NEWSLETTER



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LITTLE ITALY REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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JANUARY MEETINGS

BLOCK CLUB

JANUARY 9TH | 6:30PM

DESIGN REVIEW

JANUARY 7TH + 21ST 5:30PM

BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 14TH | 6:00PM





The Little Italy Redevelopment Corporation is hosting the Annual Tripe Dinner Fundraiser on Thursday, March 27th, 2025 at Holy Rosary Church Hall starting at 6pm. Each ticket includes all you can eat pasta, chicken cutlet, tripe, salad, dessert & unlimited beer/wine! Tickets are \$70 and your contributions are instrumental to give us the capacity to carry out the mission and values of the Little Italy Redevelopment Corporation, in turn, this helps to sustain and create an optimistic view for our Little Italy community for years to come.

Please email Joe at Joe@littleitalycle.com or call 216.410.7535 to register. Seating is limited, be sure to reserve your spot today!

NEW 14-UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING OPENS IN LITTLE ITALY

Cleveland's historic Little Italy neighborhood welcomed its newest addition with the ribbon cutting for a 14-unit apartment building at 2183 Cornell Road on December 6. Developed by Alpha Apartments and designed by Oliver Architecture, the building blends modern luxury with the classic charm of Little Italy.

The project, celebrated by Council President Blaine Griffin, LIRC President Angela Ianiro, and LIRC Executive Director Joe Marinucci, was a collaborative effort involving local residents and organizations. Each unit offers high-end finishes, in-suite laundry, and contemporary amenities, while the building incorporates sustainable technologies and traditional architectural elements to honor the neighborhood's heritage.

With only one unit remaining available, the development reflects the growing demand for thoughtfully designed housing in this vibrant

NEW! COME CHECK IT OUT



WELCOME OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS



We are thrilled to welcome our two new board members



GERALYN M. PRESTI

Geri brings an impressive blend of legal, business, and nonprofit leadership experience. With a distinguished 27-year career at Forest City Realty Trust, culminating as General Counsel and Executive Vice President, she has also dedicated decades to community service through organizations like The Music Settlement, Cuyahoga Community College, and University Circle, Inc.

Taylor, as Chief Revenue Officer at GBX Group, contributes extensive expertise in real estate development and historic preservation. With a proven track record of managing multi-million-dollar projects across the country, he is also deeply committed to philanthropy, actively supporting the American Cancer Society.

Their wealth of experience and dedication will be invaluable to the LIRC mission.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Little Italy Redevelopment Corporation (LIRC) is a non-profit community based development organization dedicated to representing and revitalizing Cleveland's Historic Little Italy community. Serving residents and businesses, and partnering with strategic and long-standing neighborhood institutions, LIRC aims to attract new investment while preserving the rich Italian heritage and architectural significance of the neighborhood. Our vision is to create one of the most vibrant, iconic and recognized Historic Landmark Districts in Northeast Ohio.