

CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY FOR NEW \$5 MILLION FIRE STATION IN DEKALB COUNTY

Construction is underway for Fire Station No. 7, DeKalb County SPLOST's (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) first vertical project. It will replace the fire station, at 1176 Derrill Drive in Decatur, which was built in 1945 at a cost of \$13,000 to construct. The existing building has many deficiencies due to aging.

The new \$5-million two-story 15,000 square foot fire station, at 1712 Columbia Drive in Decatur, will not only accommodate male and female firefighters, but also includes in the a community meeting room and exercise facility as well as hot and cold zones with separate cleanout gear and laundry areas positioned to help alleviate cross contamination of carcinogens in sleeping and dining areas. The landscaped exterior will include sidewalks, and lighted parking lot.

Fire Station No. 7 is the first of several new fire stations funded through SPLOST and supported by CEO Michael Thurmond, and the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners. This project continues the investment of SPLOST dollars to improve DeKalb County's public safety services. For more information about DeKalb SPLOST visit www.DekalbSPLOST.com or follow the conversation on social media using hashtags #DeKalbSPLOST and #AllThingsSPLOST.