## NEI General Contracting Transforms Dormitory into Affordable Housing

Kennedy Hall gets new life as Bethany Apartments

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The Cardinal Cushing Center in Hanover, Mass. has supported children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities through education, employment training, residential care, and other services since the late 1940's. Constructed in 1957 as a dormitory,

Kennedy Hall has been converted into 37 spacious units with a mix of one-, two-, and threebedroom units. The design preserved the historic envelope of the three-story H-shaped brick building and maintained the existing structure. Interior historic features underwent careful restoration. The chapel was converted into an open community room with 15-foot ceilings, while other spaces were converted into a resident lounge, fitness center, quiet reading room, offices and additional resident amenities.

"We turned to NEI General Contracting for this project because of their expertise in and commitment to the preservation of historic and landmark properties," said Bill Grogan, chief operating officer and general counsel for the Planning Office for Urban Affairs. "We have enjoyed a long and productive working relationship with NEI and appreciate all they have done to help us create more high-quality housing."

Project team members include:

- General Contractor: NEI General Contracting
- Architect: The Architectural Team (TAT)
- Civil Engineer and Landscape Architect: Horsley Witten Group
- Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Fire Protecting (MEP/FP) Engineer: Wozny Barbar & Associates
- Historic Consultant: MacRostie Historic Advisors, LLC
- Owner's Rep: WaypointKLA, Inc.

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