



Hotel boom comes to downtown Miami

Downtown Miami is welcoming a new generation of hotels, part of a resurgence of the urban core.

Opening this spring, according to The Miami Herald, are the 126-room Langford hotel and 129-room ME Miami, of Spain's ME by Meliá brand. Next year, a 250-room futuristic Yotel hotel is set to open near the Langford, and Miami Worldcenter's massive two-tower hotel, with 1,700 rooms total, will break ground for the first phase of its construction, just a block from ME Miami.

From 2000 to 2015, the population of downtown, including Brickell, doubled from about 40,000 to 80,000, according to the Miami Downtown Development Authority. Shifting demographics and improved infrastructure primed downtown for lifestyle and boutique hotels — the kind that appeal to millennials visiting the area for work or leisure, The Herald said.

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