



# 450 Columbus Boulevard Update

## March 2016

## *Keeping You Updated About 450 Columbus Blvd*

### Construction update

Construction work is in full swing as we prepare for the first of over 2,100 state employees to move in beginning this summer. The office floors at the top of the South Building are taking shape nicely with the installation of new acoustical tile ceilings, painted walls and installation of carpeting all happening this month. Attractive built-in cabinetry and banquette seating is being set in place in the break rooms. Ceramic tile, wall wainscoting and floors are being installed in the breakrooms, as well as in the new restrooms on each office floor.



## *Committee work during the month of February and March*

### **Adapting to New Work Spaces Committee: Met February 4**

- Committee suggested setting up easily recognizable “Ambassadors” for move in day...we will have volunteers stationed in the garage, elevator bank and plaza level to help everyone navigate the new building.

### **Emergency Protocol Sub Committee Met March 1, 2016**

- Discussed specifics related to evacuation procedures for the tenant manual. Sub Committee, suggested either “live” or video training for everyone in building rather than having procedures highlighted only in tenant manual.

### **Emergency Protocol Committee Met March 21, 2016**

- Shared outline of Welcome booklet and Tenant Manual as related to emergency protocols for fire evacuations, active shooter emergencies, threatening phone calls etc... Statewide Security and Facilities staff will lead “tours” of evacuation paths sometime during the first week of each move in.

## *Did You Know*

- 1. Each office floor will have an attractive new break room equipped with two new refrigerators, microwave ovens, sink, counters and cabinets in addition to comfortable chairs with tables.
- 2. Each office floor will have a sound masking system to reduce conversations and other sounds (i.e. music, conversations) from traveling to adjacent areas.
- 3. Each office floor will have pleasant views of either the Connecticut River or the downtown skyline.
- 4. We will have 2 water fountains in the break room along with a built-in filtered water bottle filler... eliminating the need for “water clubs”.
- 5. Dunkin’ Donuts Park, the home of the new Hartford Yard Goats and a stone’s throw from 450 Columbus Blvd., is scheduled to play their opening game against the Trenton Thunder on Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at 7:05. Click here for info on their schedule and party decks!  
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