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Renton Regional Fire Authority Breaks Ground on the New Fire Station 16

RENTON, WA, October 21, 2025 — Renton Regional Fire Authority (Renton RFA) has officially broken ground on the new Fire Station 16, marking the start of construction on a modern facility that will serve the growing Renton Highlands, and surrounding communities, for decades to come.

The ceremony was attended by Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone, members of the Renton RFA Governance Board, commissioners from King County Fire District 25 and King County Fire District 40, and representatives from Lydig Construction, the firm leading the project.

Set for completion in Winter 2027, the new Fire Station 16 will replace the existing station located just a few blocks away. The facility is being designed as a state-of-the-art, 50-year station that reflects Renton RFA's continued commitment to providing responsive and effective emergency services.

In addition to modern living and working spaces for firefighters, the new station will include an on-site apparatus maintenance shop. This feature will allow for timely maintenance and repair of fire engines and other essential equipment, helping crews stay ready to respond.

"This station isn't just a replacement—it's an investment in the future of our community and our ability to serve it well," said Fire Chief Steve Heitman. "As Renton continues to grow, this facility will grow with it."

The new Station 16 is designed with future expansion in mind, ensuring it can meet the increasing demands of the ever-expanding Renton community and increasing population. With advanced building systems and flexible infrastructure, the station will support both current needs and long-term service delivery.

Construction will continue through 2026 and into early 2027, with updates shared regularly as the project progresses.

About Renton Regional Fire Authority

Renton Regional Fire Authority serves the communities of Renton, Fire District 25, and Fire District 40. With a coverage area of 38 square miles, Renton RFA provides fire and life safety services to over 138,000 community members. The Renton RFA team abides by the guiding principles of professionalism, integrity, leadership, loyalty, accountability, and respect, and continually works to build an organization that reflects the unique diversity of the Renton community. Learn more at www.RentonRFA.com or call 425-276-9500.

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