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CHANGING SKYLINES, CHANGING LIVES

Corporex builds it better: buildings,
businesses, and communities

Corporex knows Greater Cincinnati. For over 56 years, the real estate-focused investment group hasn't just watched the area grow; it's designed and built some of the most notable developments throughout the region.

"If you describe Corporex in three words, it's 'vision' for the community, 'patience' to have a long-term perspective, and 'timing' to deliver quickly," says Tom Banta, managing director.

Over its history, the company has evolved from a builder of buildings to a builder of businesses. With capabilities including design, construction, capital raising, financial services, and both commercial and residential development, Corporex has it all covered. "In the development side of our business, we've done it all. The majority of our assets owned to date have been built from the ground up," Banta says. "It's all about our outstanding team and their ability to bring life to these projects."

SETTING SIGHTS HIGHER

Now the company is expanding to other opportunities. "Our leasing, design, and build-to-suit services are all under one roof," says Heather Harris, senior vice president of sales and marketing. "As companies expand, they can focus on their business while we build the right space to nurture their growth.

"We don't just build a building. We help to fuel growth in communities and cultures," she continues. That's one motivation driving the creation of major projects like Ovation, the 25-acre urban, mixed-use development at the confluence of the Ohio and Licking Rivers that features over 1,000 residential units alongside retail, restaurants, hotels, offices, and an extraordinary music venue.

"The vision was to connect the community to the river and highlight the spectacular views of downtown Cincinnati," says Banta. "We acquired the land in Newport and are excited to turn this area into something this region will be proud of for generations to come." The AEG PromoWest Pavilion kicked off the Ovation development. The indoor-outdoor music venue opened in 2021, accommodates over 7,000



people, and is expected to host 300 events each year.

Once completed, the full Ovation project will cover 4 1/2 city blocks and feature dining, night life, and entertainment concepts linked together by a pedestrian bridge. Anchored by world-class design, Ovation's parking structures act as platforms for the development to take advantage of skyline views in 88 high-end for-sale residences, 600 apartments, and rooftop attractions.

The project is a big initiative for the Corporex team, who looks forward to building a great gathering space for the community. "Our founder, Bill Butler, always had a vision of investing in his home of Northern Kentucky," says Banta. "He wanted to change the face of the community and provide a symbol of progress for the people of Northern Kentucky."

COMMUNITY FIRST

Partnered with The Butler Foundation, Corporex dedicates significant resources to strengthen the community by supporting the United Way and regional impact organizations like the Horizon Community Funds, Life Learning Center, and Catalytic Development Funding Corporation.

As Corporex grows, building community will always remain its core commitment. "We're not just changing skylines. We're changing lives," says Bill Butler, chairman. "We continually work to improve the landscape where we live."



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