

Beverly Village for Living & the Arts

Beverly, Massachusetts

Beverly Village for Living & the Arts is a transformative mixed-use development located in the historic Briscoe School building, a longtime Beverly landmark. Completed in August 2025, the project repurposes the historic school as a vibrant hub, combining affordable senior housing with dedicated arts spaces.



The Briscoe School had served the community for decades as an educational institution. Through adaptive reuse, the development team carefully preserved key architectural features of the original structure, including moldings and facades, maintaining the building's historic character while enabling it to fulfill a new and vital community role.

The primary challenge was converting a historic school building into affordable senior housing and an arts center, while preserving its architectural integrity. The project addressed this by integrating galleries, performance areas, and community gathering spaces alongside residential units, creating an environment that fosters both cultural enrichment and community connection.

Affordable senior housing addresses a critical need in the Beverly community, enabling residents from diverse backgrounds to remain in the community they know. The arts spaces enrich Beverly's cultural landscape, offering opportunities for local artists and strengthening neighborhood bonds. The project also incorporates energy-efficient systems and sustainable materials, demonstrating a commitment to environmental stewardship.

Beverly Village for Living & the Arts exemplifies how historic preservation can be harmoniously integrated with contemporary community needs, honoring a building's past while transforming it into a resource that serves present and future generations of residents.

Project Team

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