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## ARA Reports Sale of Belmar Villas in Lakewood, Colorado

318-Unit, Value-add Community Adjacent to the Highly Desirable Belmar Redevelopment Area

**Lakewood, CO** (September 16, 2013) -- Atlanta-headquartered ARA, the largest privately held, full-service investment advisory brokerage firm in the nation focusing exclusively on the multihousing industry, recently brokered the sale of the 318-unit Belmar Villas in Lakewood, CO. ARA Colorado principals, Terrance Hunt, Shane Ozment, Jeff Hawks and Doug Andrews represented the seller in the transaction.

Seagate Properties, a California-based real estate investor, purchased Belmar Villas, which was 97% occupied at the time of closing.

Terrance Hunt explained, "With Lakewood being one of the strongest submarkets in the metro area and Belmar Villas performing very well, the property was very desirable. The Belmar redevelopment continues to pick up momentum, and the buyer intends to renovate the property. Once the property is upgraded, it will be a big competitor to newer properties that do not have the benefits of such a strong location."

Shane Ozment added, "Due to the lack of new construction, the buyer intends to continue the unit renovations and further capitalize on growing rents within the submarket."

Constructed in 1975 and renovated in 1991, Belmar Villas is uniquely positioned adjacent to the highly successful Belmar redevelopment with great access to major employment centers including downtown Denver, Saint Anthony Central Hospital and the Federal Center to the west. The property also benefits tremendously from being along the new West Light Rail Line which opened in April 2013, connecting the neighborhoods from downtown Denver out to Golden, Colorado. Belmar currently runs a complementary shuttle to and from the Wadsworth Light Rail Station as an added benefit for residents.

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