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## Family Scholar House to open fourth facility

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Family Scholar House Inc., a Louisville nonprofit organization that provides housing and other support services for single-parent college students and their children, plans to open its fourth facility next month.

Residents will begin moving into the 48-unit Parkland Scholar House on Aug. 10. A grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the West Louisville site, 1309 Catalpa St.

The \$12.2 million Family Scholar House project includes the renovation and historic preservation of the former Maupin Elementary School in the Parkland neighborhood.

The 48 two- and three-bedroom apartments were built in the former school and in an addition that was constructed. The project's developer is Louisville-based Marian Development Group LLC. The West End Family Scholar House has a computer laboratory, program and meeting space, a community kitchen and dining room, reading areas, a fitness room, a playground, a garden and parking.

It is open to women and men who are pursuing degrees and their children.

Family Scholar House already owns three locations in Louisville: at 403 Reg Smith Circle, just west of the University of Louisville Belknap Campus; at 920 S. First St., near Spalding University; and at 2301 Bradley Ave., east of U of L.

Cathe Dykstra, the nonprofit's president and CEO, told Business First last year that the West End site, though not in close proximity to a college or university, is "a really good location for us"

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