

W-Suites Apartments

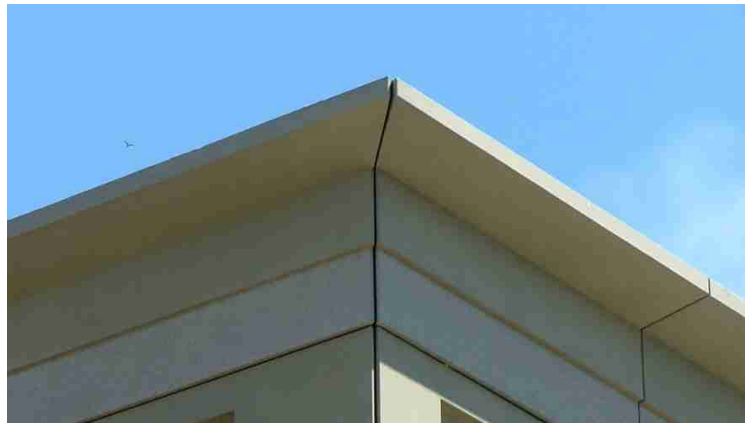
Halifax, Nova Scotia



Architectural precast panels were used as the cladding for this 7-story apartment and commercial building located in the heart of downtown Halifax. These quality-built apartments and commercial spaces are bringing a lot of new businesses and tenants to downtown Halifax and with the latest in modern design along with the ability to blend with the rest of the neighborhood; this new building is a great addition to the dynamic city.

The architect chose to use a “green” design for the building. Low-E argon glass, an efficient HVAC system and recycling facilities are just some of the many elements that allow the building to achieve its “green” status. Architectural precast panels had a large part in achieving this green building because the use of concrete as a cladding system along with proper insulation allows for a high R-value. Concrete also doesn’t break down as fast as other materials and allows for a higher level of soundproofing.

Using a buff colour and a medium sandblast, the building has the appearance of natural sandstone. Cornice panels were used on the top floor of the building to cap it off for a clean finished look. This along with the large area of glass used at the front of the building gets your attention and makes you appreciate the pleasing aesthetic design. Altogether 227-6” Solid panels and 14-6” Cornice panels were produced and used on the building.



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