



YES! For Lexington

On DECEMBER 4th, Lexington will vote on three important projects
Maria Hastings Elementary School • Lexington Children's Place (Pre-K) • Fire Station Headquarters
Investing in these projects will improve schools and public safety for all of Lexington.

Fire Station Headquarters



Existing Building

- » Built in 1946 and designed for a town with 14,500 residents calling for 650 responses/year.
- » Today, Lexington has 32,000 residents calling for 3,600 responses/year (over five times the original demand).
- » Floor was engineered for smaller and lighter equipment, it cannot hold the weight of modern apparatus.
- » Crew quarters are inefficient and do not meet current fire safety standards.
- » Inadequate space for Administration, Fire Prevention Office, training, equipment decontamination and cleaning.

New Building

- » More than double the square footage of existing station—25,134 sq. ft. versus 11,841 sq. ft.
- » All equipment housed inside.
- » Vastly improved training and fitness facilities—both indoor and outdoor—to support our first responders.
- » Appropriate spaces for Administration, Fire Prevention Office, and crew quarters.
- » Temporary Fire Station needed during construction.
- » Sustainability: large roof-top solar array, energy-efficient systems and building materials.
- » Total cost: \$22 million.



Problems With Existing Building

- » Building is "obsolete and dysfunctional" according to 2012 Fire Department Staffing Study.
- » Apparatus floor is structurally failing. Structural cribbing has been added as a stopgap (see picture at left).
- » Size of modern equipment far exceeds 1946 design, making parking and storage a daily struggle.
- » Basement leaks and floods.
- » Fire Prevention Office housed in a trailer in parking lot.
- » Fitness training equipment is set up in apparatus bays next to (often contaminated) turn-out gear.
- » Some fire-fighting equipment must be stored outside due to lack of space.



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