

## European-style apartments to fill vacant Oliver Tower in downtown Lansing, project by studio barberini & gunnell

Oliver Towers\_Eyde Company\_residential unit B\_538,2 ft²





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LANSING, MI — Plans have begun to renovate the vacant Oliver Tower in downtown Lansing into a mixed-use building.

The 8-story apartment structure at 310 Seymour Ave. has been vacant since a fire in 2000, but is set to be transformed by George F. Eyde Family, LLC

Office and retail space is set for the first floor of the building while 100 residential apartments will take up the second through the eighth floors. Eyde plans to invest about \$8 million to completely rehabilitate the tower.

Residential units ranging from 409- to 800-square feet will offer a European, efficient style according to Nick Eyde, the project developer of the Eyde Co.

"When I lived in Europe, I noticed the efficiency in their living units," Eyde said. "Everything had a space, a purpose and they are very efficient with how they use their space there, and I want to bring that here."

Eyde has done a number of rehabilitations throughout Lansing. Its most recent project, the [historic Knapp's Centre](#), is also a mixed-use structure of residential, retail and office space.

"Projects like this have helped transform Lansing in a positive way," Mayor Virg Bernero said. "If you build something cool and incomparable, people will come back to the city.

"Empty nesters, young people and even people like me want to come back to the city. They want to work and live and play all in the same place. The Eyde family understands that and is helping us lead the way." The project will begin by the end of 2015 and is completion is expected by 2017.