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NJBIA Salutes 13 Stellar Development Projects with New Good Neighbor Awards



The New Jersey Business & Industry Association and its flagship publication, *New Jersey Business* magazine, honored today the visionaries behind 13 outstanding New Jersey redevelopment projects at the 59th Annual New Good Neighbor Awards.

The event, held this morning at the Hanover Marriott in Whippany, honors the companies, as well as the architects, builders and financing entities, whose noteworthy redevelopment projects have benefited their communities and improved New Jersey's overall economic landscape.

“Collectively, these winning projects comprise more than \$488 million in capital investments and created 5,124 construction jobs and 2,900 permanent jobs,” NJBIA President & CEO Michele Siekerka, Esq. said. “NJBIA is proud to shine a spotlight on these corporate good neighbors whose investments have added economic value to their communities and helped move New Jersey’s economy forward.”

The winners include two transit villages, several cutting-edge educational and apprenticeship facilities, a renovated office building, two corporate headquarters, an industrial complex built on a former brownfield, a community wellness center, a city museum, and a new zoo habitat. Projects were evaluated using criteria that considered economic benefits, job creation, architectural merits and community involvement.

The list below provides a brief description of each winning project. Click on the name of each winner to view a short NJBIA video about the project. Hi-res photos of the winning projects can be downloaded from NJBIA’s website [here](#).

- **CLARUS, Maplewood**. Located next to the Maplewood Train Station, this complex elevates a typical transit village to the next level. JMF Properties developed this \$17 million project as a landmark WELL Multi-Family Residential Certified Building that focuses on residents' health and wellness at the heart of the design. The 20 light-filled one- and two-bedroom units have sustainable design features and superior air and water quality. Residents have access to a 24/7 fitness facility, a parking garage with an electric car charging station, and a robust bike sharing program. The architect was Minno & Wasko Architects and Planners of Lambertville; the builder was JMF Properties, of Whippany; and the financing entity was BCB Community Bank of Bayonne.