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Groundbreaking planned for new Virginia motor pool facility

St. Louis County will host a groundbreaking for a new \$1.63 million motor pool facility in Virginia. The groundbreaking will be Thursday, October 10, at 10:30 a.m. at the intersection of 4th Avenue and 2nd Street South, across from the St. Louis County Courthouse in Virginia.

Representatives from the County, City of Virginia, and union trades will be available to talk about the significance of a project this size to the local economy.

Relocating the motor pool facility downtown will improve efficiencies for St. Louis County employees in Virginia and will also create a permanent home for the St. Louis County Volunteer Rescue Squad. The new building will be constructed between the county's courthouse and Northland Office Center, where the majority of county employees work in Virginia, saving considerable time for workers who use a county vehicle as part of their job. The new location also is more convenient for sheriff's vehicles needing maintenance work.

The new building's design will include numerous energy efficient features such as a solar wall, white roof and additional insulation, all of which will help keep energy costs at a minimum.

The old motor pool is located several miles from downtown Virginia on Highway 135. Employees have had to use their own vehicle to travel to and from the building in order to use a county vehicle, a process that is unnecessarily time consuming and inefficient.

Once the motor pool is relocated, the old building will be re-used, becoming home to the Sheriff's Office Volunteer Rescue Squad, which currently has no dedicated space for vehicles and operations in the northern part of the county.

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