



2017 ANNUAL REPORT

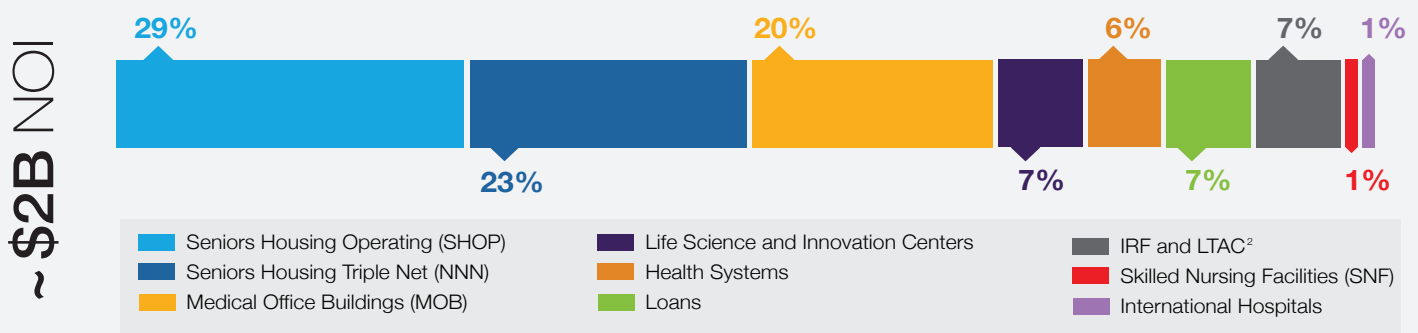
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2017 2016

Income from Continuing Operations per diluted common share	\$1.80	\$1.59
Normalized Funds from Operations (FFO) per diluted common share	\$4.16	\$4.13
Reported FFO (NAREIT FFO) per diluted common share	\$4.22	\$4.13
Net Debt to Adjusted Pro Form EBITDA ¹	5.7x	5.7x
Same Store Net Operating Income (NOI) Growth	2.5%	2.7%
Total Indebtedness to Gross Value	38%	38%
Fixed Charge Coverage	4.6x	4.8x

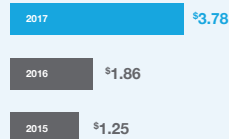
CURATED HIGH-QUALITY DIVERSIFIED PROPERTY PORTFOLIO



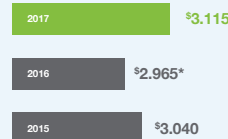
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Record Financial Results

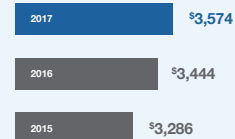
Net Income (per share)



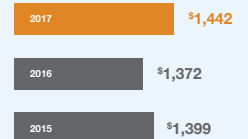
Dividend (per share)



Revenue (\$ millions)

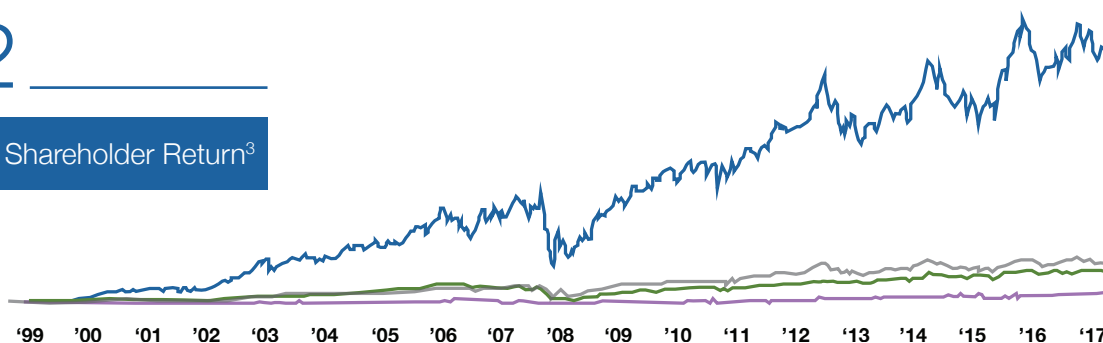


Cash Flow (\$ millions)



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Total Shareholder Return³



VENTAS
4,673%

BB HC REIT INDEX
731%

MSCI US REIT INDEX
593%

S&P 500 INDEX
158%

*Excludes share distribution associated with the spin-off of Capital Care Properties (CCP) in 2015

LETTER TO STAKEHOLDERS

Two Decades of Excellence. Sustained.

2017 was an outstanding year for Ventas, upholding our two decade history of excellence. Our superior business drove record revenues and cash flow. Our balanced, high-quality portfolio of life science, outpatient, seniors housing and other properties across the healthcare landscape delivered year-over-year earnings growth. We invested in our future, expanded our attractive university-based life science business, improved our financial strength, and profitably disposed of almost \$1 billion in assets.

In 2017, we also received numerous prestigious honors recognizing excellence in our important environmental, social and governance (ESG) efforts. We are proud of our inaugural inclusion on the Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index, and our designation as a “Winning Company” on the 2020 Women on Boards Gender Diversity Index. We were also named as one of *Fortune’s* “2018 World’s Most Admired Companies,” underscoring our industry leadership, commitment to ESG values, exemplary stewardship and world-class team.

Even with all of our achievements, Ventas knows there is so much more opportunity in the large, fragmented real estate healthcare space which continues to be supported by compelling demographic trends. In our highly dynamic market, the opportunities are immense and our position is strong.

In 2018, our 20th anniversary year, we remain relentlessly focused on delivering value to all our stakeholders. Our strategic principles—a **diversified portfolio** of superior properties across asset classes in our space, operated by **leading care providers, innovative premier institutions** and partners; **financial strength** and flexibility; a **secure dividend** supported by stable and growing cash flows; and **leadership** built on a foundation of integrity—will continue to produce reliable growth and income.

Ventas has consistently advanced and improved through cycles because we know that every environment provides pathways to create value. Our cohesive and skilled team stays consistently prepared, productive and ready to seize opportunities. With two decades of proven strategic vision, exceptional foresight and innovation, and intelligent, timely capital allocation decisions, we expect to build upon our successful track record long into the future.

Thanks to your ongoing trust and support, Ventas stands ready for the next twenty years.



DEBRA A. CAFARO
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer



2017 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

<p>\$1.8B</p> <p>of attractive value-creating investments and redevelopment commitments</p>	<p>5% YEAR-OVER-YEAR</p> <p>increase in the dividend</p>	<p>2.5%</p> <p>Same Store NOI Growth</p>
<p>~40%</p> <p>investment growth in University-adjacent Life Science Platform</p>	<p>80+</p> <p>community organizations supported through the Ventas Charitable Foundation</p>	<p>2,360%</p> <p>CEO Tenure TSR (Source: Bloomberg)</p>
<p>100+ LEED® AND ENERGY STAR®</p> <p>Certified properties throughout the portfolio</p>	<p>ONLY Healthcare REIT named in <i>Fortune's</i></p> <p>“2018 World’s Most Admired Companies”</p>	<p>\$1.4B</p> <p>increased liquidity</p>
<p>~\$1B</p> <p>in profitable dispositions</p>	<p>Positive gender diversity</p> <p>10% higher than S&P 500 average</p> <p>(Source: Catalyst.org)</p>	<p>Named to Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index for 1st time</p>

Note: Data per respective Q4 filings, press releases, supplemental disclosures and earnings conference calls for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, unless otherwise disclosed. This Annual Report contains certain non-GAAP financial measures. Reconciliations of each of these non-GAAP financial measures are available on the Company’s website at <https://www.ventasreit.com/investor-relations/non-gaap-financial-measures>

1) EBITDA: Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization

2) IRF and LTAC: Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility and Long-Term Acute Care

3) Bloomberg: For period beginning 12/31/1999 and ending 12/31/2017. Ventas prices adjusted historically for spin-off of skilled nursing facilities (SNF) in 2015.