# Rebuild Fire Station 2



California faces a growing threat from fires. In 2020, five of the largest fires in our state's history burned at the same time. They destroyed thousands of buildings and forced hundreds of thousands of evacuations. Our firefighters are on the frontlines, called to emergencies locally and statewide. They need modern facilities and robust training to be effective first responders. For them to better prepare for and respond to emergencies, we need to rebuild the old and out-of-date Fire Station 2.

#### **Quick Facts**

Requested Funds

Total Project Cost





\$41 M

**MEETS GOALS** 

City

County State

PROJECT NEED The 2021 Fire Station Masterplan identified Station 2 as being past its useful service life

**LOCATION** 795 E. Arques Ave.

#### PROPOSED SQUARE FOOTAGE

Approx. 20,500 s.f.

## Fire Station 2 is a Countywide **Training Workhorse**

Fire Station 2 is one of only two facilities to offer numerous required training courses for firefighters countywide. This includes the 17-week Joint Fire Academy. The Station also hosts emergency preparedness training for community volunteers and annual in-service training for Sunnyvale's public safety officers. Rebuilding the Station would allow us to meet the high local and regional training demand in a modern sustainable facility.

## Why Rebuild?

- Living conditions lack modern health and safety features for fire personnel
- Aging, energy inefficient facility is costly to maintain
- Cramped and dated trailers used for classrooms
- Not enough restrooms; must rent portable toilets for training classes
- Inadequate equipment storage





people trained annually



age of Station 2

## This Project Will:

- Improve emergency response services to East-Central Sunnyvale
- Meet higher training demand in response to intensifying fire seasons throughout the state
- Improve interoperability among jurisdictions by expanding capacity for regional training
- Increase emergency preparedness by training more community volunteers
- Ensure living and working conditions meet modern health and safety standards
- Achieve sustainability goals with all-electric green building design

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March 19, 2025

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The Honorable Ro Khanna
United States House of Representatives
306 Cannon House Office Building
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**Larry Klein** Mayor

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Murali Srinivasan Councilmember

Charlsie Chang Councilmember

**Eileen Le** Councilmember RE: Request for Support for FY26 Community Project Funding, City of Sunnyvale– Rebuild Fire Station 2

Dear Senator Padilla, Senator Schiff, and Representative Khanna,

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, I am writing to express my support for the City of Sunnyvale's Rebuild Fire Station 2 Project.

This project will rebuild the old and out-of-date Fire Station 2 located at 795 E. Arques Ave. In addition to serving our community, Fire Station 2 is a countywide training workhorse. It serves as a regional fire academy training facility for Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety and fire departments throughout Santa Clara County. If funded, this project will improve emergency response services to East Central Sunnyvale, meet higher training demand, improve interoperability among jurisdictions, and increase emergency preparedness.

I am pleased to support this project and urge you to provide favorable consideration of this funding request.

Sincerely,

Larry Klein

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Mayor

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The Honorable Alex Padilla, Senator
The Honorable Adam Schiff, Senator
The Honorable Ro Khanna, Representative
March 19, 2025

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March 26, 2025

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306 Cannon House Office Building
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# RE: Request for Support for FY 2026 – Community Project Funding – City of Sunnyvale – Rebuild Fire Station 2

Dear Honorable Members of Congress:

I am pleased to support the City of Sunnyvale's request for rebuild of Fire Station 2 located at 795 East Arques Avenue.

Fire Station 2 is nearly 60 years old and has quickly outgrown its original footprint and is well past due its expected useful service life. The station currently does not have enough restrooms or equipment storage. The facilities also lack features that are standard in most modern stations, leading to higher utility costs and inadequate living conditions.

The station serves as a vital training center, serving more than 400 people annually. It is one of only two facilities that offers required training for firefighters in Santa Clara County, a county home to more than 4 million people. With wildfires becoming more and more prevalent, it is critical that we continue to invest in facilities that support training our first responders. In addition, Fire Station 2 hosts emergency preparedness training for volunteers and city public safety officers.

Rebuilding the station will improve emergency response in east-central Sunnyvale, accommodate greater utilization by public safety personnel, and enhance regional training capacity. It will also help the City achieve its sustainability goals for green building design and construction.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my Chief of Staff, Wendy Ho at (408) 299-5030 or via email at <a href="www.wendy.ho@bos.sccgov.org">wendy.ho@bos.sccgov.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Otto O. Lee

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APPROPRIATIONS

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### SENATOR AISHA WAHAB, MBA

TENTH SENATE DISTRICT

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER
CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
CHAIR, BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NO. 5



March 11, 2024

The Honorable Ro Khanna 306 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

# SUBJECT: FY 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Request from the City of Sunnyvale – Rebuild Fire Station 2

Dear Representative Khanna:

I am pleased to support the City of Sunnyvale's request for rebuild of Fire Station 2 located at 795 East Arques Avenue.

Fire Station 2 is nearly 60 years old and has quickly outgrown its original footprint and is well past due its expected useful service life. The station currently does not have enough restrooms or equipment storage. The facilities also lack features that are standard in most modern stations, leading to higher utility costs and inadequate living conditions.

The station serves as a vital training center, serving more than 400 people annually. It is one of only two facilities that offers required training for firefighters in Santa Clara County, which is home to more than 4 million people. With wildfires remaining a constant risk, it is critical that we continue to invest in facilities that support training our first responders. In addition, Fire Station 2 hosts emergency preparedness training for volunteers and city public safety officers.

Rebuilding the station will improve emergency response in east-central Sunnyvale, accommodate greater utilization by public safety personnel and enhance regional training capacity. It will also help the City achieve its sustainability goals for green building design and construction.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 916-651-4410 or <a href="mailto:senator.wahab@sen.ca.gov">senator.wahab@sen.ca.gov</a>

Sincerely,

Senator Aisha Wahab

California State Senate, District 10

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TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CAUCUS

March 5, 2024

Congressman Ro Khanna 306 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

RE: Congressionally Directed Spending Request – Sunnyvale Fire Station 2

Dear Congressmember Khanna,

I am writing to respectfully urge you to support the City of Sunnyvale's Community Project Funding request to rebuild Fire Station 2, located at 795 East Arques Avenue.

With California facing a growing threat of fires annually, firefighters are on the frontlines. As such, they require modern facilities and robust training. Nearly 60 years old, Fire Station 2 is old and out-of-date, negatively impacting the effectiveness of our first responders. Fire Station 2 specifically trains over 400 people annually; they are one of only two facilities to offer numerous training courses for firefighters not only for the City of Sunnyvale but countywide as well. The current living conditions of the fire station lack modern health and safety features for fire personnel, is costly to maintain due to the energy inefficiency of the facility, has a limited number of classrooms available, and currently has inadequate equipment storage.

By rebuilding Fire Station 2, the City of Sunnyvale would be able to meet higher demand in response to intensifying fire seasons throughout the State, improve interoperability among jurisdictions by expanding capacity for regional training, increase emergency preparedness by training more community volunteers, ensure living and working conditions meet modern health and safety standards, and achieve sustainability goals with green building design.

As a committed advocate for the safety of Sunnyvale residents and the County as a whole, as well as the sustainability of the community, I respectfully ask for your support to rebuild Fire Station 2 in Sunnyvale. Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at (408) 446-2810 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Evan Low

Assemblymember, 26th District – San José/Silicon Valley



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March 1, 2024

Congressman Ro Khanna, United States Congress 306 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

# RE: FY 2024 Congressionally Directed Spending Request from the City of Sunnyvale – Rebuild Fire Station 2

Dear Congressman Khanna,

The Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce is pleased to support the City of Sunnyvale's request to rebuild Fire Station 2 located at 795 East Arques Avenue.

Fire Station 2 was built in 1964 and has quickly outgrown its original footprint and is well past due its expected useful service life. The station currently does not have enough restrooms or equipment storage.

The station serves as a vital training center, serving more than 400 people annually. It is one of only two facilities that offers required training for firefighters in Santa Clara County, a county home to more than 4 million people. With wildfires becoming more and more prevalent, it is critical that we continue to invest in facilities that support training our first responders. In addition, Fire Station 2 hosts emergency preparedness training for volunteers and city public safety officers.

Rebuilding the station will improve emergency response in east-central Sunnyvale, accommodate greater utilization by public safety personnel, and enhance regional training capacity. Our firefighters are on the frontlines, called to emergencies locally and statewide. Modern facilities will allow them to better prepare and respond to the needs our community and our state.

Thank you for your consideration. Do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Regards,

#### Marie Bernard

Marie Bernard, Board Member/Treasurer Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce



February 28, 2024

The Honorable Ro Khanna 306 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

SUBJECT: FY 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Request from the City of Sunnyvale – Rebuild Fire Station 2

Dear Representative Khanna:

On behalf of the Sunnyvale Downtown Association (SDA) and our Board of Directors, we are in support of the city of Sunnyvale's request for rebuild of Fire Station 2 located at 795 East Argues Avenue.

Fire Station 2 is nearly 60 years old and has quickly outgrown its original footprint and is well past due to its expected useful service life. The station currently does not have enough restrooms or equipment storage. The facilities also lack features that are standard in most modern stations, leading to higher utility costs and inadequate living conditions.

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Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Director of Operations, Kristina Kawczynski at 408-516-7217 or Kristina@sunnyvaledowntown.com.

Sincerely,

Mike Johnson

Executive Director
Sunnyvale Downtown Association