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Erland Completes the New Leonard Florence Center for Living

Burlington, Massachusetts – Erland Construction, Inc. has completed construction of the new 91,000sf, 100-unit Leonard Florence Center for Living in Chelsea, Massachusetts for the Chelsea Jewish Foundation. This is the first skilled nursing facility built in Massachusetts in 13 years; the first urban Green House built in the United States; and the first facility of its kind for ALS and MS patients. Erland finished the project in nineteen months.



The 6-story skilled nursing facility features 10 “houses,” each with 10 bedrooms clustered around an open kitchen and living area. Modeled after the Green House style created by Dr. William Thomas, residents of each house enjoy home-cooked meals prepared in their own kitchen and served at a common table near their rooms. Each house has its own dedicated staff of caregivers responsible for preparing meals and assisting the residents. A separate clinical support team – including nurses, social workers, therapists, medical directors, nutritionists, and pharmacists – visit the houses regularly to provide services as needed.

Erland’s President, Steve McDonald, said, *“I’m really proud of this project. The fact that this building will change people’s lives makes it really special. Up until now, people with neurological disorders like ASL and MS, who could no longer be cared for at home, had to go to facilities geared toward geriatric care. I’m so happy that Erland was a part of building this incredibly important facility.”*



Erland teamed with development/financial consultants, Affirmative Investments; owner’s representative, CS2/NE; and architect, DiMella Shaffer Associates on this exciting and challenging endeavor.

Erland Construction, with offices in Burlington, Massachusetts and East Windsor, Connecticut, is the region’s leading open shop construction management, program management, design/build, and general contracting firm. The company has the specialized expertise for new construction, additions, and renovations in major market sectors including academic, residential, commercial, and healthcare.

Leonard Florence Center for Living, Chelsea, MA
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