Orrville is a small town in Ohio, located about 30 miles from Akron. With a population of about 8,500, the town is not ideal for big branded hotels to settle down in. Orrville is home of the J.M. Smucker Company and other local businesses that bring in their fair share of visitors that need a place to stay. The closest motels and hotels are 20 minutes away in Wooster.

Enter Cobblestone Hotel & Suites, an upscale, mid-size hotel brand that broke ground on a facility in Orrville in June, it's the very first to be located in Ohio.

Cobblestone Hotel & Suites is no stranger to the Midwest having already opened about 60 hotels in the region. This exciting new addition to Ohio will bring "Big City Quality" while keeping "Small Town Values" and designs to offer the same amenities that travelers would expect when staying in bigbrand hotels to meet the needs of small towns that are not near major highways. The average room size is 40 rooms and the hotels offer each guest well-appointed public spaces and guestrooms with attentive friendly service from their hotel teams. Guests are offered free high-speed Internet, complementary hot breakfast, convenience stores, fitness centers, business centers and on-site beer and wine bars.

The company takes pride in the fact they are a family run business and that doing things the right way is "part of their DNA." Orrville's community response has been nothing but positive, everyone is ready to welcome the new brand to their town.

"Business wise I think it will be great for companies to be able to set visitors up in a very nice facility, only minutes away. It should be a great positive for our local industries," said Orrville Mayor, Dave Handwerk. Not only will this be a positive for local business but also leisure visitors to Orrville for weddings, family reunions, the newly added Heartland Trail and other events that Orrville has to offer throughout the year.

Other local industries are eager to embrace the anticipated addition to their small town. The President and CEO of the Aultman Orrville Hospital, Marchelle Suppan, explains that Cobblestone Hotel & Suites will provide a convenient location for hospital recruits and short term staffing assignees. Suppan not only hopes to be able to utilize the hotel for meetings but she also stated that she hopes to sponsor hospital related events there.

Orrville isn't the first city to have their hotel needs met by Cobblestone. Salem, Indiana welcomed the first Cobblestone Hotel & Suites in the fall of 2014. Salem is an hour from Louisville, Kentucky, with a population of about 6,300 and had the same need that Orrville did – a convenient quality hotel.

Consistent with its values and quality of service, Cobblestone prides itself in hiring locally. They will be looking for about 20 people from Orrville or around the immediate Orrville area to operate their brand new 54-room hotel. The City of Orrville is excited to see the positive changes that Cobblestone Hotels will bring to their area. The hotel is slated to open March 2017.