

New apartment building now open at Edwards campus of Colorado Mountain College

CMC, Eagle County each have half of the 36 units

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Colorado Mountain College Vice President and Vail Valley Campus Dean Marc Brennan, left, Monday joined the Eagle County Board of Commissioners for a ribbon-cutting ceremony at a new 36-unit apartment building at the college's Edwards campus. The commissioners are, from the center to the right, Matt Scherr, Kathy Chandler-Henry and Jeanne McQueeney.

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A second apartment building is now open at the Colorado Mountain College campus in Edwards.

The Jan. 22 ribbon-cutting for the 36-unit building – now called 162 Miller Ranch Road – marked a quick turnaround from plan to reality.

How it works

Of the 36 studio and two-bedroom units at 162 Miller Ranch Road:

- 24 are studio units
- 12 are two-bedroom units
- 18 are reserved for Colorado Mountain College faculty, students and staff.
- 18 are for Eagle County employees and those who meet residency requirements.
- For more information, go to HousingEagleCounty.com.

Kim Bell Williams, the executive director of the Eagle County Housing and Development Authority, said it took just 18 months from plan to ribbon-cutting. Bell Williams said that's because the college has a template for apartment buildings that are used at campuses in Breckenridge, Steamboat Springs, near Glenwood Springs and Edwards.

The buildings all have 36 units, split between 24 studios and 12 two-bedroom units.

The college has authority over half the units, which are reserved for faculty, staff and students. The other half of the units are controlled by Eagle County. Those units are available first to county employees, then to residents who meet the county's residency and employment requirements.

The county's applications for the units went live this week, and Bell Williams said there have already been more than 55 applications.

The building was paid for by the county housing authority, using \$11.5 million in funds from the early 2022 sale of the Lake Creek Village Apartments. Colorado Mountain College continues to own the land under the building and will pay for the structure over time. Bell Williams said the housing authority will use that money to build a third 36-unit building on the Edwards campus.