

Since its inception in the late 80's, Bradford Real Estate has developed more big box retail projects than any other retail developer in the Chicago metropolitan area, making it the leader in retail power centers. The success of Bradford is attributable to many factors — the professionalism, dedication, and entrepreneurial spirit of its team; the integrity, accessibility, and ingenuity devoted to each tenant and project; and its ability to tenaciously approach every detail of development. These factors, combined with the firm's adherence and devotion to the core aspects of retail development, have led to Bradford's solid reputation, its impressive base of repeat tenants, and its unparalleled retail development projects.

Bradford is a privately owned retail development company that invests for its own account as well as in joint venture with landowners and investment partners. Tenants include established retailers such as Mariano's, Menard's, Meijer, Portillo's, Art Van, Jewel, PetsMart, Walgreens, Starbucks, Chipotle, and McDonald's on a repeat basis.

For more than a decade, Bradford has maintained the same core group of professionals, resulting in an ability to recognize the obstacles and complexities of each project and utilize its experience to effectively and creatively execute solutions. As a result, the firm has maintained a consistent and loyal clientele, with many tenants returning for more than one development project. The dedication and professionalism of this team drives the firm's commitment to its valued business relationships, its foundation of integrity and determination, and its entrepreneurial development tradition.

Bradford offers more than a development service to its clients. Landowners, investors, local governments and retailers have access to the many available resources of Bradford, from the team's vast experience and expertise, to its creative problem solving approach and results driven entrepreneurial spirit. The retail developer devotes all of its capabilities, expertise and investment into each aspect of a development project. As such, Bradford owned and joint development projects benefit from the architectural, construction, leasing, mapping, management, legal, and financial resources available through the in-house capabilities of the Bradford team.

Whether collaborating with a landowner, investor, local government, or retailer, Bradford offers insight, creativity, and dedication to each project.

Jay Eck, vice president of Bradford Real Estate, said: "For 30 years, the Bradford team has built an enviable reputation as a leader in retail development in the Midwest. We have persevered through multiple economic cycles, remaining at the forefront of retail trends and leading to completion of multi-faceted, groundbreaking developments. We have worked closely with municipalities on multiple properties in the Midwest, and our repeat ability to deliver a superior final product is a credit to our development expertise, our investment capacity and capability, as well as our joint ability to form strong partnerships with tenants, partners, lenders and other interested parties that are vital to the success of a project such as the Mariano's in Orland Park and now the proposed mixed-use Cinepolis development at Main Street Downtown. We look forward to adding our expertise to the long-term success of Main Street Downtown, which we believe will offer an unrivaled entertainment, dining and living experience for visitors and tenants alike."