

EXTRAORDINARY DELIVERED

CAPITAL GATEWAY

Bethesda, Maryland Agency Leasing

OPPORTUNITY

For nearly 15 years, Transwestern has provided leasing services for Capital Gateway, a four-building 615,859-square-foot Class A portfolio at 6700-6710 Rockledge Drive in Bethesda, Maryland.

SOLUTION

When Transwestern was hired, the portfolio was primarily leased to IBM and GSA, but eventually IBM downsized and GSA vacated its space, leaving approximately 75% of the portfolio empty. Transwestern devised a unique leasing strategy for each building. In one, updates were made to the lobby, elevator cabs and restrooms, and vacant floors were white-boxed. However, in another building, the lobby was left untouched to make the building a value play to compete for GSA as a tenant, a strategy that proved successful. In another building, undesirable spaces were converted to the following: Capital Lounge, a cashless food market with TVs and Wi-fi; renovated fitness center with lockers, showers and towel service; and a conference center.

RESULTS

Transwestern has completed more leasing on this project than all of the competitive set combined. In a market with a low absorption rate, we've increased the occupancy significantly.



