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## **The Real Estate Finance Association is gearing up for a busy fall schedule**

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Boston, MA REFA hosted a few events this past month for its Emerging Leader membership. On July 27th, the Emerging Leaders Committee met in person for the first time since early 2020. Over 40 members gathered at Tia's on the Waterfront for an evening networking reception.

On Wednesday, August 4th, The Davis Companies hosted the REFA Emerging Leaders on an exclusive tour of the Omni Boston Hotel at the Seaport, which is set to open in September. The group had the opportunity to tour spaces such as the pool deck/rooftop, bar, lobby, and guest rooms. The Davis Companies' Ravi Ragnauth, CFO & CCO, and Jason Tilley, VP, development, led the tour and provided insight into the development of each of the spaces.

This year's Annual Charitable Golf & Tennis Tournament is sold out of foursomes, but there is still room to participate in the Tennis Tournament. The tournament will be held on Monday, August 23rd at Dedham Country & Polo Club. The tournament benefits two of REFA's charitable partners who aim to end homelessness in Greater Boston: FamilyAid Boston and Rosie's Place. More information about the tournament can be found at [www.REFAGolf.com](http://www.REFAGolf.com).

REFA's Emerging Leaders will be hosting an in-person Fall Panel & Reception on Tuesday, September 21st on the topic of risk. Lauren O'Neil, managing director & Boston office co-head, JLL will moderate the conversation with Nilesh Bubna, founding partner & CFO, Longpoint Realty Partners and Marilyn Mawn, executive director, JP Morgan.

On Tuesday, October 5th, REFA will be hosting an in-person Breakfast Program held at a convenient downtown location. The program focused on multifamily, will be moderated by Travis D'Amato, managing director, investment sales, Walker & Dunlop. The panelists include: Jessica Buonopane, vice president, residential properties, National Development, Saeed Coates, president and portfolio manager, the GPG Companies, Sandi Silk, senior vice president, development partner, Jefferson Apartment Group and Joshua Solomon, president, DSF Group.

The 33rd Annual REFA Gala is being held on Tuesday, October 26th at the Westin Copley Place. This year's Gala will be honoring two companies, The Bulfinch Companies, Inc. and WinnCompanies, who have both gone above and beyond in the last year for our community and their employees throughout the pandemic. This event will be REFA's first large scale in-person event since the 2019 REFA Gal. Sponsorship and registration information will be available soon.

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