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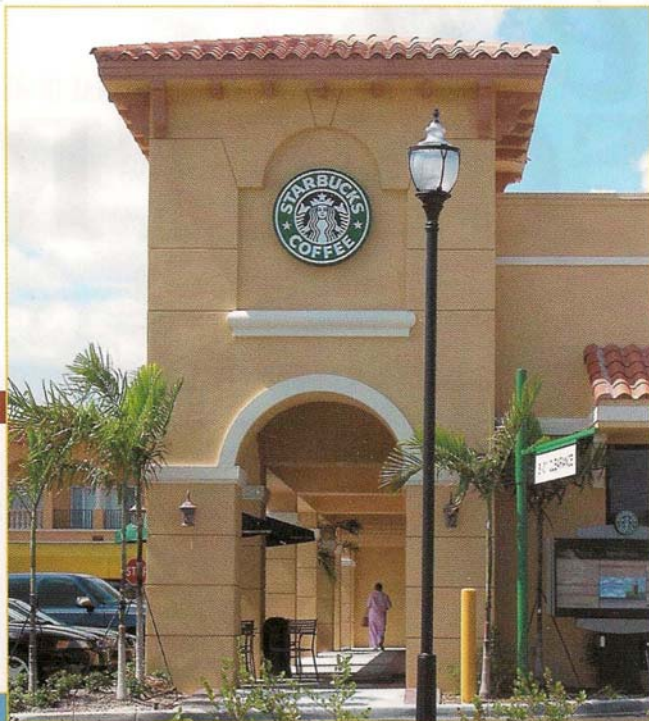
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Heritage Center in Pompano Beach, Fla., received a complete facelift.

Thousands of small, mixed-use retail centers dot corners throughout the country. Many of those built in the 50s and 60s need renovation or rebuilding. **Heritage Center** on North Federal Highway in Pompano Beach, Fla., is a good example of what can happen to one of these older centers when a landlord, architect and contractor collaborate successfully.

This 45,000-square-foot center is located within the city's redevelopment area, where older buildings are being rejuvenated to encourage economic development. The \$1 million-plus project transformed the shopping center's 1953 Mediterranean style building. Owned by **WSG Development**, the project was designed by **Gallo Architects &**

Development Consultants of Deerfield Beach, Fla. The general contractor was **KM Construction**.

The existing building was updated and renovated, and the entire site reworked to create a Mediterranean village-style plaza. Now, shoppers can enter the plaza by driving under an arched covered walkway to ample parking at the rear of the development. A brightened paint scheme and architectural elements including pop-ups and a second story balcony running the length of the building complete the site's revitalized façade.

Heritage Square is now fully occupied with tenants such as **Starbucks**, **Big & Tall**, **AT&T** and other high end retailers, as well as medical offices. **R**