construction

Commercial space buildout

- [**J.E. Dunn Construction at 1616 Center**](#)– Gensler; J.E. Dunn Construction
- [**Albemarle Corp. headquarters at Capitol Towers**](#)– LS3P Associates; Shelco
- [**Sterling Capital Management at Capitol Towers**](#)– Redline Design Group; HarkerDoerre

Hospitality and entertainment development

- [**Carowinds Carolina Harbor Waterpark**](#)– Cedar Fair Entertainment Co.; TRA Studio Architecture; Southside Constructors Inc.
- [**Mecklenburg County SportsPlex Phase II**](#)– Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation; Woolpert; J.D. Goodrum Co.

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