

Future of Providence Place mall unveiled as receivership promises major upgrades

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The Providence Place Mall. (WJAR)

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (WJAR) — Many have been wondering what the future of the Providence Place mall will look like since the mall [entered into receivership](#) toward the end of 2024, just a few months after its 25th anniversary.

Court-appointed receiver, attorney John Dorsey, told NBC 10 News that there are big improvements coming to the mall.

"Shoppers should feel very confident that Providence Place is going to continue to be Providence Place, but with the benefit of having additional resources dedicated to it through this receivership process," said Dorsey.

Dorsey and his business partner, Mark Russo, were appointed co-receivers of the mall in November as they wait for someone to purchase it.

"We've been working with brokers who are recognized in the marketplace," said Dorsey.

The Providence Place mall has made headlines in the past two months, one being Macy's listed for sale, but spared from closing.



Macy's inside of the Providence Place Mall. (WJAR)

"We're going to work very hard to convince Macy's to continue to work with the receivership and stay, and continue to work with the mall, and to date they've been a great partner," said Dorsey.

While Macy's has kept its doors open in Providence, [Tiffany & Co.](#) has not. The luxury jewelry store left the mall in January.

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There have also been [two recent attempted robberies inside the skybridge](#), which connects the mall to the Omni Hotel.

"The first thing we did is we increased security hours," explained Dorsey. "They had been cut by about 40% prior to the receivership."



Shoppers walking across the skybridge. (WJAR)

Dorsey told NBC 10 News that they have a new partnership with the Providence Police Department, where officers are issuing no trespassing notices to individuals known to have caused trouble at the mall.

They're also working to roll out new guidelines when it comes to teenagers congregating at Providence Place and are expect to release more information on new rules at the end of the month.

Lastly, we can expect to see improvements to the parking garage.

"All of the lift gates, payment kiosks, the associated infrastructure that goes with getting in and out of the garage, so that some of the delays we've encountered in the past will have significant improvements," explained Dorsey.

The attorney told NBC 10 News that they hope to have parking improvements implemented and installed as soon as this month.