



AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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* *designates "First" in the industry.*

The Tower Companies "At a Glance"

- 6 Million SF portfolio of office buildings, multi-family apartments, shopping centers, and other mixed-use facilities in the National Capital Area
- 13 million SF in development
- 30 acre Blair Master Plan Re-development in progress for vibrant urban living in Downtown Silver Spring, MD to include five acres of public parks
- 100% Renewable Energy Commitment
- 95% of Portfolio is US Green Building Council LEED® Certified
- Fitwel Champion and Fitwel Advisory Council Member
- 80% of Office Building Portfolio is ENERGY STAR® Certified
- Over 20% energy and water use reduction since 2010 through commitment as a Department of Energy Better Buildings Partner
- Climate Registered™ Gold Partner of The Climate Registry
- 15% of Employees are LEED Accredited, Green Associates, or Fitwel Ambassadors
- Over 2,000 hours of employee volunteering in communities that we serve

2017-2019 Awards & Accomplishments

- Published Inaugural Corporate Responsibility Report (April 2019)
- Tower Invited to be a Fitwel Advisory Council Member (February 2019)
- Awarded "Best in Building Health" Award from Center for Active Design for The Pearl (February 2019)
- AIA Baltimore Design Excellence Award for The Pearl (September 2018)
- DOE Better Buildings Goal Achiever for 20% reduction for water -before 2020 goal (August 2018)
- USGBC NCR Best Health and Wellness Project for The Pearl (July 2018)
- Received updated "Gold" Green Lease Leader Award – (June 2018)
- Fitwel Certification for 1st Multi-Family in the world (April 2018)
- USGBC Maryland Chapter Wintergreen Awards – Finalist for Best Residential – The Pearl (January 2018)
- Became a Fitwel Champion (December 2017)
- Received Delta's Best New Green Community Award for The Pearl (October 2017)
- Received NAIOP's Best New Multifamily Development for The Pearl (September 2017)
- DOE Better Buildings Goal Achiever for 20% reduction for energy -before 2020 goal (May 2017)
- Received IMT and DOE's Green Lease Transaction Award for Tower + NIKA Partnership (May 2017)

2015-2016 Awards & Accomplishments

- Winner of NAIOP MD I DC Chapter's "Firm of The Year" (October 2016)
- *Achieved LEED Gold Certification Under LEED Dynamic Plaque at 1707 L Street (September 2016)
- *Achieves LEED Gold Recertification Under O+M: Existing Buildings v4 at 1828 L St., NW (August 2016)
- Winner of the Regional TOBY Award – Earth Building category, The Millennium Building (April 2016)
- Finalist for Company Leader Award at 2015 USGBC Maryland Wintergreen Awards (January 2016)
- AtSite's My Building Rocks Award: Kofi Ennin named "Impressive Engagement, Feedback and Ideas" (June 2016)
- The Toby of the Year Award (Regional TOBY) Earth Building Category, The Millennium Building (May 2016)
- Finalist for Company Leader Award at 2015 USGBC Maryland Wintergreen Awards (January 2016)
- AtSite's My Building Rocks Award: Jim Lewis named "Most Energy Efficient VP of Engineering" (January 2016)
- Finalist for the Champion category of The BOLD Awards: Eugenia Gregorio, Director of Corporate Responsibility. (November 2015)
- SmartCEO Healthiest Employer Award (September 2015)
- The Toby of the Year Award (Local TOBY) Earth Building Category, The Millennium Building (June 2015)

2013-14 Awards & Accomplishments

- *Completed first Solar PV Installation on a large, commercial, Class A office in Washington, D.C. (2014)
- Recognized as "Member of Certification Nation" for ENERGY STAR Certifications (2014)
- Recognized as Sustainable Business & Enterprise Roundtable's (SBER) Outstanding Landlord by Sustainability Roundtable (2014)
- Recognized as Green Lease Leader by Institute for Market Transformation and US Department of Energy (2014)
- National Real Estate CEL Award for Service Excellence (2013 & 2014)
- *DC Mayor's Sustainability Award, First Two-Time Winner (2013)
- 2000 Tower Oaks Recognized Internationally in *World's Greenest Building Book* by Jerry Yudelson and Ulf Meyer (2013)
- Real Estate Company Green Power Purchaser on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Green Power Top 100 Leadership List (2013)
- USGBC NCR Award of Excellence for Sustainable Business of the Year (2013)

2013-14 Awards & Accomplishments (continued)

- USGBC NCR Award of Excellence Honorable Mention for Project of the Year: Existing Buildings – The Tower Building (2013)
- Recognized as DOE Better Building Challenge Partner to reduce Energy by 20% by 2020 and Inaugural Partner of Multifamily Housing Program Expansion (2013)
- Recognized by DDOE, DC Downtown BID, and Mayor Vincent Grey as DC Smarter Business Challenge Partner (2013)
- Multi Housing News Award of Excellence, Unbuilt Category - Blairs Master Plan (2013)
- Property Management Association Pace Award for Most Innovative Community (2013)
- 1909 K St and 1828 L St receive BOMA 360 Performance Buildings Designation (2013)
- 1707 L Street and The Tower Building received BOMA 360 Performance Buildings Designation, 2nd year in a row. (2013)
- 2013: AtSite Q2 My Building Rocks Award: Joe Lee – “New Kid on the Block: Guiding the Blairs Properties to Energy Goals” (Blairs Residential Campus)
- 2013: AtSite Q3 My Building Rocks Award: Kendrick Smith – “Most Successful Use of Existing Resources” (Blair Office Building)
- 2014: AtSite Q1 My Building Rocks Award: Dave Chalmers – “Initiative and Creativity” (2000 Tower Oaks and the Tower Building)
- 2014: AtSite Q2 My Building Rocks Award: Eric Harris – “Best Cooling Season Audit” (1828 L Street NW)

2012 Awards & Accomplishments

- ULI Lifetime Achievement Award – Posthumously to Albert Abramson
- National Real Estate “A List” CEL Award for Service Excellence
- Real Estate Company Green Power Purchaser on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) 100% Green Power Purchasers List
- Property Management Association (PMA) Pace Award for Overall Property of the Year
- 1707 L Street and The Tower Building received BOMA 360 Performance Buildings Designation
- AtSite Award for “Most Night Audits in 2012” - Jim Lewis
- AtSite for “Most Night Audits in a Single Night” – Dennis Gage (Blairs)
- AtSite Engineer Awards for “Largest 2012 Energy Reduction - 1707 L St
- Launched Blairs Lifestyles Program – Encourages healthy and sustainable living
- Launched “TREE” – Tower Employee Health and Wellness Program

2011 Awards & Accomplishments

- *First developer of LEED-EBOM Platinum Certified apartments in the World: Blair Towns, Silver Spring, MD
- *First developer to install electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in Montgomery County, Maryland
- *Among the first developers to install EV charging stations in DC
- *First real estate developer to become Climate Registered™ Silver with The Climate Registry
- Real Estate Company Green Power Purchaser on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Green Power Partner List
- National Real Estate "A List" CEL Award for Service Excellence
- USGBC Award of Excellence, Member of the Year – Eugenia Gregorio
- Apartment and Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington, Go Green Community Manager Award – Blairs General Manager

2010 Awards & Accomplishments

- *First developer to introduce Tower SmartSuites™ in Office Building Portfolio
- *First developer to introduce Ecopads™ in the multi-family rental market
- Real Estate Company Green Power Purchaser on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 100% Green Power Purchasers List
- Multi-Housing News, Award of Excellence, Development Company of the Year
- "40 Environmentalists in 40 Years" Award to The Abramson Family by Montgomery County Council President Nancy Floreen
- NAIOP MD/DC, Award of Excellence in Best Urban Office, 1050 K Street

2009 Awards & Accomplishments

- *First developer of the largest commercial application of Fortune-Creating^(sm) Vedic/Vastu Architecture in the world: 2000 Tower Oaks, Rockville, MD and subject of Harvard Case Study: "Design Creates Fortune - 2000"
- *First developer in DC to achieve LEED certification for a multi-tenant commercial office building under the LEED for Existing Buildings rating system: 1909 K Street (The Millennium Building), Washington, DC
- *First developer to introduce *TowerGreen* News, news shows to educate Clients about companies' green initiatives
- Real Estate Company Green Power Purchaser on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 100% Green Power Purchasers List
- Recognized as EPA Climate Leader Partner and Carbon Neutral (2005-2009)
- Visionary Award, Washington Business Journal and Board of Trade
- National Association of Industrial and Office Parks (NAIOP)/Best Green Building of the Year/2000 Tower Oaks Boulevard

2009 Awards & Accomplishments (continued)

- Maryland State Comptroller and Montgomery County Proclamations, 2000 Tower Oaks Boulevard, Greenest Office Building
- Circle of Excellence Award, Smart CEO Magazine – Jeffrey Abramson
- Environmental Excellence Awards, Mayor Adrian Fenty and DC DOE
- Preservation Award-2000 Tower Oaks Blvd, Mayor of Rockville and Peerless Rockville

2008 Awards & Accomplishments

- *First developer in the National Capital Area to achieve LEED® Platinum certification for a multi-tenant commercial office building: 2000 Tower Oaks, Rockville, MD
- *First developer to earn US EPA's "Designed to Earn Energy Star" designation in the state of Maryland: 2000 Tower Oaks, Rockville, MD
- EPA Climate Leader Award, US Environmental Protection Agency
- Member Firm of the Year, USGBC National Capital Region Chapter
- Environmental Excellence Award, City of Rockville
- Corporate Green Award, Multi-Housing News
- Spirit of Free Enterprise Award, Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (2008)
- Green Company of the Year, Washington Business Journal (2008)
- Corporate Green Leader of the Year, Washingtonian Magazine (2008)
- USGBC National Capital Region Partner of the Year (2008)

2000-2007 Awards & Accomplishments

- Business of the Year, DC Chamber of Commerce (2007)
- Green Power Leadership Award (2003 & 2006) from US Environmental Protection Agency and the US Department of Energy
- *First developer of LEED Certified apartments in the country: Blair Towns, Silver Spring, MD (2003)
- *First developer to receive 2002 Apartment and Office Building Association Green office Building of the Year for The Tower Building (2002)

List of Building Certifications

Fitwel Certified Projects

- *The Pearl | Fitwel Certification - 2 Star Rating (2018)

LEED Certified Projects

- Washington Square | LEED Gold (2019)
- The Pearl | LEED NC v3 (2017)
- 1707 L Street | LEED EBOM Gold – Dynamic Plaque (2016, 2017)
- 1828 L Street | LEED EBOM Gold v4 (2016)
- 1909 K Street (The Millennium Building) | LEED EBOM Gold (2013) Certified (2009)
- The Tower Building | LEED EBOM Gold (2013) EBOM Silver (2009)
- 1050 K Street | LEED EBOM Platinum (2013) CS Gold (2009)
- Washington Square | LEED EBOM Silver (2013)
- Bethesda Place I & II | LEED EBOM Gold (2013)
- *Blairs Residential Campus | LEED EBOM Gold (2012) – First Multi-Family Residential to earn LEED EBOM Campus Certification
- 1707 L Street Fitness Center | LEED CI Platinum (2012)
- 1828 L Street | LEED EBOM Gold (2011)
- 1707 L Street | LEED EBOM Silver (2011)
- 1909 K Street Suite 300/320 | LEED CI Gold (2011)
- Blair Towns | LEED EBOM Platinum (2011)
- 1828 L Street Fitness Center/Offices LEED CI Gold (2010)
- 2000 Tower Oaks | LEED Platinum CS (2009)
- The Tower Companies Corporate Headquarters | LEED Platinum CI (2009)
- Blair Towns | LEED NC Certified (2004)

ENERGY STAR Certified Properties

- 1909 K Street (2003, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013,2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- 1828 L Street (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013,2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- The Tower Building (2006, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013,2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- 1707 L Street NW (2012, 2013,2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- Blair East, House, Plaza (2014,2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
- Blair Office Building (2017,2018)

BOMA 360 Certified Properties

- 1707 L Street (2018, 2015, 2012)
- The Tower Building (2018, 2015)
- 1828 L Street (2016, 2013)
- 1909 K Street (2016)