

## Colwen Managements \$8.5m Courtyard by Marriott in final stages

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Colwen Management's new Courtyard by Marriott in downtown is planned to open this month. The new Courtyard by Marriott will be a full service 78,000 s/f, 100 room hotel including conference and event facilities for corporate and private functions of up to 200 guests. The contractor for the project is ProCon, Inc. Construction began on the facility in August 2009, and is currently in the final stages of obtaining LEED Certification; being constructed to meet the highest of environmental standards. The hotel cost \$8.5 million, including FF&E to build. The new Courtyard is in ideal proximity to Keene State College, and many of the area's major businesses.

The hotel and function center is striving to be the first LEED certified facility in the greater Monadnock region, making it the perfect choice for government-related conferences that require hosting in a

LEED Certified facility, or for guests who are looking for an environmentally friendly venue. Regional and recycled materials have been used in construction, and environmentally beneficial strategies include the use of white roofing, deploying water efficient landscaping, and promoting alternate transportation. The new event facility plans to reduce water usage by 30%, utilize optimized energy management systems, provide enhanced indoor air quality and ventilation, and utilize "green cleaning" practices, benefiting both its guests and the environment.

The hotel and conference center will offer a creative catering menu, dedicated event coordinator and professional wait staff to attend to guest's every need. The refined urban décor includes distinctive custom finishes naturally subdued by earth tones to create the perfect atmosphere for productive business meetings or elegant social occasions from the smallest gathering to groups of 200. The space features recycled flooring and wall coverings, and oversized windows that fill the flexible function rooms with natural light.

The hotel and conference center are conveniently located downtown and offer shopping and dining just steps away. The hotel will offer 128 eco-friendly spacious suites with luxury bedding, indoor pool, fitness center, Wi-Fi and a Starbuck's Café.

Courtyard by Marriott Keene Downtown features a convenient downtown Keene location, and 2,250 square feet of conference and event space. Construction and systems have been designed with full intention of acquiring the coveted LEED certification.

For more information, visit keenecourtyard.com.

Colwen Hotel Management oversees the management of numerous hotel properties throughout the country, directs all activities within the properties, and maintains standards set by Marriott International and Hilton Hotels Corporation.

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