



NEW FIRE STATION 5

City of Ann Arbor

Ideas for collaboration between the City of Ann Arbor
and the University of Michigan for a multi-use facility for
a new north campus fire station.



University of Michigan Fire College

1959 - University of Michigan built the Civil Defense and Disaster Training Center as part of its Fire College (1946 Beal Avenue).

1967 - Ann Arbor FD Station 5 was opened, co-located at this location.

1992 - Last residential fire school was held.



Current Status

- University of Michigan
 - Owns building and property.
 - Pays all utilities.
 - Maintains building and grounds.
 - No formal agreement or lease.
- City of Ann Arbor
 - Pays no rent or lease fees.
 - Provides apparatus, staffing, furniture, appliances, and operational costs.



Concerns

- Oldest active fire station in City of Ann Arbor.
- Never been renovated and designed for male firefighters only.
- No female shower or private changing area.
- Open bunk rooms without private sleeping areas.
- Larger than needed; increase turnout times due to travel distance.



Future

- New fire station is a 40-50 year decision; not a one-year decision.
- Opportunity to reimagine the functionality of a new facility in collaboration with University of Michigan.
- Net Zero building in alignment with A2Zero goals.
- Provide gender inclusive facility for all firefighters.



ENGAGEMENT

Next slides are ideas of how we would like to engage the University of Michigan on the future of Fire Station 5. None of these topics have been discussed with the University of Michigan. The intent is to show openness to a reimagined facility.

Collaboration Idea #1

Public Safety Complex

Combined fire station and administrative offices for the Division of Public Safety and Security leadership along with new U-M police department facility.





SOCIAL WORK

Collaboration Idea #2

Social Work

U-M School of Social Work as part of their MSW program launches a community response program (in coordination with Washtenaw County Public Health) where MSW students respond to residents having mental health issues (non-violent). The building would have dedicated space for this program.



Collaboration Idea #3

ROTC

ROTC would have dedicated space for administrative, meeting, storage, and training functions. Shared workout facilities could be realized with the fire department.



Collaboration Idea #4

EMS Club

U-M has a robust EMS club that has hinted about getting into EMS operations. Other universities have licensed ambulance programs staffed by university students. Virginia Tech has a national model for such programs.



Collaboration Idea #5

Residence Hall

ALEXANDRIA, VA -The residential community of the Station at Potomac Yard includes the 64 one-, two-, and three-bedroom units, a community meeting space, underground parking , and a garden terrace that now hosts an organic community garden. The building also includes a fire station.

This proposal could replace some of the current North Woods Housing with a building similar to this example.



THANK YOU

for your time

With City Council support discussions will begin.