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Erland completes new assisted living & memory care community

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Newton, MA Erland Construction, alongside PWC Companies and JSA Inc., has completed a new four-story assisted living and memory care community for Sunrise Senior Living. Located at the corner of Washington and Hovey St., Sunrise of Newton's new senior living residence is Erland's third out-of-the-ground project with Sunrise and fifth overall.

The ground-up building offers 85 suites serving up to 108 residents. Each residence is specifically constructed for seniors and their unique needs. Standard features of the building include wheelchair accessible suites and common rooms, showers modified to fit all different assistance devices, and hallways with assistance handrails. The new community is pet friendly, and features amenities including underground parking, a bistro, outdoor park, and common areas with fireplaces.

"We are proud to be a part of creating a space where Sunrise can continue to carry out its mission of championing the quality of life for all seniors," said Eric Greene, VP, residential group manager, Erland. "The efforts put forth to bring this exceptional assisted living and memory care community to life, especially under the constraints of the COVID-19 pandemic, were outstanding. A great accomplishment by all involved."

Every suite includes custom finishes to help create a home-like environment and safety features, such as an emergency response system, giving residents the ability to call Sunrise staff 24 hours per day. Some residences include access to a balcony as well. The new 101,000 s/f community in Newton Corner's suburban neighborhood is set back and will soon be surrounded by lush landscaping.

"Constructing this new community on a tight site that sits on the corner of a busy intersection and abuts neighboring homes was a unique challenge," said Alan Scott, project executive, Erland. "Building Sunrise of Newton required not only a vision but, collaboration and skill. It's because of our strong subcontractor partnerships and communication with town officials that we were able to successfully overcome these project complexities."

Safety was Erland's top priority throughout construction. Erland worked to mitigate disruption to neighboring homes as well as the flow of traffic along this busy intersection.

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