The 180,000-square-foot, “international style” Commerce Building was originally built in 1955. With a $30 million redevelopment budget, the eight story project now features 93 apartment units and 6,500 square feet of ground floor retail space. Units range in size from 603 to 1500 square feet and the loft-style designs feature from one to three bedrooms.

Building amenities include a 5,000 square-foot rooftop restaurant. Features also include a rooftop workout facility and pool, on-site parking and a private business center. A popular, ground-floor café opened in October 2016.

Located in the heart of downtown Baton Rouge, the Commerce Building is not only a popular place to live, its restaurants are a destination for those working in the area.

The redevelopment of the Commerce Building began in 2013 with hazardous environmental site assessments and remediation planning done through an EPA Assessment Grant awarded to the City of Baton Rouge Brownfields Program.

Once remediation was complete, redevelopment of the property was financed through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development loan program and with state and federal historic building tax credits. The Commerce Building project created over 200 construction jobs and the number of employees working in the retail spaces is still growing.