



Historic Bowles Hall Earns LEED Silver Certification

MEMPHIS, Tenn., August 3, 2017 — The renovation of Bowles Hall, the historic residential college on the campus of the University of California, Berkeley, has received yet another honor, LEED Silver certification.



Bowles Hall was completely renovated in 2016 by the Bowles Hall Foundation and EdR (NYSE:EDR), one of the nation's largest developers, owners and managers of high quality collegiate housing. It first opened its doors in 1928 and was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. The renovation effort won the prestigious Innovator Award for Best Renovation of Existing University Housing and EdR president Tom Trubiana said the LEED Silver certification is another well-earned honor.

“Given all of the historical preservation work required in this project, bringing Bowles Hall to any modern efficiency standard is an accomplishment,” said Trubiana. “Earning this LEED Silver certification demonstrates our company’s dedication to innovative thinking and sustainable construction practices.”

In addition to LEED standards, the renovation had to meet Historic Building Code requirements for life safety and ADA compliance. The renovation scored high marks for innovation in design and substantial improvements in water use efficiency. In addition to the LEED Silver standard, Bowles Hall performs 20 percent in excess of the California Energy Commission’s Title 24 energy efficiency standards.

“The revitalization of Bowles Hall continues to enrich the lives of students who live and learn there,” said John Baker, president of the Bowles Hall Foundation. “This sustainability certification is another drawing card for students interested in pursuing their academic goals as a part of our unique residential college.”

The \$39.5 million renovation and modernization of the building started in summer of 2015 and will serve University of California, Berkeley students for decades to come.

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