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Linden Fire Station No. 3 Officially Opens



Union County Freeholders Linda Carter (4th R) and Christopher Hudak (3rd R) join Linden Mayor Richard Gerbounka, city officials and Union County Improvement Authority members in cutting the ribbon officially opening Fire Station No. 3 in Linden. The firehouse is the third such facility to come online during the past three years in Linden that are being financed through the Improvement Authority. (Photo by Jim Lowney/County of Union)

UNION COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY OPENS FIRE HOUSE #3 IN LINDEN

LINDEN—The Union County Improvement Authority and Union County officials held an opening for the new Linden Firehouse #3 on East Elizabeth Avenue. The firehouse is the third such facility to come online during the past three years in Linden that are being financed through the Improvement Authority.

“This state-of-the art Firehouse meets the needs of the firefighters and of the Linden community,” said Charlotte DeFilippo, Executive Director of the Union County Improvement Authority.”

Firehouse #3 supplements Linden’s response to any emergencies in its vast transportation and industrial base that includes the New Jersey Turnpike, municipal airport, Routes 1&9, oil, energy facilities, and rail lines. Firehouse #1 on South Wood Avenue, and Firehouse #2 on St. George’s Avenue were financed by the Union County Improvement Authority and have come online during the past three years in Linden.

Freeholder Christopher Hudak, a resident of Linden, thanked DeFilippo and the Improvement Authority for their efforts in bringing the project to fruition.

“This new facility is a tremendous asset not only for the City of Linden, but the region as a whole given its location to the nation’s most vital infrastructure,” Hudak said.

Anthony Scutari, Chairman of the Union County Improvement Authority, and also a resident of Linden, added that the Improvement Authority has developed a number of important public projects for the City of Linden.

“I am honored to be part of the Union County Improvement Authority, which has done so many wonderful things for my hometown of Linden,” said Scutari.

“We’ve worked to build the Raymond Wood Bauer Promenade on Wood Avenue, the new Linden Public Library and now, three firehouses that are making an important public safety contribution to the community,” Scutari added.

Fire Station #3 is a two-story, 13,665 Square Foot facility which includes a training room and living quarters for 10 Fire Fighters and two Officers. The facility has three vehicle bays which accommodate two fire engines and one ladder truck. In addition, Fire Station # 3 also includes a basement for storage and a material lift.

The project was financed and built through the UCIA for the City of Linden at \$3.689 million.