



# Bell Hotel

505 WEST BARNES STREET, ALVA, WOODS COUNTY, OKLAHOMA



The Bell Hotel was constructed in 1926 in the center of downtown Alva, Oklahoma, and is individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places (2013). The construction of the hotel is credited to Grant Buxton Construction, but the original architect of the hotel is unknown. The structure is a rectangular shape and is a six-story building with a full basement. The exterior of the building exhibits a modest example of Classical Revival Style, including the three-part vertical sections. The roof is flat with a brick-faced parapet wall and precast stone parapet cap. Ground level street facing sides retain portions of the original storefront with wood and glass entrances. The public spaces on the ground level include commercial retail sections on east and west sides. Columns in the lobby have decorative caps and bases for extra aesthetics.

For the rehabilitation, all the windows had to be completely replaced to match the original appearance of the old windows because they were too deteriorated to repair. The original flooring was replaced as well to give the interior a cleaner and more modern look to it for the new market rate apartments. The interior of the building was mostly gutted when the building was purchased by the applicant. As part of the project, the walls were rebuilt, re-establishing the historic corridors and creating apartments. The new apartment walls were built in locations of historic walls and finished to match that of the historic plaster. The historic stencil work in the lobby was restored. The retail spaces that flank the historic lobby space were also re-established and rehabilitated and remain retail spaces.

## Project Profile

**Year Built:** 1926

**Start of Rehab:** 7/1/2013

**Rehab Completion:** 11/28/2017

**Date of Certification:** 3/19/2018

**Original Use:** Hotel

**New Use:** Market Rate Housing

**Est. Total Project Cost:** \$1,800,507

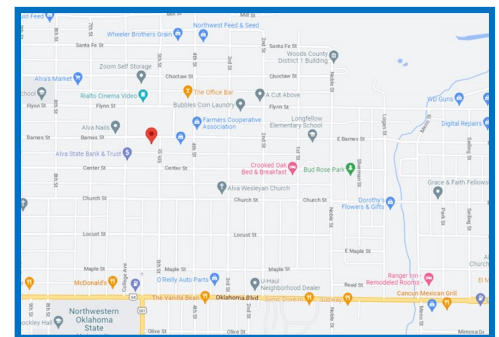
**Est. Qualified Rehab Costs:** \$1,774,549

**Est. Combined Federal/State Tax Credit (40%):** \$709,820

**Historic Preservation Consultant:**  
Preservation and Design Studio, PLLC

**Architectural Consultant:**  
Preservation and Design Studio, PLLC

**Property Owner/Developer:**  
John Ryerson; Crimson Investment Partners, LLC



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