

Level 7 Investors Basic Multifamily Investing Guide







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Introduction to Multifamily Investment

Multifamily real estate investing involves acquiring residential properties with multiple rental units, such as apartment buildings or townhome communities. These investments generate passive income through tenant rents while allowing for long-term appreciation and wealth building.

How Multifamily Compares to the Stock Market

While the stock market is prone to volatility, multifamily investments provide stable cash flow, tax advantages, and control over asset performance. Unlike stocks, real estate allows investors to influence value through property improvements and management efficiencies. Additionally, real estate is a tangible asset that historically appreciates over time, offering a hedge against inflation.

Tax Benefits of Multifamily Investing

Investing in multifamily properties offers several tax advantages, including:

- Depreciation: Allows you to deduct the cost of the building over time, reducing taxable income.
- 1031 Exchange: Enables you to defer capital gains taxes by reinvesting in another property.
- Mortgage Interest Deductions: Interest paid on loans is tax-deductible.
- Cost Segregation: Accelerates depreciation deductions to enhance cash flow.



Investing with a Self-Directed 401(k) or IRA

A Self-Directed IRA or 401(k) allows you to invest in multifamily real estate while preserving tax advantages. This strategy enables investors to grow their retirement funds through rental income and appreciation, diversifying away from traditional stocks and bonds.

How It Works:

- 1. Open a Self-Directed IRA or Solo 401(k) with a qualified custodian.
- 2. Transfer or roll over existing retirement funds.
- 3. Invest in multifamily properties through partnerships or syndications.
- 4. Enjoy tax-deferred or tax-free growth, depending on the account type.

How Multifamily Investments Create Value

Multifamily properties appreciate based on income growth and operational efficiency. Unlike single-family homes, which depend on comparable sales, multifamily properties are valued based on Net Operating Income (NOI) and Capitalization Rate (Cap Rate).

Understanding NOI and Cap Rate

- Net Operating Income (NOI): The income a property generates after all operating expenses but before debt service.
- Cap Rate: A measure of a property's return based on NOI and purchase price. Formula:



Forcing Appreciation in Multifamily

Unlike stocks, multifamily owners can directly influence value through:

- Raising rents via property upgrades
- Reducing operational expenses
- Improving tenant retention
- · Adding amenities to increase desirability

For example, increasing rents by \$50 per unit across a 100-unit complex results in \$60,000 additional annual income. If the market cap rate is 5%, this improvement alone can increase property value by \$1.2 million (\$60,000 / 5%).

The Basics of Napkin Underwriting

Napkin underwriting provides a quick, high-level analysis to determine if a deal is worth pursuing.

Example:

- 100-unit apartment complex
- Asking Price: \$10 million
- Average Monthly Rent: \$1,200 per unit
- Vacancy Rate: 5%
- Operating Expenses: 40% of Gross Income



Quick Analysis:

- 1. Gross Potential Income = $$1,200 \times 100 \times 12 = $1,440,000$
- 2. Effective Gross Income (EGI) = $$1,440,000 \times 95\%$ (accounting for vacancy) = \$1,368,000
- 3. Net Operating Income (NOI) = \$1,368,000 × 60% (after expenses) = \$820,800
- 4. Estimated Value (NOI \div Cap Rate) = \$820,800 \div 5% = \$16,416,000

If the asking price is \$10 million and the estimated value is \$16.4 million, this could be a strong investment opportunity.

The GrowthSync Framework™

Level 7 Investors follows a proprietary investment framework to ensure consistent, high-return investments for our investors.

1. Strategic Acquisitions

We utilize a proprietary market scorecard that evaluates 25 crucial data points to identify the best markets in the country. This data-driven approach allows us to invest only in markets with strong job growth, population trends, and economic stability.

2. Active Ownership

Unlike passive investors, we actively participate in property management and have a dedicated team member focused on training our property managers. Our background in hospitality ensures that tenants have a superior living experience, reducing turnover—one of the biggest expenses in multifamily real estate.



3. Scalable Growth

We focus on delivering strong returns while minimizing risk. Our strict investment criteria require:

- Minimum 5% Cash-on-Cash Return
- 20% Annualized Return
- At least a 2x Equity Multiplier (Double your money in two years)

If a deal does not meet these minimum standards, we will not invest or recommend it to our investors.

Book an Introductory Call with Us!

If you are ready to explore passive multifamily investing with Level 7 Investors, we invite you to schedule a call with us to learn more about our opportunities.



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