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# PERKINS EASTMAN CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING OF MONTECEDRO, NEW LUXURY SENIOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN ALTADENA, CA

## Life Plan Community is First of Its Kind for LA County in More Than 20 Years

New York, NY (February 4, 2016) Later today team members from Perkins Eastman's renowned Senior Living design studio will join Episcopal Communities & Services (ECS) for the grand opening of <a href="MonteCedro">MonteCedro</a>, the new luxury Life Plan Community situated on an idyllic eight-acre site in the foothills of Altadena, CA. Perkins Eastman provided design and planning services for the new community, comprising 186 apartments, 20 Assisted Living and Memory Support residences, and coordinated in-home care, as well as a host of common activity spaces and landscaped courtyards that take full advantage of the surrounding views. <a href="Thecommunity">The community</a> is the first of its kind to be built in Los Angeles County in over 20 years.

Pasadena-based ECS offers Southern California residents a continuum of care and services through the organization's three distinct communities: The Canterbury, in Rancho Palos Verdes; The Covington, in Aliso Viejo; and now MonteCedro. MonteCedro's design, services and amenities embody what it means to be a "Life Plan Community," a term first introduced to the public at the 2015 LeadingAge Conference, and which has replaced "CCRC" (continuing care retirement community), a moniker used by nearly 2,000 senior living communities and facilities throughout the U.S. MonteCedro provides a continuum of care for residents of varying ages (65+), care needs, and expectations of lifestyle.

Communities such as these, which offer a range of accommodations, dining options and the like, are focused on offering seniors the flexibility to determine the right plan for the next stages of life. Amenities include but are not limited to a fitness center, fine and casual dining venues, an outdoor heated saline pool, creative arts studio, library, salon, cocktail lounge, and movie theater. MonteCedro's architectural features such as terracotta roof tiles, arcades, private balconies, wood and iron detailing, and exposed support beams all come together to evoke elements of California Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival motifs.

According to David Hoglund FAIA, Perkins Eastman Principal and the project's design lead, "MonteCedro truly represents the best of what the senior housing

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industry has to offer. This community practices a philosophy of life enrichment, which means everything from apartments with high ceilings and large windows to flexible dining options, inviting outdoor spaces, and architecture that responds to the landscape. We're quite honored to have partnered with ECS to envision and create this new life plan community."

## **About Perkins Eastman**

Perkins Eastman is among the top design and architecture firms in the world. With almost 1,000 employees in 15 locations around the globe, Perkins Eastman practices at every scale of the built environment. From niche buildings to complex projects that enrich whole communities, the firm's portfolio reflects a dedication to progressive and inventive design that enhances the quality of the human experience. With work in 46 states and more than 40 countries, the firm's portfolio includes transportation and public infrastructure, high-end residential, commercial, hotels, retail, office buildings, corporate interiors, schools, hospitals, museums, senior living, and public sector facilities. Perkins Eastman provides award-winning design through its offices in North America (New York, NY; Boston, MA; Charlotte, NC; Chicago, IL; Dallas, TX; Los Angeles, CA; Pittsburgh, PA; San Francisco, CA; Stamford, CT; Toronto, Canada; and Washington, DC); South America (Guayaquil, Ecuador); North Africa and Middle East (Dubai, UAE); and Asia (Mumbai, India, and Shanghai, China).

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