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### **Dimeo Construction Company Completes North Residential Area at University of Massachusetts - Amherst**

**Amherst, MA** –As Construction Manager at Risk, Dimeo recently completed building 313,680 sf of new student residences consisting of four buildings, each with five floors designed by ARC/Architectural Resources Cambridge, Inc. The buildings are block and plank construction with brick and curtainwall façade. The typical floor layout consists of 12 suites with four single-occupant bedrooms in each suite. This was a fast track project completed in just 12 months.

Located adjacent to Eastman Lane and the existing Sylvan Housing complex, the new residences are the beginning of an expansion project for the student population of 5,000 students which will span over the next ten years. The plan for the new facility provides a bridge from the main campus to sites that will accommodate the future expansion.

The project was designed to supply a total of 864 beds to meet urgent housing needs on campus. Clusters of five-story buildings house approximately 216 students each. The buildings are organized around quadrangles, encouraging the sense of community and collegiate competition amongst residential “houses”. Located near outdoor spaces, the dorms provide easy access to fields for intramural team usage, as well as passive use of the quadrangles for outdoor study and other leisure activities.

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