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## **2024 Women in CRE: Kara Chiccarelli, The Procopio Companies**

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What recent project, transaction, or accomplishment are you most proud of? I am thrilled to have kicked off construction on our project at 339 Boston Post Rd. East in Marlborough, called Vesa. We closed on the property in May and currently have foundations underway. The project will have 140 units across three buildings all nestled into the beautiful, wooded site along with some awesome amenities. We have a great project team led by Maugel Destefano Architects and our in-house construction management team. This is the first project I will be managing since joining the company in April and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to jump in at such an exciting stage.

What advice do you have for young women aspiring to enter commercial real estate? My advice for young women is to never stop learning. Choose a skill-set that you are most interested in but always be looking for ways to expand your breadth of knowledge. Working in commercial real estate can be both challenging and rewarding. With new development there is always more to learn. We have a great development team with people from a variety of backgrounds including construction, architecture, real estate sales and finance. It's important to be curious about all aspects of the business and learn as much as you can. Being well-rounded helps you make better decisions and become a better project leader.