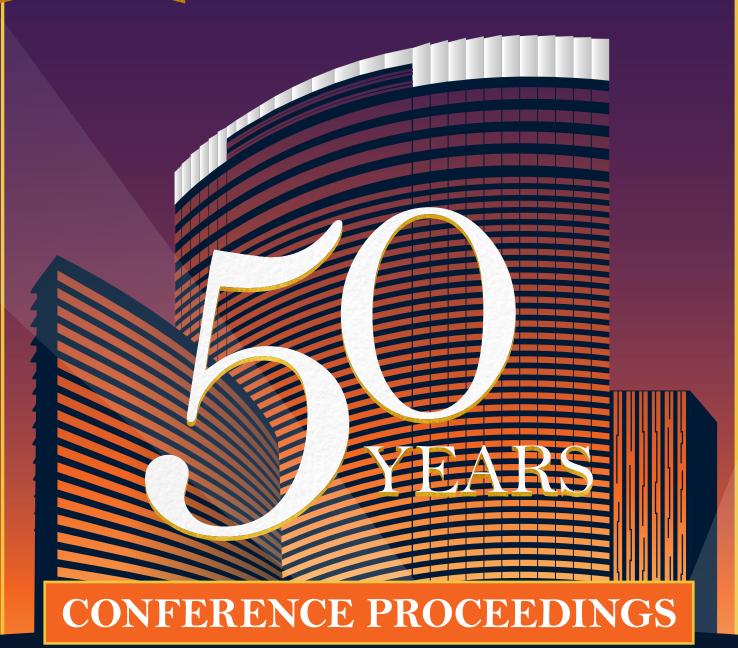


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Antitrust Guidelines

unreasonably restrict competition. They may and in commerce with foreign countries. As not act in concert to restrict the competitive a general rule, competitors may not restrain price, the production, or the distribution of their products, or other agreements which competitive economy in the United States The antitrust laws seek to preserve a free understandings or agreements as to the competition among themselves through capabilities or opportunities of their competitors, their supplier, or their customers.

questionable activity. At SSA meetings, the penalties for violating the antitrust laws are severe. The guidelines, set forth below, are designed to avoid even the appearance of The antitrust laws, however, are often of circumstantial evidence. Furthermore, unclear applicability, and unlawful agreements can be inferred from following will not be discussed:

- 1. Current or future prices.
- 2. What constitutes a "fair profit level."
- Possible increases or decreases in prices.
- Standardization or stabilization of prices.
- Pricing procedures.
 - Cash discounts.
- Credit terms.
- 8. Control of sales.
- 9. Allocation of markets or geographical division of markets.
 - 10. Refusal to deal with a corporation because of its pricing or distribution practices.
- 11. Whether or not the pricing practices of any industry member are unethical or constitute an unfair trade practice.

Statement of Policy

aws. A statement explaining this policy is to general guide for our activities and meetings. be distributed at all SSA meetings to remind commitment of SSA and its members to full meetings among competitors, the Board of each member of this commitment and as a compliance with federal and state antitrust SSA's activities. Because SSA's activities comply strictly with all laws applicable to Association (SSA) and its members to involve cooperative undertakings and Directors emphasizes the ongoing t is the policy of the Self Storage

Responsibility for Antitrust

Compliance

responsibility for antitrust compliance. Each egard to these matters. Thus, all concerned SSA staff members work conscientiously to and activities which could involve improper ousiness enterprise and SSA depend upon avoid subject matters for discussion which good judgment by all to avoid discussions conformity with antitrust standards. Each subject matter or improper procedures-or even an appearance of improper activity. counsel for SSA provides guidance with may have unintended implications, and designed and reviewed to ensure their SSA's programs have been carefully esponsibility for assuring antitrust nave an important and individual SSA member has an equivalent compliance in SSA activities.

Meeting Procedures

meetings will be conducted in accord with questionable activity, as well as to guard against inadvertent conduct, all SSA To avoid even the appearance of the following procedures:

- A written agenda will be prepared.
 Accurate minutes of every meeting will be participants, and approved at the next prepared, expeditiously sent to the meeting.
 - 3. In case of doubt about the propriety of a management or corporate counsel topic of discussion, consult staff
- satisfactorily, the concerned member should 4. If a member has a reservation concerning remarks or discussion at an SSA meeting, discussion is not terminated or resolved officially state the reservation; if the leave the meeting.
 - 5. Rump sessions involving the discussion of business matters should be avoided.

Conclusion

complex and far-reaching. This statement is arise. More detailed information is available be considered improper. Antitrust laws are out avoidance of any behavior which might Compliance with these guidelines involves management or SSA counsel or your own not only avoidance of antitrust violations, not a complete summary of all applicable case of doubt, seek the guidance of staff designed to avoid antitrust problems. In corporate counsel if antitrust questions emphasize certain basic precautions laws. It is intended to highlight and upon request. Call 703.575.8000.

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Many speakers were considered by the Self Storage Association for our conference program. Selected were those individuals who were thought to be the most capable of presenting their expertise and experience so that you, the self storage professional, would benefit from your conference participation. The experience and knowledge of our speakers is vast. We urge you to take advantage of it!

Each speaker was encouraged to submit a written presentation (frequently referred to as a "handout") for inclusion in this electronic book. If provided, those handouts are contained herein, and are arranged by day, in the order that they appear in the program.

Most of our speakers have agreed to let us audio-record their presentations, along with their PowerPoint presentations. Registrants in the "Full" or "Additional Rep" categories (who are SSA Direct members) will receive a <u>free</u> download of the approved recorded presentations, about 3 weeks after the event. Other registrants may purchase downloads. Watch the SSA website (<u>www.selfstorage.org</u>) for information on ordering these recordings.

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Roundtable discussion topics (if scheduled) and pre-conference optional events are *not included* in these Proceedings. A description of the discussions are in your onsite program guide. For additional information on the topics, we suggest you contact the discussion leaders. They are listed in the Attendee List, alphabetically by company, in our mobile app.



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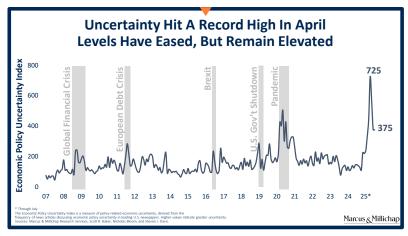
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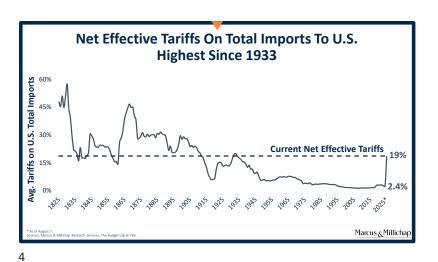
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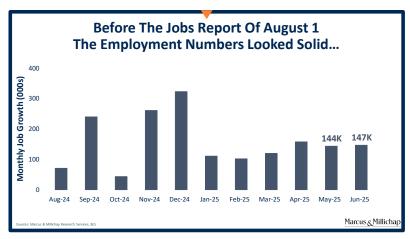
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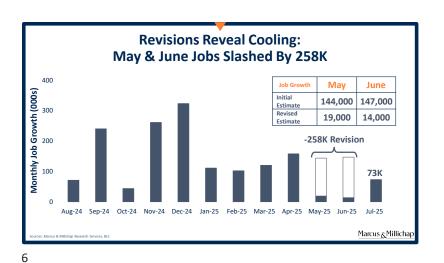


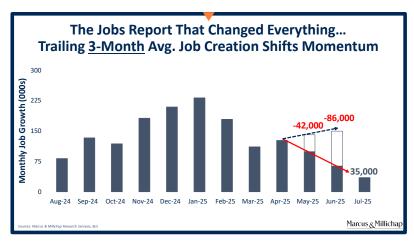




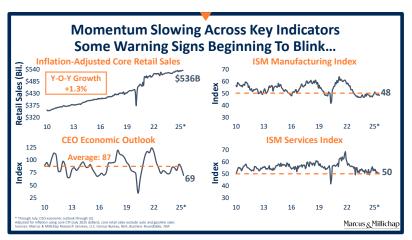


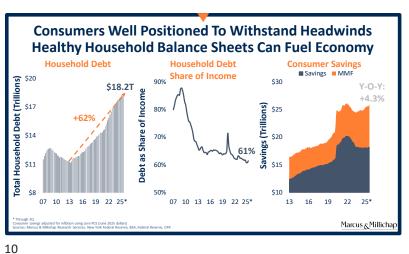


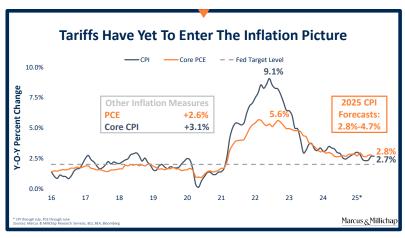


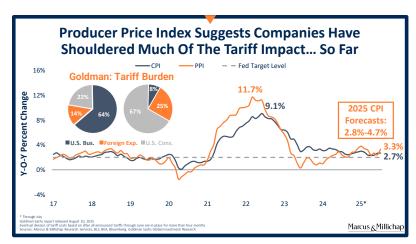




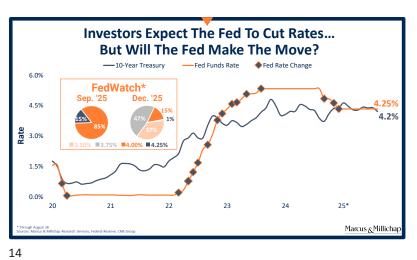




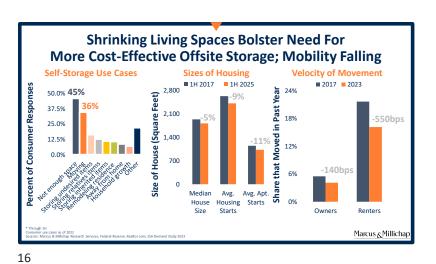


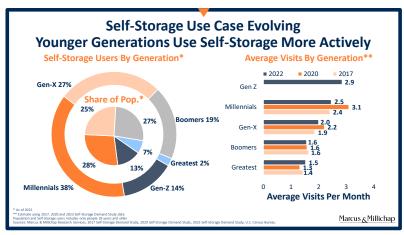




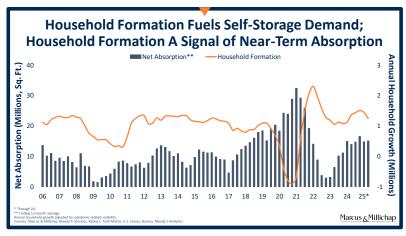


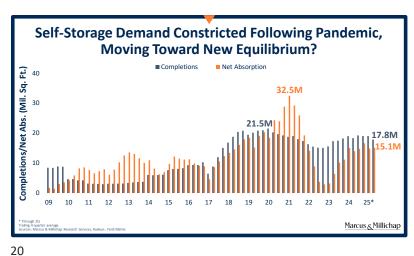


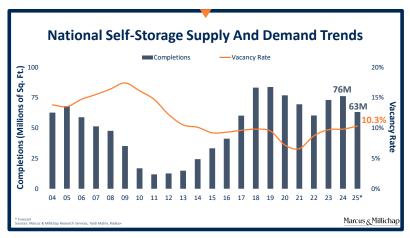


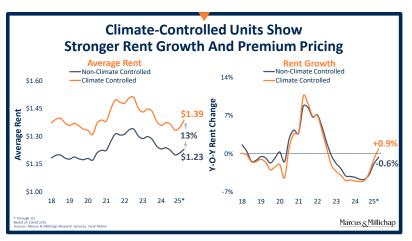


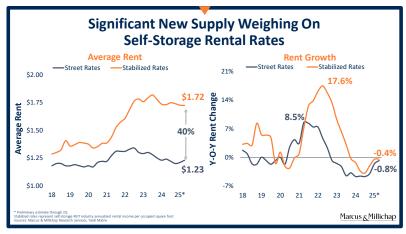




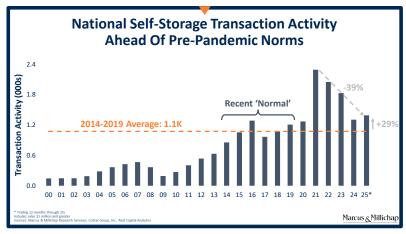


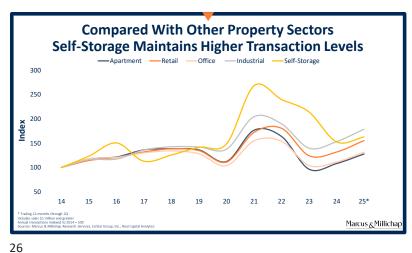


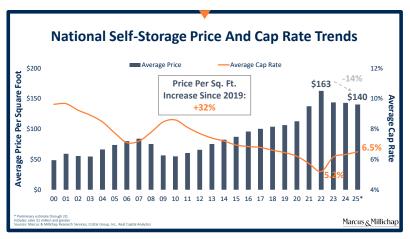


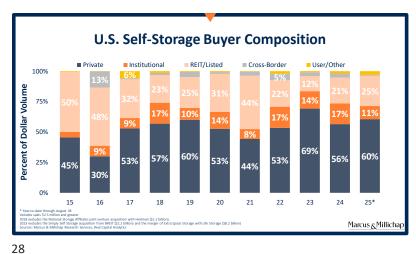


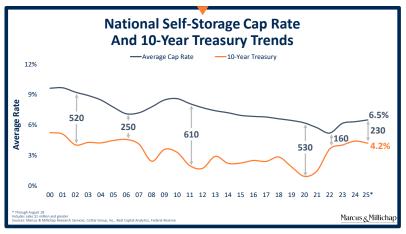


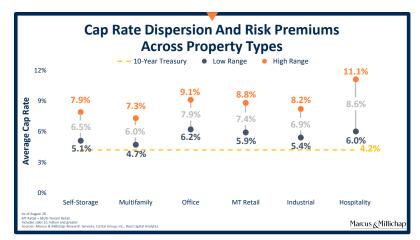








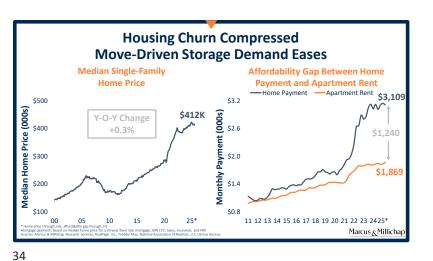




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Class B	5.7% - 6.4%	6.0% - 6.6%	6.5% - 6.8%	6.4%		
Class C	6.4% - 7.3%	6.5% - 7.5%	6.75% - 8.0%	6.9%		
Average	6.0%	6.4%	6.7%	6.5%		
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A Caveat



This presentation contains some sample rental agreement clauses. Do not simply copy these into your rental agreement. You must look to integrate them properly. Some samples are partial clauses.

I am licensed to practice law in Ohio and Kentucky. Before making changes to your rental agreement or policies, consult with your own attorney.

This presentation does not establish an attorney client relationship between us.

Review your existing rental agreement clauses to make sure you are not creating new conflicts.

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Keep Up With Your Statute



In the last 2 years, at least 26 industry sponsored bills have been passed into law, plus other industry positive and negative bills.

Many of these bills require additional language in your rental agreement.

For example, 15 states now have language, which if properly inserted allow for rental agreement or amendments unsigned by the occupant to be "deemed" signed after the passage of time or payment of rent, including Delaware which just enacted this language August 1, 2025.

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Have You Switched Lock Systems?



Bluetooth and/or behind the door locking systems require a different approach in the rental agreement.

You may not even have a hasp for the occupant to use.

You may have an app the occupant has to use.

Overlocking is a different procedure, generally it is deactivating the lock, likewise once cured your actions are different.

You need to be much more attentive to a bailment argument when you have ultimate control of the lock.

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Approximate Size



No unit is exactly 10x10.

3 Sentences:

Size given is for demonstration purposes only and are not exact;

Occupant can inspect the unit to know it is suitable for the purpose needed;

Occupant is not entitled to a refund or rebate if the size is withing a percentage tolerance of what has been stated.

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Modern Access



Denial of access isn't just for non-payment of rent. You would want to deny access for other types of default, dangerous conditions at the facility, system or utility outages, maintenance, and police activity.

Occupant's access to the Storage Space and the Facility may be limited as reasonably deemed necessary by Owner, including, but not limited to, requiring identification from Occupant, limiting hours of operation, or requiring Occupant to sign-in and sign-out upon entering and leaving the Facility, including the temporary closure of portions or all of the Facility for adverse weather conditions, Emergencies, catastrophes, power outages, evacuation orders, or repairs, maintenance, and any other reasons deemed necessary by Owner. These denials of access shall not represent an Event of Default by Owner or the Facility.

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Modern Entry



Make sure you have given yourself the right to enter in both emergency and non-emergency scenarios, don't forget to define an emergency. Also, if using new lock systems, remember to make the wording of what happens to the lock match the system.

Owner, Owner's employees or agents and the representatives of any governmental or quasigovernmental authority, including police and fire officials, shall have the right to remove Occupant's lock and enter the Storage Space, without notice to Occupant, to take such action as may be necessary to preserve Owner's Facility in the event of an Emergency, or to immediately comply with any applicable law, governmental, or court order, warrant, subpoena, or to enforce any of Owner's rights.

An "Emergency" is defined as (use your state statue's definition, if applicable.)

Owner shall further have the right, on a non-Emergency basis, to remove Occupant's lock and enter the Storage Space with reasonable notice to Occupant to make any repairs, replacements, other desirable improvements or conduct any inspections of Owner's Facility.

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Insurance or Protection Plan



Does your rental agreement reflect your actual position on any requirement to demonstrate insurance coverage and/or be enrolled in facility offered insurance or a protection plan?

Do you still allow self-insured occupants?

If a protection plan have you properly modified your release of liability to reflect your acceptance of liability?

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Communication Permission



Every state has some type of do not text, fax, or call laws. While there is a Federal do not call registry, many states have more restrictive provisions.

Make sure you have both appropriate permission to call and text (and maybe communicate via social media.)

Also make sure any autodial service or text service you use knows how to comply with state laws to stop calling or texting when requested by the occupant. Although I have concerns about the ability to stop emails because in many states we have to email notices, give yourself appropriate permission to email.

You also need to have appropriate language for texting rates.

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Privacy Policy



Do you have one? Do you refer to it in your rental agreement?

Are you required to meet cetin requirements of privacy policies by your state laws?

California for example, has an extremely overreaching privacy policy law and even if you are not in California you may have to comply with it because you may do business with customers resident in California.

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Vehicle Storage



Sometimes the riskiest type of storage.

Do not use a regular storage rental agreement for vehicle storage.

Bailment issues

Proper understanding of item(s) stored, and do you want to store them?

Ownership issues.

Insurance Issues

Hazardous materials issues.

Lienholder issues.

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Lithium Batteries



Consider strongly regulating or prohibiting their storage.

Do not allow charging, or if you must then limit the number of hours per day that electricity is available.

It isn't just the fire hazard, when lithium batteries explode, they create a toxic mess that will need to be remediated beyond fire damage.

Airlines now have all sorts of new rules for spare lithium batteries and use of power banks on airplanes. There is approximately one lithium battery "incident" per week on US domestic flights.

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Temperature Control



If you offer it (or you may call it climate control,) what exactly are you offering?

Heating? Cooling? Both? Swamp cooled? Dehumidified? Full humidity control?

Do you maintain a temperature range or a minimum/maximum temperature?

What happens when the power is out or a system breaks down?

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Loitering



How many hours can an occupant spend in their storage space a day? Can they be in there with the door fully or partially closed?

It is agreed that, in general, there is no reason for Occupant to be at the Facility or in the Storage Space at any time for more than "x" consecutive hours. At any time Occupant is using the Storage Space the door to the Storage Space must be left completely open. If Occupant, Occupant's guests, or invitees are in the Storage Space or at the Facility for more than "x" hours a day, or in the storage space with the door closed or partially closed, this shall be and event of default and grounds for immediate termination of occupancy.

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The Extra Services You Offer



Do not forget to regulate or control any extra services you offer:

Elevators or loading docks;

Electricity;

Water:

Dump stations or wash/service bays;

Dumpster;

Alarms/Motion Sensors/Cameras;

Extended access hours.

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Class Action Waver



We continue to see class action lawsuits filed against storage facilities.

Many states allow you to put up roadblocks to filing a class action lawsuit (although not always enforced.)

These include a specific waiver of the right to participate in a class action lawsuit and a mandatory arbitration clause.

Although it does not block a class action, consider mandatory mediation as well

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Time Limitation To Bring A Claim



If enforceable in your state, a limitation of twelve months to bring a claim also helps avoid surprise nuisance or class action claims from a relationship that ended more than a year ago. Examples include insurance sales issues, size issues, price increase issues and move in fee claims

Sometimes we see a case come out and then former tenants decide they want to get involved in pending litigation, this clause helps block those type former occupant claims.

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Time Limits On Occupant Communications



Florida and California have recently had a spate of lawsuits resulting form changes to their consumer protection laws.

While the Florida issue may now be legislatively fixed, it is a good idea to include some kind of waiver for claims arising from sending your invoices or default notices by email after certain protected hours.

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Permission To Bid At A Sale



While specifically prohibited in a few states, if you are going to go all the way to a sale, you should no have a "no sale," even if that means you become the owner of the personal property.

At least in this case, you know you do not have to re-notice, advertise, and sell again.

Further, if the property is then damaged or missing, any bailment claim would be terminated by a proper sale.

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Thank You For Attending



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Concurrent Educational Session

KPIS, ROI, AND NOI: THE NUMBERS THAT MATTER FOR SELF STORAGE OPERATORS

SPEAKER: MAGEN SMITH *ATOMIC STORAGE GROUP*

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KPIs, ROI, and NOI

The Numbers That Matter for Self Storage Operators

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The Property





- Occupancy 38%
- Delinquency 15%
- GMB Ranking 3.1
- 18 Units Unrentable
- **Broken Gate**
- No Cameras
- Overgrown weeds



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KPI



KPI:

- Key Performance Indicators
- Key Predictive Indicators

Measurable signs that reflect the health, performance, or success of systems. Helps us understand if a system is thriving, declining, or stable.



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Benefits of KPI



- Measure progress toward strategic goals with clear, quantifiable data.
- · Identify strengths and weaknesses to guide decision-making.
- Improve accountability by setting defined performance expectations.
- Enhance focus on key business priorities.
- Enable timely adjustments by spotting trends early.
- Support communication of performance to stakeholders.



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Gut Check



KPIWhat will this change?



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KPIs that matter - Demand and Rentals



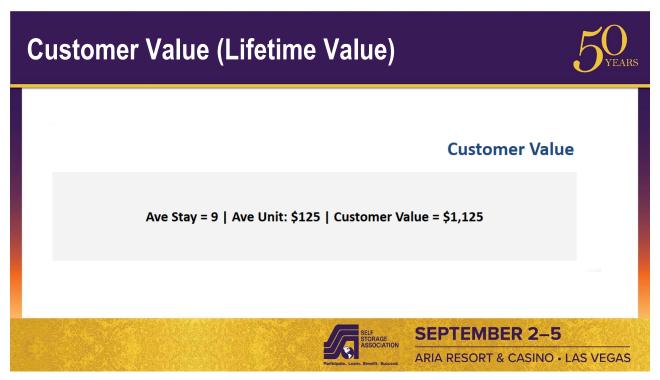
- · Website Traffic & Call Volume
- · Clicks to Rentals
- · Conversion % (Leads to Rentals)
- Reservation to Rental
- · Lead Source performance
- · Abandonment Rate
- · Cost per Rental

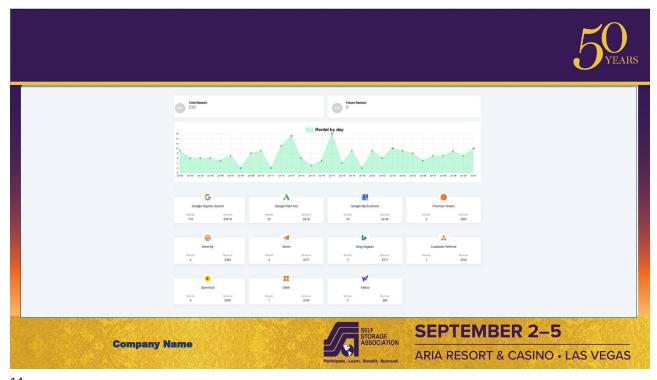


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Website



Conversion machine

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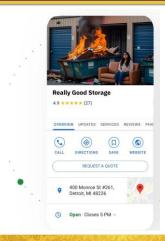
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Action Steps





- Rentable frictionless website
- Social Media presence established and maintained (GBP, Facebook, Instagram)
- Reputation Management System
- Tracking abandonment
- PPC Campaign
- GMB Profile
- · Clear, clean pictures

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ROI



Return on Investment = Net Profit/Cost of investment

- \$5,000 on "Marketing" (PPC)
- 10 new tenants average \$100/month for 6 months = \$6,000 total revenue
- \$6,000 (Profit) \$5,000 (Cost) = \$1,000 (Net Profit)

1,000/5,000 = **20%**

For every \$1 spend, we earn \$1.20 back.



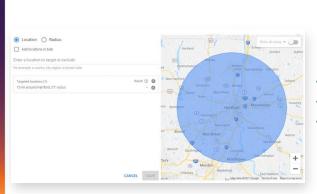
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Pro Tips!

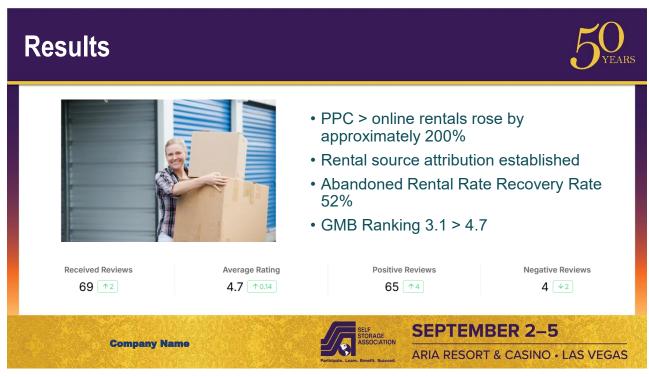


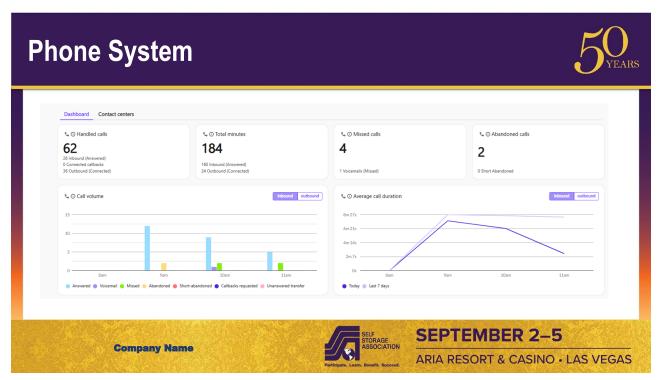


- Spend where it matters
- Install review request program
- Don't set it and forget it



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Phone KPIs





- Average call duration
- Answer rate
- Reason for call
- Conversion rates

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What this creates



Marketing + Website + Phones = Rentals

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KPIs that matter - Revenue & Retention



- Discount Rate %
- Move-in to Move-out Ratio
- Rate Increase Acceptance %
- Average Length of Stay
- Delinquency % / Bad Debt
- Economic Occupancy vs. Physical Occupancy



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GPI vs Economic



GROSS	POTENTIAL	= \$500
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Occupancy = 5 rented / 5 total = 100%

Economic = \$250 charged / \$500 potential = 50%

10X10	Market Kate	Rate	variance
1	\$100	\$100	
2	\$100	\$100	
3	\$100	\$50	\$50
4	\$100	\$0	\$100
5	\$100	\$0	\$100
	4-00	40-0	40-0



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The Property





- Occupancy 38% > 75%
- Delinquency **15%** > **1%**
- GMB Ranking 3.1> 4.7
- 2 Units Unrentable
- Working Gate
- Cameras
- No weeds



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Gut Check



KPI: What will this change? **ROI:** Is this worth it?



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NOI



Total Operating Income - Total Operating Expenses

= Net Operating Income



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Occupancy doesn't pay the bills





- Occupancy isn't profitability
- 100% full = "Can I buy you" letters

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Income



ls:

- Rental
- · Admin fee
- Late Fee
- Tenant insurance (retained, not total)
- Merchandise
- Truck Rentals
- · Convenience Fee
- · Tech Fee

Is NOT:

- · Sales Tax collected
- Tenant insurance/protection to provider
- Funds contributed to company



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Expenses



ls:

- Payroll
- Utilities
- · R&M
- Property Taxes
- Insurance
- Marketing
- · Office/Admin
- Management Fees

Is NOT:

- Loan/Debt service/Interest Expense
- · Depreciation/Amortization
- CapEx
- Owner Distributions
- Sales Tax
- · Alaskan Cruise



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NOI



- BEFORE debt service and taxes
- . Used for:
 - Valuations
 - 。 Refinancing
 - Sale price (Cap Rate)

Income – Operating Expenses

= NOI

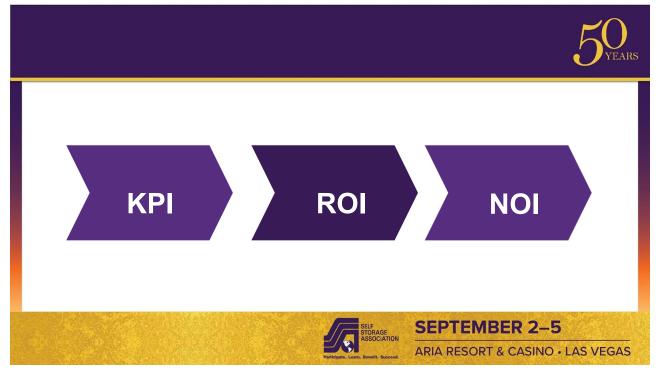


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Monthly Scorecard 3/2023 4/2023 5/2023 6/2023 7/2023 8/2023 9/2023 10/2023 11/2023 12/2023 1/2024 2/2024 3/2024 4/2024 5/2024 6/2024 7/2024 (#1 Line #1 Occupied Area Line #2 Move Ins \$28,446 \$28,412 \$26,410 \$26,410 \$26,454 \$26,356 \$27,066 \$25,416 \$28,416 \$24,334 \$23,028 \$23,028 \$23,028 \$23,020 \$24,134 \$28,704 \$23,704 \$35,95 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.98 \$3.99 \$3.13 \$3.99 \$3.13 \$3.05 \$3.99 \$3.10 \$3.99 \$3.10 \$3.99 \$3.10 \$3.99 \$3.10 \$3.99 \$ Line #3 \$8.74 \$0.75 \$0.79 \$0.80 \$0.80 \$0.81 \$0.81 \$0.81 \$0.82 Actual Rate PSF (Annual) Revenue Collected Revenue PSF (Monthly) Line #4 \$10.63 \$10.46 \$10.49 \$9.91 \$10.08 \$10.73 \$11.05 \$11.17 \$10.83 \$11.22 \$10.64 \$11.06 \$12.44 \$12.64 \$12.45 Revenue PSF (Annual) -4.00% -4.59% -21.97% -25.43% -28.33% -14.78% -6.07% 3.65% 1.89% -1.49% -3.17% 100.00% 9.91% 16.95% 27.31% 29.10% 25.31% Actual Occupied Rent PY Revenue Collected PY 17.49% 18.34% 12.86% 7.83% -1.96% 9.57% 12.82% 18.51% 16.40% 10.69% 10.04% 100.00% 17.89% 22.89% 27.17% 40.88% 30.06% 13.51% -19.73% 29.56% 12.02% 33.46% 21.97% 32.86% 32.33% 38.13% 16.21% 16.06% 100.00% 31.19% 40.32% 32.72% 37.12% 34.25%
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Weekly Scorecard



	07/20/2025	07/27/2025					07/31/2025							
MOVE INS	MOVE OUTS	UNIT OCCUPANCY	A/R %	Rental Receipts	MOVE INS	MOVE OUTS	UNIT OCCUPANCY	A/R %	Rental Receipts	MOVE INS	MOVE OUTS	UNIT OCCUPANCY	A/R %	Rental Receipts
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5 12	1	88.59%	6.82%	\$11,927.26										
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3 12	3	90.00%	2.22%	\$33,809.46										
2 9	2	89.06%	3.07%	\$22,393.41	15	6	89.84%	2.17%	\$24,735.19	20	9	90.63%	1.72%	\$26,154.83
5 11	5	82.26%	6.69%	\$28,020.55	14	12	81.04%	6.42%	\$29,098.13	14	14	80.43%	4.94%	\$32,218.13
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9 17	14	50.49%	5.08%	\$20,871.58	23	16	51.28%	3.08%	\$21,496.27	25	16	51.68%	1.91%	\$22,721.28
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- Trends over snapshots
- · What is moving the needle
- · 80/20 Rule

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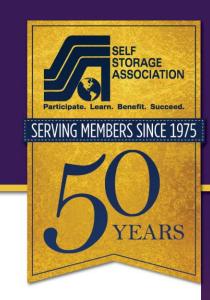
GENERAL SESSION

THE LATEST 2025 SELF STORAGE DEMAND STUDY

PANELISTS: WEYEN BURNAM, STORAGEMART
CHELSEA GLASS, C+R RESEARCH
GEORGE LEON, DESIGNETTO CONSULTING
ALYSSA QUILL, STORAGE ASSET MANAGEMENT

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The 2025 SSA Demand Study

Study Highlights and Data Portal Preview

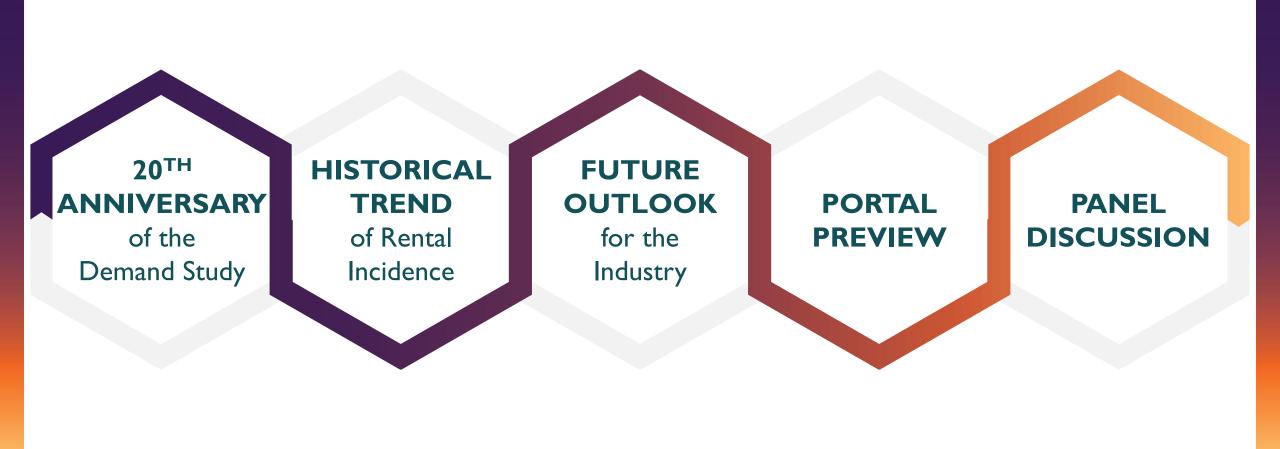


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Session Agenda











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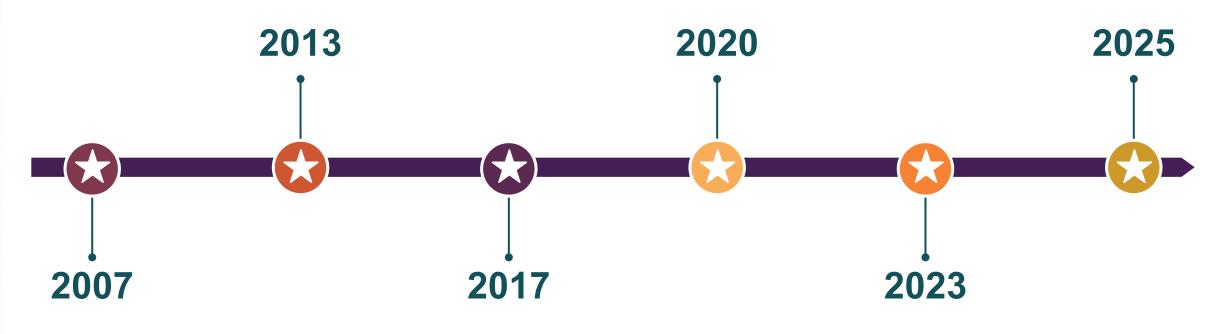
- Household & Business Demand
- Rental Length, Plans, Unit Sizes
- Demographics, Needs/Wants, Payment Preferences
- Reasons for Renting & What Stored
- How Learn About/Select Facility

SSA Demand Study 20th Anniversary



Repeated periodically through 2025 –

with some updates, same questions asked each wave









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Representative, statistically-significant design

Over 10,000 households and businesses screened

1% MOE for incidence estimates

~3,400 household and ~900 business renters surveyed

2-4% MOE for rental characteristics

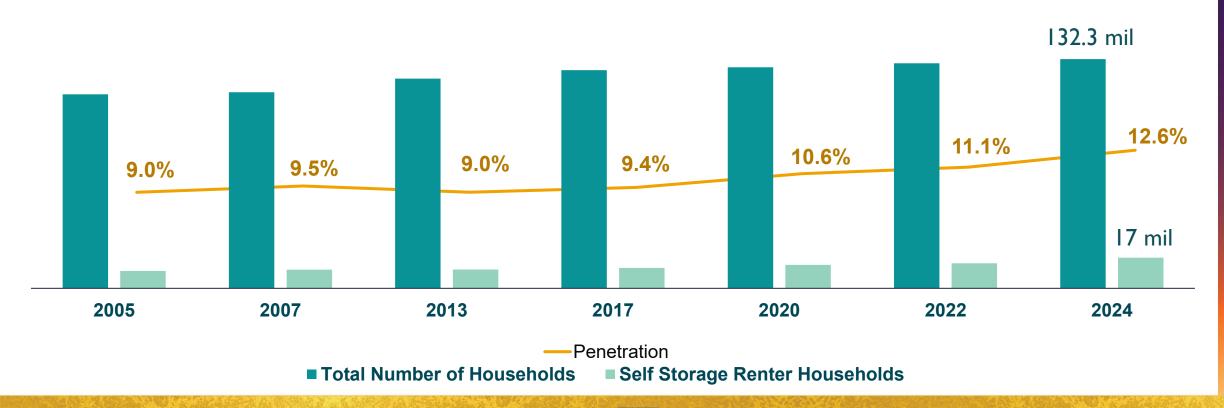




Rental incidence has risen over time



Total Households vs. Self Storage Renter Households





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Renters plan to stay longer than in the past



Expected Rental Length of Current Renters





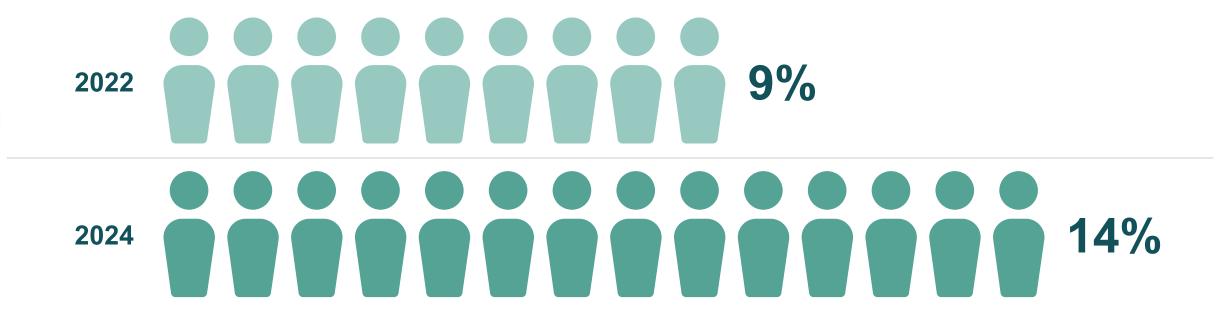




New rental interest is also growing



Plan to Rent in the Next 12 Months









Future renters anticipate renting >1 year



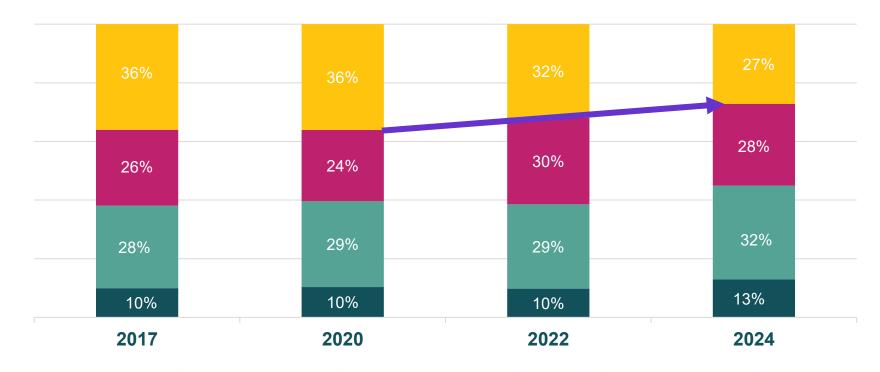
Anticipated Rental Length - Future Renters

6 months or less

Between 7-12 months

Between 1-2 years

Longer than 2 years









Future renters anticipate paying more per month...



Anticipated Monthly Rental Cost - Future Renters





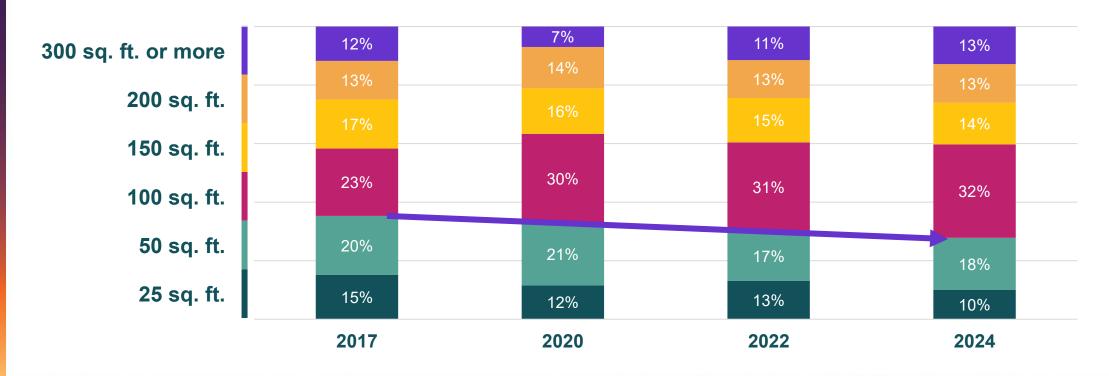




... correlating with expectations of renting larger units.



Planned Unit Size - Future Renters

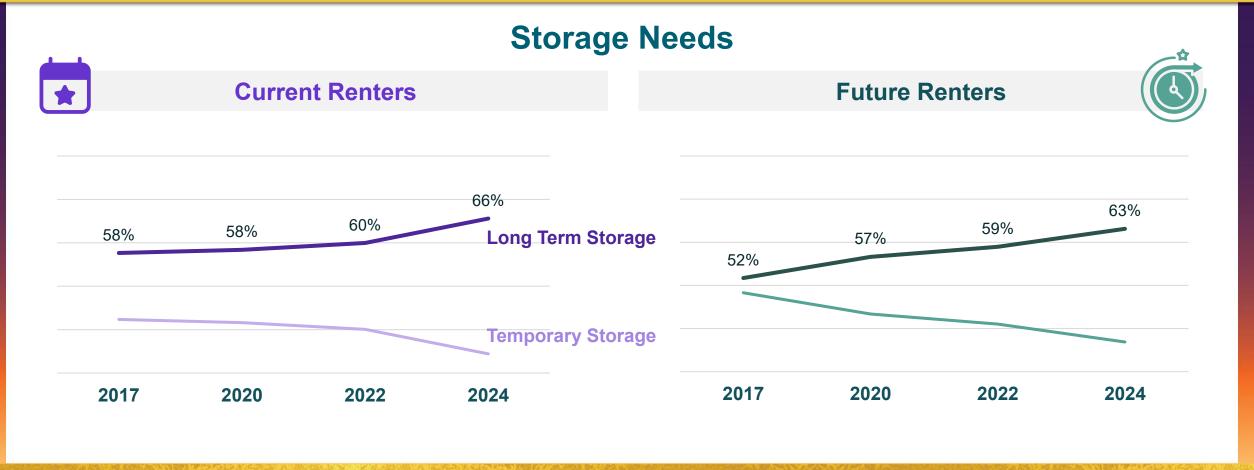






Growing need for long term storage...





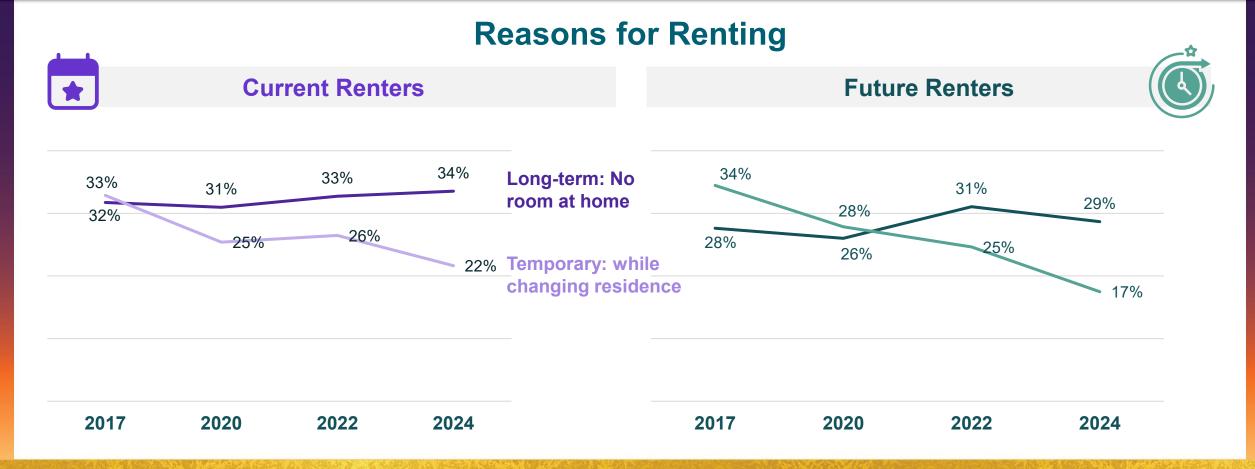






...driven by individuals outgrowing their current living spaces







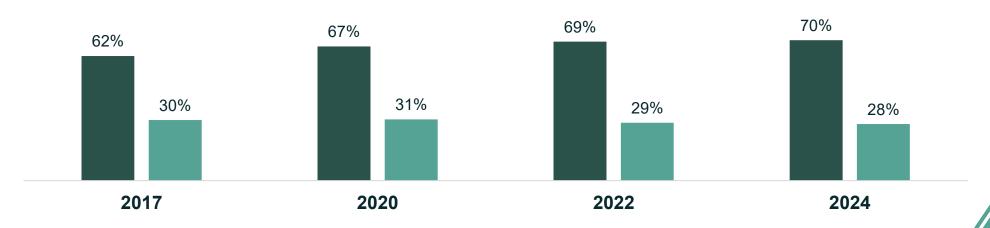




Renters are increasingly looking for convenient payment options.



Payment Preferences - Future Renters





Contactless Payment Options

- Kiosk
- Automatic recurring deductions or cc payments
- Online credit card payment
- Smart phone app (facility, cc, or banking apps)

Traditional Payment Options

- Credit card/debit card (phone or at facility)
- Cash
- Check
- Money Order



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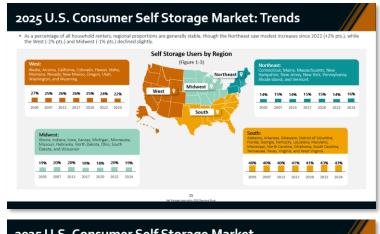
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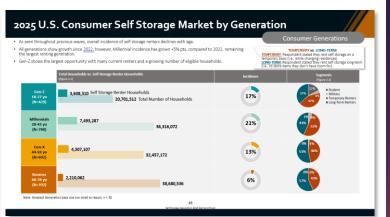
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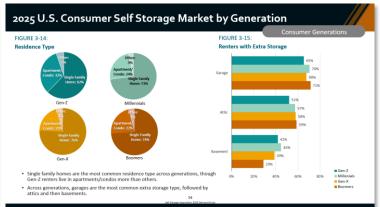














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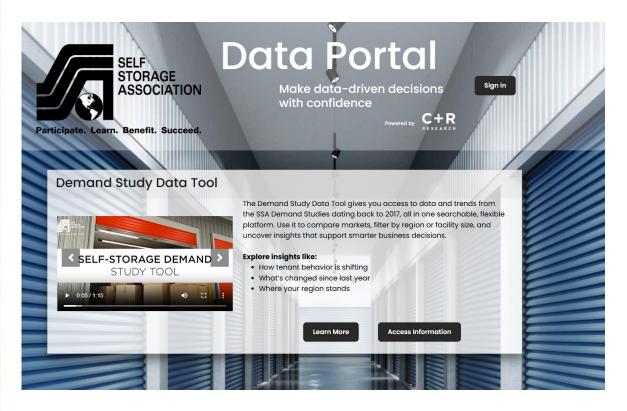


DEMAND STUDY DATA TOOL



SNEAK PEEK - SSA Data Portal





Data Portal Provides Access to all Research Commissioned by the SSA

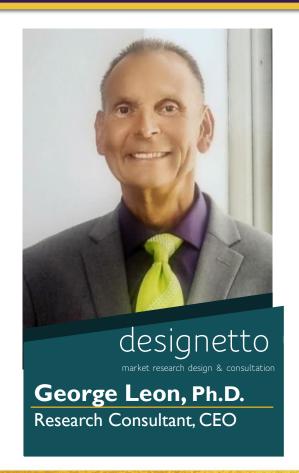
- ✓ Demand Study Data Tool provide access to current and historical data trends from the Demand Study dating back to 2017. All within a flexible platform which allows filtering and other data manipulation.
- ✓ Traffic Study Tool leverages real world traffic data from facilities nationwide. This interactive tool will help you estimate traffic flow by day and time, refined by geography and facility size.
- ✓ Industry Operator Confidence Study
- **✓** Legislative Surveys
- ✓ Operational Expenses Survey





Panel Discussion: Future Self Storage Demand

















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FEATURED SPEAKERS SESSION

SELF STORAGE EXECUTIVE ALL STARS

PANELISTS: TIM DIETZ, SSA, PRESIDENT & CEO (MODERATOR)

CRIS BURNAM, STORAGEMART

BILL HOBIN, WILLIAM WARREN/STORQUEST

JOE MARGOLIS, EXTRA SPACE

CHRIS MARR, CUBESMART

JOE RUSSELL, PUBLIC STORAGE

JOE SHOEN, U-HAUL



Young Leaders Group (YLG) Educational Session

(Requires membership in the YLG. Membership is free for 2025)

Featured Speaker: Codey Gandy

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THURSDAY PRESENTATIONS

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SSA WOMEN'S COUNCIL PANEL **SESSION & BREAKFAST** SSA's Women in Leadership

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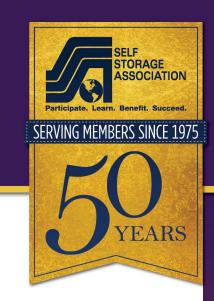






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Welcome to the SSA Women's Council Networking Session

Agenda



• 9:00am – 9:30am – Breakfast & Networking

• 9:30am – 9:45am - Welcome and THANK YOU to our Sponsors!

• 9:45am – 10:30am – The Power Panel: Women Who Lead in Self Storage



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About the SSA Women's Council



Council members

Kristi Adams – Chief Marketing Officer, Opentech Alliance

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Bliss Edwards - Executive Vice President, SmartStop

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Anastasia Malagisi - Vice President of Marketing, Safeguard Self Storage

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The Power Panel: Women Who Lead in **Self Storage**





Anne Ballard



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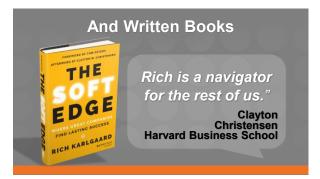
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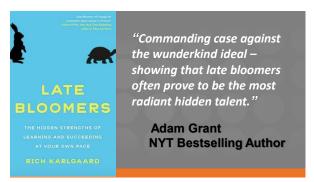
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THRIVING IN THE AGE OF AI













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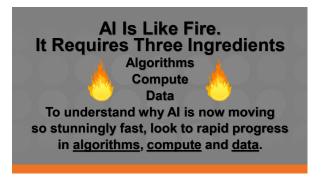
The other clue you've found the right investment quadrant, said Don, is early customer enthusiasm. In the will do the promotion for you. Before Don had started Sequoia, he had run sales at a big semiconductor com-pany. Like all salespeople, Don liked products that sold evenue, fatter bonuses.

Don Valentine

"If you invest in the right quadrant (of future possibilities) you'll win. If you're very very smart, you might get a few small wins if you invest in the wrong three quadrants."

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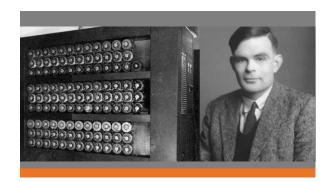




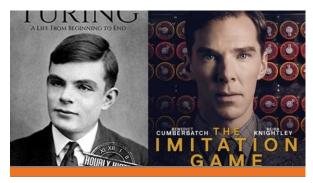


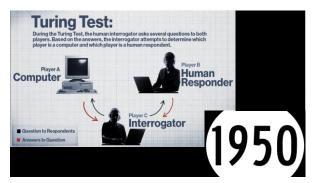


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Attention Is All You Need

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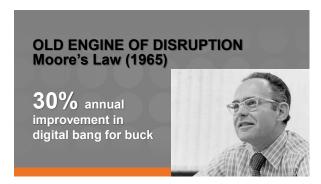
We propose a new simple network architecture, The Transformer, based solely on attention mechanisms.

Experiments on two machine learning tasks shows **Transformer** to be superior in quality while being more scalable in the cloud and requiring significantly less time to train.



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Chip-Led Invention Boom!

Calculators
Personal Computers
Internet and Web
Smart phones
Social media, e-commerce

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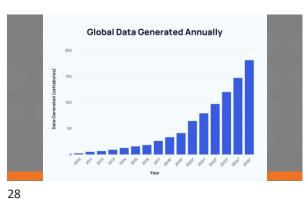
Newspapers (Craigslist)
Retail (Amazon)
Music and Movies (Spotify, Netflix)
Licensed Software (Cloud)
Cellphones (iPhone)

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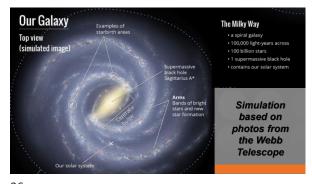
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Fred Smith, founder of \$92 billion global powerhouse FedEx, says values and trust are core to your structure.



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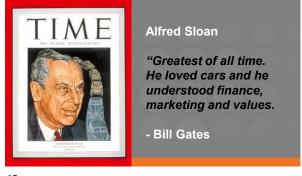
Execution vs. Values

Battle Royale for Resources Inside All Companies

Beware Data Takes All!

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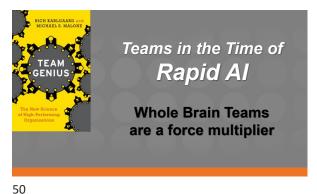






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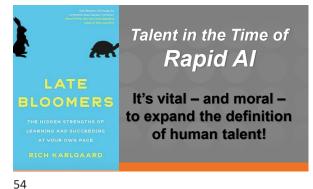


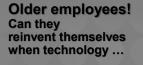




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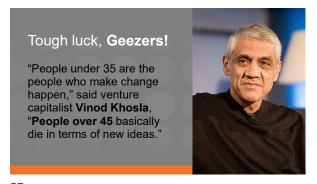


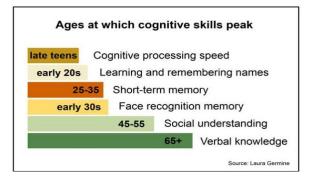


Vinod Khosla BIO

Vinod Khosla, 69, is an Indian-American billionaire and venture capitalist. He is a co-founder of Sun Microsystems and the founder of Khosla Ventures. Khosla made his wealth in networking, software, and artificial intelligence. He is considered one of the most influential venture capitalists in the world.

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Rate of Decline Past Peak?

- a. No decline
- b. 1.0% to 3.0% per year
- c. 3.0% to 6.0% per year
- d. 0.2% to 0.4%% per year
- e. I'm old, can't seem to remember

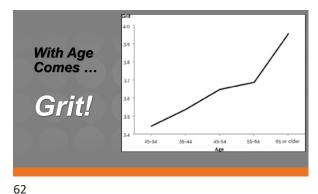
Correct Answer:

Very Slowly

Only 0.2% to 0.4% a year.

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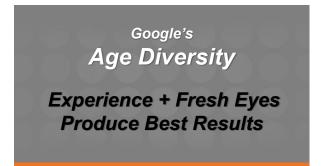




"GRIT GROWS as we realize how to tell the difference between low-stakes goals that should be dropped ... and higher-stakes goals that demand tenacity.

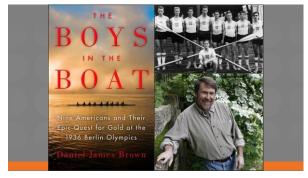
THE TRUTH IS THIS: We develop the capacity for long-term passion and perseverance as we gain life experience."

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"Had I tried to write *The Boys in The Boat* in my 20s, 30s, or 40s, I'm sure it would've been a different book.

"It would lack the layers - wisdom."



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Message to CEOs:
If you think of AI as a tool –
Like Google search – you are
missing 90% of what it can
do for your company.

Al is *not* Google search. Al is every employee's partner. Starting with you, CEO!



Greg Shove, CEO, Section

Chat-GPT Pro Tip:

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Use Prompts (Not Queries)

- 1. Help me create a slide deck outline for January's Texas partner team meeting.
- 2. Suggest blog post ideas related to winning back customers who have dropped us.
- 3. Help me create a timeline for 2025's PR campaign.

Google is your librarian. Chat-GPT is your McKinsey intern

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Dear ChatGPT:

"Create 50 slides, text only, on how AI, economic, and population trends will impact self-storage REITs."



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... 5 minutes later ...

Snapshot \$60B+ U.S. self-storage industry REITs control ~30%.

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REIT Model

predictable cash flows, scale advantages, investor appeal.



Current Pressures

higher interest rates, land scarcity, competition.

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Trends Matter
technology +
demographics drive REIT
performance.



Predictive Maintenance

lower costs on HVAC, gates, elevators.

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Cybersecurity Risks of connected storage systems.



Computer Vision improved site security, fewer staff needed.

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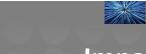


Smart Access Control digital locks, anomaly detection, tenant convenience.



Al Chatbots automated leasing, payments, 24/7 service.

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Impact Higher NOI margins, Fewer human errors.



Dynamic Pricing Algorithms optimize rates like airlines & hotels.

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Demand Forecasting seasonality, local competition, move-in patterns.



Promotions Al-tailored offers for underutilized units.

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Site Selection
Al analyzes zoning,
traffic, population density.



Predictive Demand
Heatmaps
by submarket.

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Al Models Simulate lease-up speeds, IRR, cap rates.



Use Generative Al for optimal facility layout & unit mix.

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Space Utilization for climate control vs. standard units.



Al Simulation For traffic/parking flow.

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Al Reduces supply chain volatility which slows facility expansions.

REITs with AI-Driven
Cost Controls
gain advantage.

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Aging Populations
Downsize

→ more storage demand.



Millennials & Gen Z urban renters high storage usage.

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Urban Densification
Smaller apartments,
higher storage need.



Suburban Sprawl land available for larger storage facilities.

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Al Forecasts
Optimal Balance
between urban & suburban
investments.



REITs Expand near mixed-use to capture demand.

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Geographic
Diversification
mitigates demographic risks.



Al-Driven REITs outperform peers in NOI growth.

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Economic Cycles magnify importance of efficiency and scale.



Leading REITs leverage data for portfolio optimization.

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Competitive Edge shifts to tech-enabled operators.



Self-Storage Evolves into tech-enabled infrastructure asset class.

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Al and Demographic Growth produces durable demand tailwinds.



REIT Leaders invest early in Al adoption.

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STATE OF PLAY: MARKET CONDITIONS, OPERATIONAL WINS, AND TECHNOLOGY STRATEGIES

PANELISTS: CHUCK GORDON, STORABLE (MODERATOR)
CHUCK JAMES, SPAREBOX SELF STORAGE
PETER SMYTH, WHITE LABEL STORAGE
SEAN VENEZIO, CUBIX SELF STORAGE

Concurrent Educational Session

SECRETS OF THE TOP 10%: WHAT HIGH-PERFORMING MANAGERS DO DIFFERENTLY

SPEAKERS: SARAH BETH JOHNSON-DEFAZIO & LOU BARNHOLDT

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Secrets of the Top 10%: What High-Performing Managers Do Differently

Habits, Mindsets, and Responsibilities That Drive Top Performance

Presented by:

Sarah Beth DeFazio – Vice President of Sales & Development, Universal Storage Group

Lou Barnholdt – Vice President of Sales & Development, Universal Storage Group



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Welcome! Ready to Lead?





Sarah Beth DeFazio *VP of Sales & Development*



- What top performing storage leaders do differently
- Habits that drive team accountability and customer trust
- Strategies to boost performance across your facility and portfolio
- Tools and approaches that work for managers at any level



Lou BarnholdtVP of Sales & Development



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What is one word you would use to describe your leadership style?

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Mindset Over Tenure



- Great managers don't rely on years, they rely on actions
 - Their effectiveness is measured through impact, not experience
- They treat the business like it's their own, act with purpose, and stay present
 - · Align actions with long-term goals.

"Managers are the backbone of daily operations"





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Know What You Own





"Managers should not only bring issues to ownership, but also provide potential solutions."

- Run day-to-day operations:
 - Open, close, inspect, and resolve issues promptly
- Maintain site functionality and tenant satisfaction
- Manage vendors, budgets, inventory, and reporting



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What the Top 10% Do Every Day



- Personally inspect your site each morning.
 - Check for any safety hazards or maintenance issues that need immediate attention.
- Follow up on all leads.
 - Respond promptly and provide clear, helpful information to build trust.
- Tidy, greet, solve, follow-through.
 - Ensure every interaction leaves a positive impression and resolves the customer's needs.



"Strong habits practiced consistently are what separate the top managers from the rest."



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How frequently do you perform full facility walkthroughs?

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Be the Reason They Stay



- Retention is earned by attitude, not amenities.
 - Focus on building genuine relationships that make tenants feel valued and heard.
- Solve problems quickly, follow up regularly, and know your tenants
 - Keep detailed notes on tenant preferences and concerns to personalize your service.

"Managers are the face of the facility to the customers."





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Know What's Around You



"Managers should know their competitors inside and out."



- Tour competitors and know their rates, promos, and weaknesses.
 - Use this insight to highlight your facility's unique strengths during every customer interaction.
- Join the chamber, attend events, introduce yourself.
 - Build local relationships that can lead to referrals and increased community visibility.



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Learn to Lead



- At USG, we believe in developing true professionals, not just employees.
 - Provide mentorship and real-world learning opportunities that build confidence and capability.
- Training shows your team you believe in them and supports longterm growth.
 - Regular check-ins and feedback sessions help reinforce training and encourage improvement.
- Stay sharp on tech, software, marketing, and business principles.
 - Sign up for webinars or short courses to stay current with industry trends and tools.

"Continual learning is the cornerstone of success."



"When we equip our managers with tools to succeed... we show them that we value their contributions and are invested in their future."



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Consultative, Not Pushy





"The goal is to provide excellent customer service that encourages retention and positive word-of-mouth."

- Listen to the customer, then guide them confidently.
 - Understand their needs fully before offering tailored solutions that build trust.
- Always offer the best-fit and premium unit.
 - Highlight the value and benefits of premium options without making assumptions about budget.
- Give the tour. Follow up every time.
 - A personal tour creates connection—timely followup reinforces professionalism and care.



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Own the Numbers



- Track your site's performance and trends. "Managers should maintain accurate records of
 - Monitor occupancy, revenue, and lead conversions to spot patterns and take action quickly.
- · Communicate wins and concerns early.
 - Keeping leadership informed builds trust and helps resolve issues before they escalate.
- Use data and insight to guide conversations with leadership.
 - Present clear, concise metrics that support your recommendations and decisions.

"Managers should maintain accurate records o all daily activities, incidents, and customer interactions."





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Clear Roles Build Stronger Teams





- Managers focus on execution.
 - Their strength lies in translating plans into action and ensuring daily operations run smoothly.
- Owners focus on strategy and long-term value.
 - They make decisions based on growth, investment, and the bigger picture.
- Strong teams respect those boundaries but collaborate often.
 - Clear roles with open communication foster trust and prevent misalignment.
- Shared goals need shared communication.
 - Regular check-ins ensure everyone is moving in the same direction with clarity and purpose.



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What is one leadership habit you are looking to improve?

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Energy, Even on the Hard Days



- Stick to your routine, even when it's hard.
 - Consistency builds trust, momentum, and long-term results—even on tough days.
- Celebrate progress—even one lead, one payment, one review.
 - Small wins fuel motivation and reinforce the habits that drive success.
- Stay connected to your "why."
 - Reminding yourself of your purpose keeps you focused and resilient through challenges.

"Discipline over mood—that's how the best stay consistent."





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Step Into the Top 10%





- What will you take from today and apply?
 - Turning insight into action is what drives growth and improvement.
- Choose one daily habit and one communication shift.
 - Small, intentional changes can create lasting impact over time.
- This isn't about being perfect—it's about being present, prepared, and professional.
 - Show up with consistency and care, and the results will follow.



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Ask Us Anything



- •Feedback or thoughts you'd like to share?
- •Curious about something we didn't cover?
- •Your insights and questions are welcome!





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Thank You!





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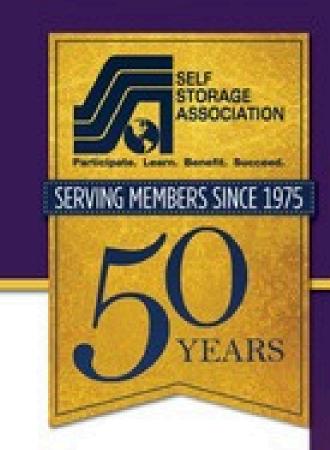
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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SELF STORAGE:TRENDS IN CONSTRUCTION, DESIGN, AND INDUSTRY SHIFTS

SPEAKER: MICHAEL ERCEG ARCO/MURRAY DESIGN BUILD

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What's Happening in Self Storage: Trends in Construction, Design, and Industry Shifts



INTRODUCTION Michael Erceg Vice President

ARCO/MURRAY AT A GLANCE

COAST-TO-COAST SELF STORAGE CAPABILITIES

155+
Self Storage Projects

16M Square Feet Built 30 States with Self Storage Projects



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Years of Experience



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Top 100 Design-Builder No (ENR 2024)



6KNorth American Projects



North American Offices

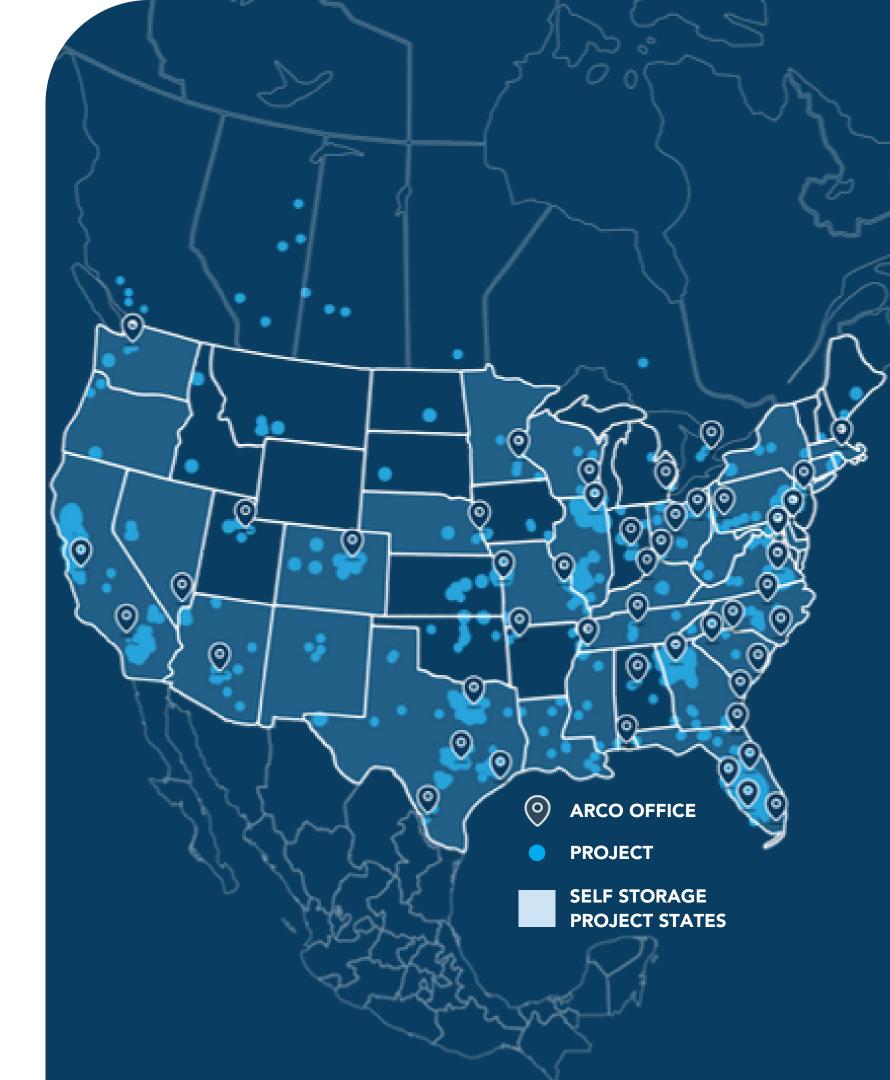
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0.51EMR/Safety Rating



75%Of Revenue
From Repeat
Clients



AGENDA

What's happening in Self Storage?

- I. Market Overview
- II. Construction Trends & Challenges
- III. Design Shifts
- IV. Managing Development Risks
- V. Q&A





GENERAL SELF STORAGE MARKET OBSERVATIONS



- Cautious approach from REITs and institutional players
- Less deals passing first look and due diligence
- Shifts towards secondary and tertiary market developments
- Lengthier entitlement processes / more local pushback
- Self Storage continues to attract investors within other markets

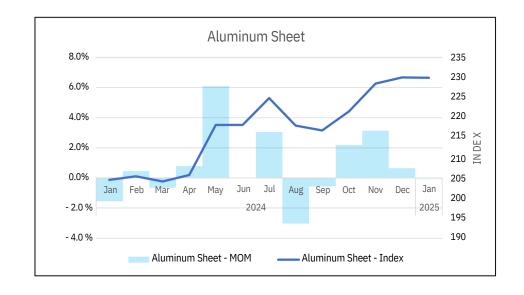


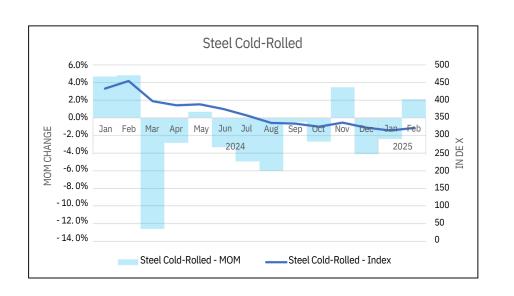


COST ESCALATIONS & CONSTRUCTION COSTS



- Mild trade cost increases nothing drastic
- Overall material costs stability
- Tariff future impact uncertain
- Pre-buying & upfront cash improves control









PRESSURES ON THE LABOR MARKET



- Skilled subcontractor labor is hard to come by and retain
- For subcontractors, "cash is king" more than ever
- Competition is high within the industry





INCREASE IN SELF STORAGE RENOVATION DEALS



Hidden Challenges

- Structural capacity
- o Difficult to budget; Unforeseen issues
- Longer and more complex due diligence
- Changes in code and environmental conditions

Benefits

- Can offer faster permitting and construction timelines
- o Typically cheaper, balanced by increased purchase price
- TO ADD MORE BENEFITS



WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR IN SELF STORAGE RENOVATION DEALS



MORE DETAILS TO COME





INSERT PROJECT NAME

SQUARE FOOTAGE

126,200

LOCATION

TBD

FEATURES

- 2-story plus 2-story half basements
- 934 fully-conditioned units plus 3 interior loading docks
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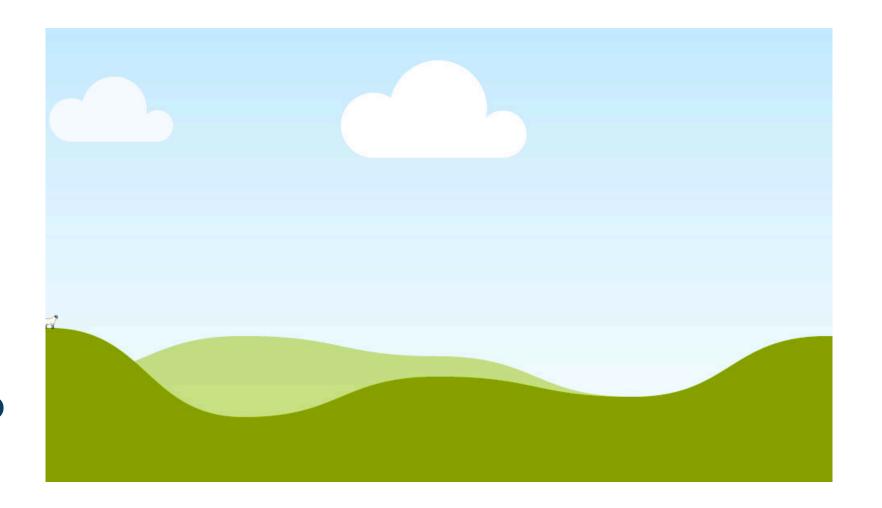




MANAGING DEVELOPMENT RISK



- Procuring items as early as possible guarantee fixed pricing
- Put the right polygon in the right place
- Identify deal-killing preconstruction risks early
- Obtain early, reliable hard cost budgets
- Strong due diligence timely spending to kill bad deals early
- Transfer risks to general contractor
- Leverage national purchasing







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MASTERING YOUR SALES FUNNEL: STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

SPEAKER: GRACE TOTTY
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Mastering Your Sales Funnel: Strategies for Success

Learn how to effectively evaluate and optimize your sales funnel to drive results.

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Speed to first Contact Matters

• Who manages your Speed?

• On-site team

• Off-site team

• Sister property support

• Website

• Maximize Automations

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Speed Phone System and Reporting



- Confirm system readiness:
 - VOIP or landline
 - Call forwarding
 - Call tracking & recording for coaching
- Reporting Needs
 - Number of Sales Calls (or Total Calls)
 - Number of Reservations and Rentals
 - Time to contact
 - Outstanding Opportunities

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Texting Compliance & Opt-In Laws



Best Practices

- Have opt-in and opt-out methods
- Always identify your company in each text.
- Keep frequency reasonable (i.e. up to 4 msgs/month).
- Don't buy or share lead lists only text people who directly gave you their number and agreed.

What you should do before launching:

- Add a clear opt-in on your website
 - By providing your number, you agree to receive SMS messages about your reservation and special offers. Reply STOP to cancel.
- Segment transactional vs. promotional texts



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Sequence



- How and when to connect
 - Mix of auto + manual
 - Email drip campaigns with personalization
- Respond quickly (speed)
- Be consistent

Sample Sequence		
First Attempt	Within First I Minute	Text
Second Attempt	Within First 2 Hours	Call
Third Attempt	Next Day, Opposite Time of Day	Email + Text
Fourth Attempt	24 Hours After First Contact	Email + Text
Fifth Attempt	48 Hours After First Contact	Call

Stashbee. https://stashbee.com/blog/self-storage/how-to-increase-self-storage-sales-conversion-rates David. (2025, May 18)

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Sequence: Operational Sales Hygiene



Don't Let the Basics Sabotage Your Funnel

- Confirm phone and tech system functionality
- Ensure gate & POS system sync
- Be transparent about delays



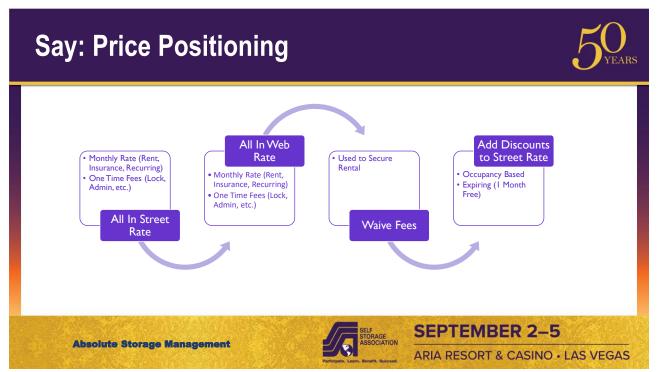
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Summary & Action Steps



- ☐ Speed
 - □ Respond within first 5 minutes using people or automations
 - ☐ Confirm Systems Work
 - Measure Opportunities
- Sequence
 - Evaluate Follow-up Structure
- Make sure to add all leads to a system of record
- Say
 - Survey Competitors
 - Gather their information
 - ☐ Guage their need own the conversation
 - ☐ Get the Rental or Reservation
 - Align Incentives
 - Practice Price Packaging



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Let's Connect







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FRIDAY PRESENTATIONS

SELF STORAGE ASSOCIATION 2025 FALL CONFERENCE & TRADE SHOW

Handouts for speakers whose presentations are scheduled for Friday follow this page

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TEN THINGS I LEARNED ABOUT SELF STORAGE BY RECOGNIZING AND CREATING VALUE

SPEAKER: JEFF HUMPHREY
INLAND DEVON SELF STORAGE





Professional Bio



- ➤ Senior Asset Manager
- ➤ Underwriter for Self Storage, Office, Industrial, Retail and Apartments
- ➤ Co-Instructor Self Storage Association Valuation & Acquisition Course
- Real Property / Ad-Valorem & Commercial Designations
- Testified Property Tax Appeal Cases 20 States
- Writer Discounted Cash Flow Financial Models

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Self Storage Facilities – Seven Possible Values



- I. Investment Value (Purchase)
- II. Book Value (Balance Sheet Land & Bldg.)
- III. Insurance Value (Building Only)
- IV. Lender's Value (Conservative)
- V. Tax Assessor's Value (1 of 3 Methods)
- VI. Replacement Value (Includes Land)
- VII. Cost Segregation Value (Depreciation)

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What's Your Purchase Decision Based On? **Buyers Need** "Measuring Sticks"



Direct Capitalization

IRR - All Cash or Leveraged

Cash-on-Cash – All Cash or Leveraged

Multiple – All Cash or Leveraged

Yield-on-Cost – Trended or Un-Trended

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Discounted Cash Flow Models - 5 Values



- Buyer's Property Value (at Purchase) ١.
- Tax Assessor's Value (During Ownership) П.
- III. Next Owner's Property Value (at Purchase)
- IV. Tax Assessor's Value (Next Owner)
- Insurance Value (building replacement cost, excluding land)

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12 Possible Revenue Sources



- I. Storage Rents
- II. Boat & RV Parking Stalls
- III. Administrative Fees
- IV. Late Fees
- V. Tenant Storage Insurance
- VI. Merchandise Sales
- VII. Misc. Service Fees
- VIII. Truck Rentals
- IX. Retail / Industrial / Office Space
- X. P.O. Boxes & Mail Services
- XI. Cell Towers
- XII. Billboards

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Self Storage is Challenging to Value



One Reason is "Promotions"

- I. What are they?
- II. How long do they last?
- III. How many units rent with a promotion?
- IV. What's the average tenant length of stay?

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What Rate Do You Want to Use? Self Storage has Multiple Rates



- ➤ Facility Report Rates
- ➤ Broker Proforma Rate
- ➤ Facility "Walk In" Street Rate
- ➤ Web "Come to our Facility" Rate
- ➤ Summer Rate
- **≻**Winter Rate
- Face Rate (before promotions)
- ➤ Effective Rate (after promotions)

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Occupancy Statistics

Unit Type: (cc) Climate - Ground level

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The Occupancy Statistics Report Challenge



Total Actual Occupied Income on Many Facility Reports is *After Promotions Expire*

Reason – when customers move in Operator's don't know each tenant's length of stay

Units							Monthly Rent			
Size	Area	Total Area	Occupied	Vacant	Unrentable	Total Units	Standard Rate	Gross Potential	Gross Occupied	Actual Occupied
5x5	25.0	475.0	16	3	0	19	83.00	1,577	1,328	1,312
5x10	50,0	600.0	11	0	1	12	113.00	1,356	1,243	1,254
5x15	75.0	75.0	1	0	0	1	143.00	143	143	120
7.5x10	75.0	1,650.0	21	1	0	22	149.00	3,278	3,129	3,094
10x10	100.0	5,400.0	53	1	0	54	199.00	10,746	10,547	9,513
10x12	120.0	120.0	1	0	0	1	203.00	203	203	191
9x15	135.0	270.0	2	0	0	2	213.00	426	426	426
10x15	150,0	150.0	1	0	0	1	209.00	209	209	209
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10x20	200.0	7,200.0	33	2	1	36	273.00	9,828	9,009	8,839
10x25	250.0	750.0	2	1	0	3	389.00	1,167	778	697
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The Management Summary Report Challenge



Per Square Foot Rates sometimes can be overstated due to

- >RV parking stalls with no assigned sq. ft.
- Long term discounts that don't expire in 30 days
- ➤ Cell tower / billboard income with no sq. ft.

\$2,330.30

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Self Storage - Rate to Consider



Face vs Effective Rate

- ➤ If you start the valuation using a "Face Rate" don't forget to account for the promotion expense
- ➤ If you start the valuation using an "Effective Rate" adjust for the average tenant length of stay and the promotion offered

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Adjusting "Face" to "Effective" Rate 🖟



- ➤ What is the average length of occupancy in market?

 Example 12 months
- ➤ What is the "face rate" for the average unit size? Example - \$1.50 per Sq. Ft.
- ➤ What is the promotion?

 Example First Month is Free

Effective Rate = \$1.38 per Sq. Ft.

Math ($$1.50 \times 11$ months paying / 12 months occupancy)

(1 / 12 = 8.3% adjustment)

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"Five Cents" Makes a Difference



Overestimating the monthly rate by \$.05 for a 60,000 square foot facility, using a direct cap valuation, can overstate the property's value by \$500,000

Total Rentable Sq. Ft.	60,000	60,000	
Monthly Rent / Sq. Ft.	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.55	
Annual Rent / Sq. Ft.	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.60	
Gross Potential Rental Income	\$ 1,080,000	\$ 1,116,000	
Less: V&C Allowance	15%	15%	
Effective Gross Rental Income	\$ 918,000	\$ 948,600	
Add: Misc. Income @ 4%	36,720	37,944	
Effective Gross Income	\$ 954,720	\$ 986,544	
Less: Expenses @ \$5.50 / Sq. Ft.	(330,000)	(330,000)	
Net Operating Income	\$ 624,720	\$ 656,544	
"What If" Cap Rate Table			
Capitalization Rate	6.0%	6.0%	<u>Increase</u>
Capitalized Value	\$ 10,412,000	\$ 10,942,400	\$ 530,400
Capitalization Rate	6.5%	6.5%	
Capitalized Value	\$ 9,611,077	\$ 10,100,677	\$ 489,600
Capitalization Rate	7.0%	7.0%	
Capitalized Value	\$ 8,924,571	\$ 9,379,200	\$ 454,629

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Self Storage has Two Occupancies



- **Occupied Square Feet**
- **Square Feet Paying Rent**

The most common differences are:

- **≻**Promotions
- **≻**Comp Units
- ➤ Late Paying Tenants

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The "Big 8" Expenses



Site Specific

Utilities

Owner Specific - based on Business Plan

- Insurance
- Payroll
- Advertising
- Management Fees

Site & Owner Specific - based on Business Plan

- > Repairs & Maintenance
- Bank & Merchant Processing

County Specific

Property Taxes

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Property Budgeting - Steps to Consider



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Historical Data Compilation

Departmental Inputs

Budget Model & Calculations

Internal Review & Revision

Draft Submission & Revision

Final Budget Upload

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Budgeting - Points to Consider



- I. Financial Statements (Monthly)
- **Facility Reports**
 - Management Summary
 - Management History
 - Rent Roll
 - **Occupancy Statistics**
 - **Aged Receivables**
 - Tenant Insurance (Take Percentage)
- III. Historical Budgets, if available
- IV. Service Contracts
- **Revenue Management Strategy**
- VI. Market Studies

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Chart of Accounts (COA) - Considerations



Good Separation of Revenue Items

- Understand revenue tracking facility reports to financials
- Produce month over month financial statements
- Buyer can easily see revenue detail and trends

➤ Not Too Many Expense Lines

- · Make it easy for accounting staff
- Be sure all the "Big 8" operating expenses recorded each month
- Buyer easily map to their COA so not to double count expenses

≻COA Format

Consider format buyers are used to seeing

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Property Tax Budgeting



Most Common Method

Estimate Best and Worst Cases

Challenge

Which estimate do you place the most weight?

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Methods of Tax Assessing



- ➤Income Method Income, less expenses = NOI capitalized
- ➤ Replacement Cost Method

 Building cost manuals, plus land value
- ➤ Market Method

 Comparable sales per square foot
- ➤ Uniformity (some states)

 Comparison of assessed values per sq. ft.

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Assessment Ratios



Ratio is the property's taxable value to the full assessed value

> 6% - SC

▶11% or 12% - OK (Depends on the County)

≥25% - Cook Co., IL (Depends on Asset Class)

≥29% - CO

≥40% - GA, TN

≽50% - MI

>70% - CT

≥100% - CA, TX, FL, VA, PA, HI, IN, KY, MA, MD, NC, OR, WA

➤NJ – Can be different between counties and change each year

Divide taxable value by the ratio to determine the full assessment

Math - \$1M assessment / 50% Ratio = \$2M full assessed value

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Effective Tax Rates (ETR)



- ➤ Canadian Co, OK .95%
- ➤ Alameda Co, CA 1.14%
- ➤ Davidson Co, TN 1.65%
- ➤ Baltimore Co, MD 2.36%
- ➤ Washtenaw Co, MI 2.67%
- ➤ Harris Co, TX 2.74%
- ➤ Milwaukee Co, WI 2.76%
- ► Lexington Co, SC 2.94%
- ➤ Ramsey Co, MN 3.65%
- ➤ Cook Co, IL 4.58%

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ETR's based on full assessed values

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Tax Assessment Cycles



- ➤ CA, MI, OK When ownership transfers
- >FL, GA, KS, MA, MS, OR, TX, UT, VA, WA Annual
- ➤ CO, MO Odd number years
- ➤GA, IL, MD, RI Three-year cycle
- ➤ IL, IN, KY, LA, NC, TN Four-year cycle
- ➤ CT, ME, SC Five-year cycle
- ➤NJ Varies, can be up to 20+ years

Some Counties reduce the assessment ratio each year thereby increasing the full assessed value

Counties in same state can use different reassessment schedules

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Tax Assessment Caps



- ➤CA 2% or CPI annual cap whichever is lower after base year assessment is set
- >MI 5% or CPI annual cap whichever is lower after base year assessment is set
- ➤OK 5% annual cap after base year assessment is set
- >FL 10% annual cap on non-school taxes after base year assessment is set
- SC 15% over 5 years after base year assessment is set



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Tax Abatements



- City of Philadelphia Ordinance 1130
 Ten-year tax abatement (Rehabs)
- ➤ City of Bridgeport CT Seven-year tax abatement (Rehabs)
- ➤SC Up to 25% off purchase price if current assessment is less than the purchase price

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Personal Property Taxes



- ➤ Does the state assess personal property?
- ➤ Yes CA, CO, GA, MI, NC, SC, TN, TX
- ➤No IL, HI, NY, MN, PA
- ➤ Are portable storage units considered personal property?

Note - Personal property depreciates, while real property appreciates

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Modeling Property Tax Expense



Method to Consider

- ➤ Replicate Tax Assessor's Method of Value
- ➤ What is the County's Reassessment Cycle?
- ➤ Are there Tax Assessment or Tax Rate Caps?
- ➤ Does the County offer a Tax Abatement?
- ➤ Model the Next Owner's Assessment at Sale

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Don't Overlook Modeling All Closing Cost



- Property Reports
 - o Property Condition
 - o Structural
 - Zoning & Survey
 - o Environmental (Phase I)
 - o Roof
 - Appraisal (lender)
- Property Signs & Office Set Up Cost
- Legal & Consulting
- Working Capital & Utility Deposits
- Transfer Taxes, Title Insurance & Mortgage Tax
 - o Custom of the county who pays
 - If title insurance is seller paid, don't overlook cost for the lender endorsements

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Rental Income - Points to Remember



- ➤ Start your valuation based on what's going to the bank, <u>NOT</u> what some facility reports show.
- > Request month-over-month financials to see the trends.
- > Are the financials prepared on the cash or accrual method?
- > How does the seller handle prepaid rents?
- How does the seller handle past due rents?
 - o Recorded on the balance sheet as a receivable?
 - O Written off on the income statement?

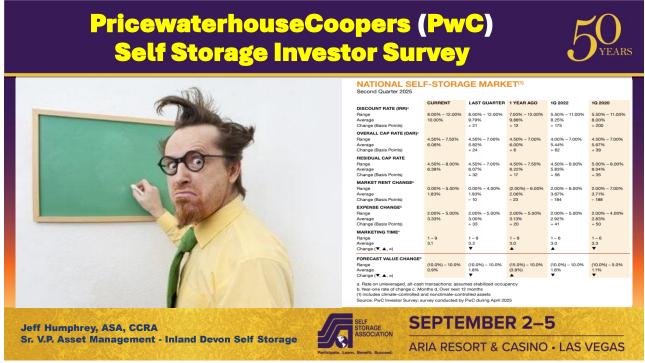
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Property Taxes Uncovered

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Podcast Discussion on Self Storage Values



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Closing Takeaways





- 1) It's your money Do a market study
- 2) Model to your business plan, don't duplicate seller's financials
- 3) Pay attention to income and expense trends
- 4) Start your financial model based on what's going to the bank
- 5) Transaction Tipping Points
 - How fast can we increase the rental rate?
 - What's going to happen with the property taxes?
 - What is the capital stack? (Debt & Equity Parameters)

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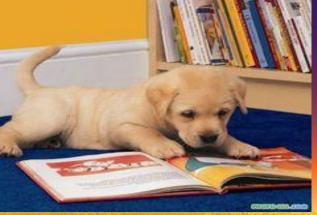
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The Stakes



Where do you lose the most momentum when it comes to employee experience?

- A. Onboarding
- B. Coaching
- C. Goal-setting
- D. Career growth



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The Cost of a Losing Streak



- Turnover Breaks the Machine
 High employee churn disrupts rentals, service, & team stability.
- \(\overline{\text{S}}\) Lost Chips = Lost Profits
 Reposting, rehiring, & retraining eat into your operational budget.
- R Customers Can Feel the Chaos Inconsistent staffing = inconsistent service = poor reviews.
- Smart Players Stay at the Right Tables
 Engaged employees who are trained & valued stick around & perform better.





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Training as Your First Bet



- 🗆 First impressions shape retention Great onboarding builds trust from Day 1.
- Training = your first promise
 Show employees you're invested in their success.

 Onboarding isn't one spin — it's a bonus round Build knowledge over time (30/60/90 days = progressive payouts)







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Your Bet



An Assistant Manager is struggling with rental conversions. What's your best bet?

- A. Assign an e-learning course
- B. Pull them aside for a coaching walk-through
- C. Wait for the next performance review





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Your Daily Multiplier



- Managers direct; coaches multiply Coaching focuses on growth, not just tasks.
- Informal coaching builds trust
 Conversations, not commands, keep players engaged.
- 70% of learning happens on the floor Coaching = real-time reinforcement = better odds.







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Before You Bet -Make it



Specific - What exactly needs to happen?

The goal focuses on daily follow-up with past-due tenants.

Measurable - How will success be tracked?

It sets a clear target — reduce *delinquency from 8% to 6%*.

Achievable - Is it realistic with current resources?

A 2% reduction in 30 days is realistic with daily effort.

Relevant - Does it tie into their role or store performance?

Directly impacts a core KPI that matters to the business.

Time-bound - When will it be done?

There's a 30-day deadline to track progress.





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Strategic Bets Pay Big



- SMART goals = smarter bets

 Clear, measurable targets reduce guesswork and boost performance.
- Align goals with facility KPIs
 Tie daily actions to revenue drivers: Occupancy, Collections, Reviews
- I Make goal check-ins part of 1:1s Don't set it and forget it — track and adjust.





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Double or Nothing



What's one coaching opportunity you've missed that you could re-engage next week?





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Long-Term Players



- □Growth keeps players at the table
 Map out the path: Ast. Manager → Store Manager → District Manager.
- Spot and grow high-potential talent
 Initiative, curiosity, and consistency are your signals.
- Stretch roles = readiness testing
 Give weekend leads, audits, or training support opportunities.





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Hitting The Jackpot



- What did you notice about their potential early on?
- M How did that impact your team's performance or culture?







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Culture Keeps Players at the Table



- Culture is how it feels to come to work—not just the tasks we do.

- Want retention? Build a place people want to play—and stay.





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Final Bet



Where do you lose the most momentum when it comes to employee experience?

Onboarding, Coaching, Goal-Setting, Career Growth

How are you going to bet differently?





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Your Winning Strategy



- Retention starts with strong training
 First impressions matter set employees up to win early.
- Coaching builds trust and growth
 Daily conversations and feedback keep the machine running.





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Cash Out & Collect



Grab your tools to win big:

SMART Goal-Setting Worksheet

Employee Development Plan Template

Coaching Conversation Checklist

Use them to start winning at your location.







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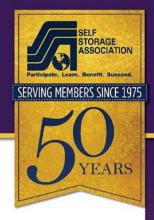
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REMOTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES TO HELP BOOST CUSTOMER SATISFACTION AND YOUR BOTTOM LINE

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Remote Management Strategies

Adam Wagner, President & Managing Partner, ASPM



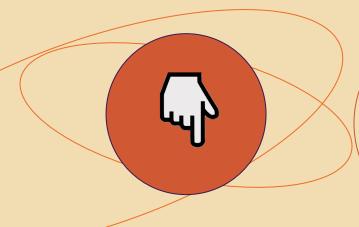
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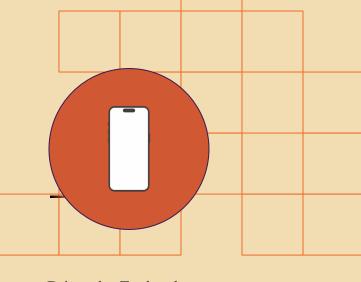




Remote Management Redefined







Remote management isn't "set it and forget it"

It requires a hands -on, day -to -day approach to effectively manage facilities.

Concierge-Like Experience for Tenants

Driven by Technology and human expertise

Leveraging a combination of innovative tools and dedicated staff to optimize operations.



5 Key Steps to Mastering Remote Management

Step 2:

Virtual Leasing Experience Step 3:

Tenant Management

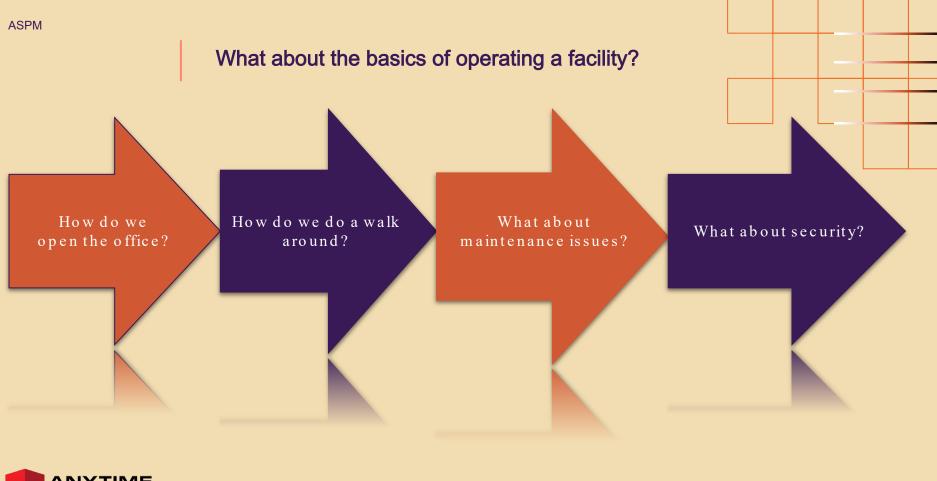
Through Tech

Step 5: **Driving Profits with** Step 4: Remote Management Creating Loyal & Happy Tenants

Step 1: Basics

Basics of Operations







Virtual Leasing[Experience

In Office Enhanced Property Showcase

Virtual tours showcasing security and features.

Over the phone

How do we meet the customer where they are at on the phone?

Renting online

Rent online!

Instant online leasing options.



Better Tenant Management Through Tech

1

Communication Software

- Utilize proprietary software like RCM to facilitate seamless transparent communication between tenants and agents.
- Call Scoring
- AISummary Uploads

2

PMS-Integration

• Leverage PMS
systems to
centralize tenant
data and
stream line
communication,
providing a
personalized and
efficient support
experience.

3

Remote Support Tools

- Empower tenants to communicate on their terms: VoIP, QR codes, Video calls
- Tenant Interfaces
- Remote Phone Support

4

Centralized Ticketing System

Implement a centralized ticketing system to track and manage tenant and maintenance requests, ensuring timely resolution and follow-up.



Creating Loyal, Happy Tenants





Improving Employee Productivity

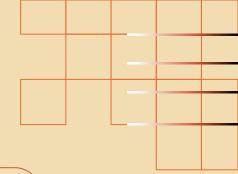
Automating repetitive tasks to free up employee time for more value-added activities

Implementing clear workflows for seamless team coordination

 Our managers are constantly selling and handling customers allowing them to become more proficient



Driving Profits with Remote Management



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Cost Savings

Lower labor and operational expenses to boost your bottom line.

Better Conversions

Benefit from skilled staff who drive higher conversion rates.

Tech ROI

Maximise returns through smart technology investments.

Profit Metrics

Track profitability with clear, actionable KPIs.



Future-Proofing with Smart Technology

➤ loT locks, sensors, and automation tools

Striking a balance between technology and personalized service

Combining innovation with human touch

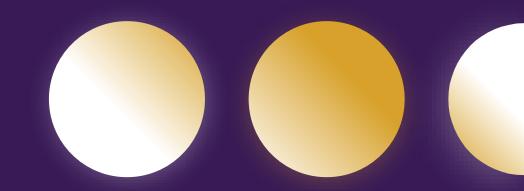




The solution

Key Takeaways & Next Steps

- What can I do to implement a technology forward management approach?
- ★ How will my tenants benefit from technology?
- ★ Can I redefine my facility management style to future proof my company?





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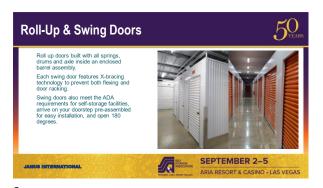


















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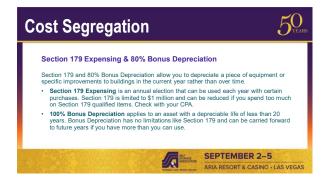




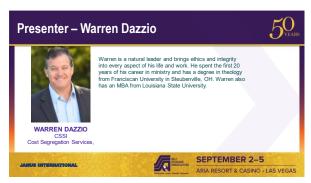


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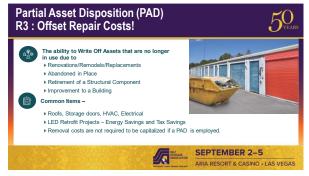


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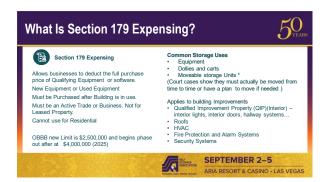


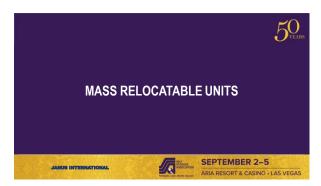






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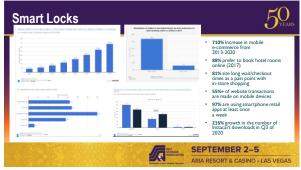


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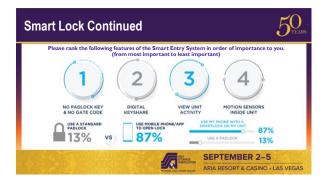






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RED FLAGS AND GREEN LIGHTS: REAL-WORLD LESSONS FROM 3 DECADES OF DUE DILIGENCE

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Pulling Back the Curtain: What Really Drives a Deal's Success



• Today's goal is to sharpen your eye—not just for numbers, but for the truth behind them.

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How to Spot Red Lights That Don't Show Up on a Financial Statement



- Deferred maintenance not listed in expenses (e.g., aging HVAC, roof issues, pest control).
- Unrealistic payroll numbers—owner-managed or underpaid staff.
- Questionable occupancy—high occupancy but low revenue per square foot.
- No marketing spend—zero budget but "high occupancy" is a red flag.
- Mismatch between Leads and reported rentals.

☆ Tips:

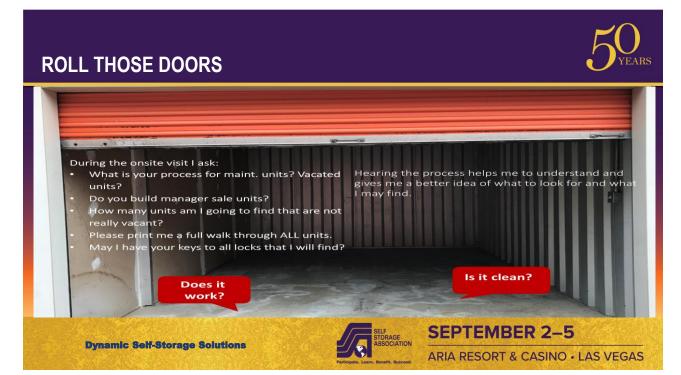
- Walk the property slowly and methodically. ROLL EVERY VACANT EVERY MAINTENANCE UNIT WATCH THE CUSTOMERS
- Review maintenance logs and CapEx records. HIRE A GROUP TO PERFORM THE PCA - Even if that is just to get a professional out to give you a bid to service/repair/replace. ASK THE MANAGER ABOUT THEIR WISH LIST
- Interview the manager discreetly. This conversation itself is why it is best to hire a third party group for DD. They want to talk but are afraid of seller and are on best behavior for buyer.

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The Operational Indicators That Predict Future Performance



- Staff engagement and competence: Do they know the rates? Are they sales-oriented?
- Customer reviews—Google, Yelp, SpareFoot tell a story.
- · Collections process—Automated? Consistent? What % past due? Working deals? How do they hold their auctions? Signed leases?
- Revenue Management—Dynamic pricing or fixed rate sheet?
- Lead response time—Secret shop response time to inbound leads.

Look For

- A clean, organized office.
- Clear signage and unit labeling.
- Operational checklists used on site.
- Leases, Leases Leases Signed? Allows for changes? Correct state and statutes?

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Questions Every Buyer Should Ask (But Often Forgets)



- Ask These:
- Why is the current owner selling?
- What would you do differently if you kept the property?
- How long have your longest tenants been here?
- How are you currently tracking delinquencies and collections?
- · What percentage of units are on autopay?
- Insider Tip: Ask the onsite manager what frustrates them the most—there's often gold in that answer.

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Common Traps in Underwritten Assumptions



- **∧** Key Traps:
- Assuming aggressive rent growth without accounting for market saturation.
- Normalizing bad debt too optimistically.
- Assuming full economic occupancy from day one.
- Missing payroll increases—especially with REIT competition.
- OUnderestimating property tax reassessment post-sale.
- Not obtaining new property insurance quotes Five year loss run
- Pro Tip: Have a third-party underwrite the deal independently of the broker's or seller's packet.

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How to Read Between the Lines in Seller-Provided Data



- What to Watch:
- Inconsistent rent rolls and unit counts—audit against site maps and visual counts.
- Manual edits or rounding in P&Ls—round numbers are rarely reality.
- Missing source documents like bank statements or property tax bills.
- Timing of T12—Is it truly trailing 12 or cherry-picked?
- Investigative Approach: Match move-in/move-out logs against rent roll deltas.
- Investigative Approach: Match P&L to Management Summary to Bank Statement

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Real Examples of Deals That Looked Great on Paper—And Why They Weren't



Case 1: "High Occupancy, Low Income"

- 92% occupied, but half were \$1 move-ins never converted.
- · Poor collections and no rate increases in years.
- E Case 2: "Clean Financials, Dirty Property"
- Seller used CPA to sanitize books, but units had mold and unpaid repairs.
- One bank account for 5 businesses Gambler washing winnings
- Case 3: "Perfect NOI... from 2 Years Ago"
- Outdated T12 didn't reflect market softness, new competitor opened 3 months prior.
- Case 4: "Underwriting Assumed Lease-Up in 6 Months"
- In a submarket where it actually takes 36 months on average.

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Keep The Goal in Mind





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Regardless of what you find, what you found gives you power to make decisions. You will either move forward or walk away. If you go forward, you do so with your eyes wide open and prepared. It gives you the ability to make a smooth transition.

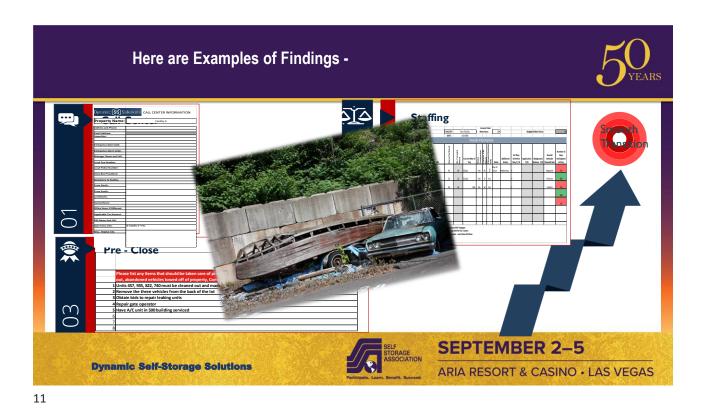
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Make the transition smooth. Use what you found to prepare the team. Believe me, there will still be plenty of surprises ahead!

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Wrap-Up & Tools to Take With You Checklist to Leave With: Site visit checklist • USB drive with reports - .pdf & .xls Knowledge of Competition Planning and Zoning Updates Photos of EVERYTHING SEPTEMBER 2-5 **Dynamic Self-Storage Solutions**





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Rising Property Insurance Premiums Are Impacting Deals



- Insurance costs continue to be unpredictable, affecting an owner/operator's ability to underwrite with any certainty.
- Increased insurance costs can directly impact the facilities' net operating income, which can lead to lower property valuations and extended timelines to close on deals.
- The increased financial burden of insurance can deter potential buyers, leading to a smaller pool of interested parties and potentially forcing sellers to accept lower offers or hold onto properties longer than intended.
- As such, it is of utmost importance for owner/management to recover all monies due in the event of a large property damage incident.





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What's Behind the Increase in CRE Insurance Premiums?



- Commercial property insurance premiums have significantly increased over the past five years, driven by factors such as increased weather-related damages, rising replacement costs, and financial strain of the insurer.
- The increase in insurance premiums varies by location, with properties in disaster-prone areas experiencing the highest increases, and/or the most restrictive policy terms.
- Large institutional operators can negotiate better insurance rates, while smaller operators, especially in high-risk areas, face greater financial strain due to rising premiums.
- Your insurance premiums will likely continue to increase regardless of claim history or size. It is critical for your business' survival to recover all monies due per your policy.





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What Can You Do To Mitigate Your Costs Pre-Loss?



- Premiums are influenced by factors such as the facility's location, age, construction type, condition, and security features, with higher-risk areas generally facing higher premiums. Keeping your security system and property in top shape can improve your chances of securing a better rate.
- Implementing risk-management strategies, such as upgrading security features and maintaining sprinkler systems and alarms, requiring tenants to purchase insurance/protection policies, and keeping up with maintenance, can positively influence insurance costs and potentially lead to discounts.
- Work with a specialized Agent or Broker who you trust! Find and develop a good working relationship with an agent or broker long before the time comes to renew your coverage. This person can lead you in the right direction and will be a key part of your risk management plan.





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Working With A Trusted Broker: Ask The Right Questions!



- Remember, there are NO dumb questions when it comes to having a full understanding of your investment. Below are a few items you will want to discuss when choosing the appropriate policy for your facility or portfolio:
 - 1) Understanding your policy limits and terms: Ask your broker about your deductible, any exclusions, and your coverage limits for all claim types.
 - 2) Deductibles: Ask how you can adjust the deductible to fit your needs and potentially achieve a lower premium. Consider your exposure if a wind/hurricane deductible is available!
 - 3) Replacement Cost Estimator: Does your broker run replacement cost estimators? If so, how can that impact your premium?
 - 4) Blanket Coverage: This is an option for some, but not all. Discuss blanket coverage at different percentages, but be sure to have a thorough understanding of co-insurance penalties!





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You have suffered property damage, now what?



- Have a disaster plan in place and know your responsibilities as an insured ahead of any loss.
- Document all damage, activities, and expenses.
- Protect your property from further damage.
- Make decisions that are best for your business survival.
- Hire an adjusting team to represent YOUR interests





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Why Hire Your Own Team of Experts



- Substantial amount of time and manpower is required to present a claim.
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- Working with your own adjusting team allows the insured to benefit from our decades of claims experience.
- Working with your own representatives allows insureds and staff to focus on their core business.
- Working with your own highly qualified representatives provides assurance that the entire team of experts (adjuster, building estimator, inventory specialists, accountants) is one that only works for the insured, not the insurance company, ultimately maximizing your claim's final settlement value.





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What We Do



- Stabilize the property, through overseeing emergency services, to help mitigate the claim
- Measure all damages
- · Facilitate interim partial payments
- Move through the adjustment process to conclusion of the insurance claim
- Maintain strict confidentiality throughout the claim process







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Our Process



Claim Components

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The right way to settle claims

- · Identify Owner/Operator's goals & objectives
- · Analyze coverage
- · Review emergency services to date and claim implications
- · Recommend additional services as required
- · Categorize emergency services performed
- · Review of potential code requirements and coverage
- Estimate permanent building repairs
- · Estimate the Business Personal Property losses
- · Measure Income and Extra Expense losses
- · Facilitate interim partial payments
- · Recover withheld depreciation
- Bring momentum to the adjustment process, leading to the conclusion of the insurance claims



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Common Claims & Issues that Impact the Self Storage Industry





- Fire
- Storm / Hurricane
- Water Damage / Mold
- Wind & Hail
- Builder's Risk

- Collapse
- Vehicle vs. Building
- Cybersecurity
- Vandalism
- Wild Fire / Civil Authority
- Electronic and Elevator Issues





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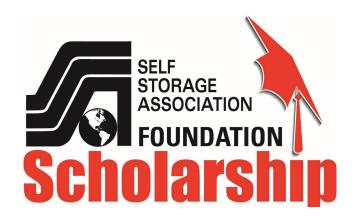




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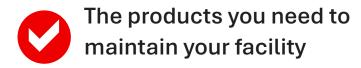


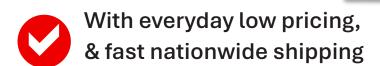
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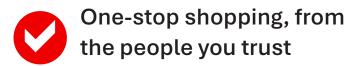
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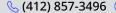


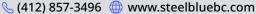
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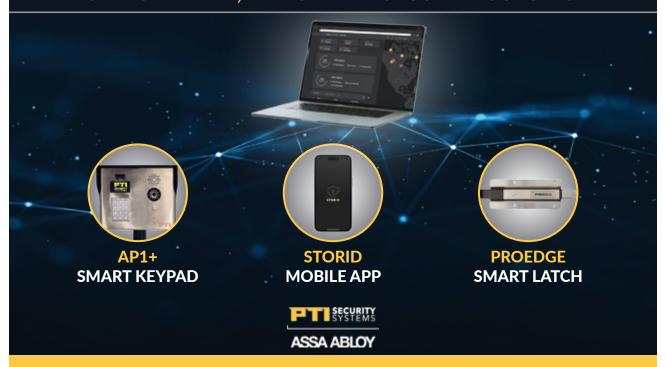








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