Leading Innovation in Campus Housing

When the East Campus Housing Project was constructed in 2017, Colorado College became one of three campuses nationwide that have built new housing as part of the Association of College and University Housing Officers-International (ACUHO-I) 21st Century initiative.

INNOVATION:
- The arrangement of the buildings and the internally facing entry locations promote security and create the feeling of a close-knit and independent student neighborhood within the larger campus community.
- In-house, net-zero-energy-ready design provides the most efficient housing on campus while integrating air conditioning to support summer conferences.
- Promotes a turnkey and collaborative planning, design, and construction project delivery model.
- New facilities are only residence halls that use air conditioning.

SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES:

ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIORS:
- Renewable and regionally sourced materials
- Natural light capture
- Passive shading
- Natural ventilation
- Use of locally harvested beetle kill pine for furniture and finishes
- Enhanced exterior envelope insulation

ENERGY AND SYSTEMS:
- High-efficiency ground-source (geothermal) heat pump system.
- LED lighting throughout.
- Solar collection incorporating an active photo-voltaic array on the Community Building, Roberts House, and Heckman House. All other buildings “solar ready” for future PV array installation.
- Low-flow plumbing fixtures throughout.

OPERATIONS EFFICIENCY:

Chiles, Fleming, Goodacre, and Salazar Houses

Electric
Renewable
Natural Gas

Heckman House
Roberts House
Clark and Ellingwood Houses
Hybl Community Center

Previous Campus Average