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Courtyard Fort Lauderdale Weston Completes Major Lobby Renovation

Weston, Florida, hotel's new design features high-tech GoBoard, flexible work and social spaces and a 24/7 food-and-beverage market

Weston, FL – Marriott International Inc. has announced that the 171-room <u>Courtyard</u> <u>Fort Lauderdale Weston</u> at 2000 N. Commerce Parkway in Fort Lauderdale, FL, has completed a major renovation of its lobby.

The hotel in Weston, Florida now features the brand's new Refreshing Business lobby

concept, designed to give travelers the flexibility to work and socialize however they choose while on the road.

"From day one, Courtyard has prided itself as a brand that listens to what travelers want from a hotel," said Janis Milham, vice president and global brand



manager of Courtyard by Marriott. "Guests want more control and choice with services and amenities that create a healthy balance between working and relaxing. We redefined the Courtyard lobby so it invites guests to get out of their rooms to work, socialize or for entertainment, whether traveling alone or with colleagues."

The new open, bright and contemporary lobby at the <u>Weston, Florida hotel</u> welcomes guests with vivid contrasting colors including blue, green, orange and red. The traditional front desk has been replaced by welcome pedestals to create more personal interactions when guests check in. This will allow staff to move about to show guests

the lobby features and provide assistance. Flexible seating options include a communal table in the middle of the action, private media booths with high-definition televisions and a more intimate, semi-enclosed lounge area.

A signature element of the new lobby at the hotel near Fort Lauderdale is the exclusive GoBoard, a 52-inch LCD touch screen packed with local information, maps, weather, and news, business and sports headlines. Guests can navigate using the touch screen to find restaurants, local attractions and directions to places including Cleveland Clinic Weston, Nova Southeastern University and BB&T Center.

Guests can connect to free Wi-Fi and will find ample electrical outlets throughout the lobby to power digital devices. The enlarged business library at the Weston, Florida, hotel features several computers along with a printer dedicated to printing airline boarding passes and checking flight statuses.

Dining at the Courtyard Fort Lauderdale Weston has been completely redesigned with The Bistro – Eat. Drink. Connect., providing casual, flexible seating. The restaurant offers easier access to food and higher quality, healthier menu options for breakfast. Light evening fare, including snacks, wine and beer, can help a guest unwind after dark. The Market, a 24/7 shop for snacks, beverages and sundries, is always open for latenight cravings or the toothpaste guests may have forgotten to pack.

Green has been Courtyard's signature color since Marriott launched the brand 25 years ago. Now it is even greener with the introduction of a guest recycling program for the environment. Receptacles for paper, glass, plastic and metal will be conveniently located by side exits of the hotel near Fort Lauderdale.

About Courtyard by Marriott

Courtyard by Marriott offers a refreshing environment that helps guests stay connected, productive and balanced. Intuitive services and design accommodate guests' needs for choice and control. With more than 860 locations in 30 countries, Courtyard is Marriott's largest brand. All Courtyard by Marriott hotels participate in the award-winning Marriott Rewards frequent travel program that allows members to earn hotel points or airline miles for every dollar spent during each stay. For reservations, go to www.courtyard.com or contact a travel professional.

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