

Bethany Apartments filling up fast at Cardinal Cushing Centers

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The Bethany Apartments at the Cardinal Cushing Center welcomed its first residents during the second week of June, a process that those at the center said has gone “swimmingly.”

“The apartments here are lovely, but you really appreciate them even more when you realize what they used to look like,” said Jansi Chandler, Cardinal Cushing Center’s Vice President of Development. “Of the 37 apartments, 32 are occupied at the moment. We hope that people will continue to apply for and move into those remaining five apartments.”

The building, originally student dormitories, was most recently used as offices for the center’s staff, but had fallen into disrepair and was dilapidated.

A lottery process, begun at the start of this year, received several hundred applications for residency in the apartments, most of which are two-bedroom. They have been filled on a first-come, first-served basis among qualified applicants.

“There was heavy marketing in the Hanover area with a local preference,” said Project Manager David Aiken. “There was marketing for town employees, at the Hanover Mall marquee, they put the website where to find information, through online advertisements and with local businesses.”

With all of the marketing throughout the area, the center had to meet affirmative fair marketing requirements, and the placements were decided by a program type based on the area median income as of April 4, 2018.

One of the four one-bedroom units, 19 of the 25 two-bedroom units and three of the four three-bedroom units are classified as affordable, to be rented to individuals making 50 or 60 percent of the AMI.

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