



The "silver lining" by Jean Savitsky of JLL

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Jean Savitsky is a managing director at Jones Lang LaSalle. Savitsky is a managing director with Jones Lang LaSalle's Project and Development Services group in New York, and acts as the project director for the construction of Bank of America Tower at One Bryant Park. She is also the leader of the PDS team's sustainability practice, developing and promoting green construction and real estate practices to the firm's clients.

Outreach Project selected Jean Savitsky as a 2009 Honoree at its 28th annual Metropolitan Luncheon.

Career Achievements: Savitsky serves as the project director of Jones Lang LaSalle's construction team for Bank of America Tower at One Bryant Park, New York's most environmentally friendly office tower. The 2.1 million-square-foot structure is the city's first high-rise designed to meet platinum LEED standards on core and shell construction.

Real estate organizations / affiliations: Savitsky has worked with God's Love We Deliver in New York for the past 12 years, delivering meals to people living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses. In addition, she is actively involved as an alumnus at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, participating in fundraising activities for the institute. Savitsky also works with students at the Institute, serving as a mentor and advisor. In addition, she is involved with WX, Women Executives in Real Estate, and with the New York Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council.

The "silver lining" in the cloud of the current economy is ...

that businesses around the country have learned there is a tangible financial benefit in acting more responsibly and sustainably with their real estate decisions. Companies now take into account the immediate and long-term impact of their real estate strategies. Businesses are developing and implementing procedures to reduce the environmental impact of their operations, and they are carefully benchmarking and tracking the consumption of resources. In addition, employees' personal values about sustainability have migrated into the workplace, and have had a visible and positive impact on workplace design and operations.

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