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April 25, 2008  
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The volunteers who made the 2007 North Central Yard open houses happen.

# Thanks to the Volunteers

## ■ Public Works recognizes volunteers who helped produce the North Central Yard "Discover Recycling" Open Houses.

**PUBLIC WORKS** — On Jan. 30, Public Works recognized 55 employees from the North Central Yard who volunteered for the 2007 Bureau of Sanitation Open Houses held at the yard in the Lincoln Heights and Cypress Park area.

At the crack of dawn before 6 a.m., refuse drivers, yard mechanics and clerical staff gathered to be thanked and recognized by Board of Public Works President Cynthia M. Ruiz, Sanitation Director Enrique Zaldivar, Solid Resource South Collection Division Manager Chris Johnson, Solid Resources Manager Leo Martinez and North Central Yard Superintendent Jesse Cruz. Each volunteer was greeted and presented with a

certificate of appreciation. The employees were congratulated for their volunteer support with City's recycling and conservation efforts directly tied to achieving the 70 percent diversion rate of trash from the waste-stream by the year 2015 and the Solid Waste Integrated Resources Plan (SWIRP) or "Zero Waste" Plan. Residents and their children visiting the open houses have grown with each passing year starting with 200 in 2003 to more than 3,200 in 2007.



Fire Station 62 in Mar Vista.

# FS 62 Opens in Mar Vista

## ■ Fire Dept. opens its new facility.

Story by Brian Humphrey, Public Information Officer, LAFD

**FIRE DEPT.** — The men and women of the Fire Department welcomed Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Councilmember Bill Rosendahl, Fire Commissioners, Fire Chief Douglas Barry, City Engineer Gary Lee Moore and civic and community leaders at the public dedication and grand opening of LAFD's new Neighborhood Fire Station in Mar Vista on Jan. 5.

The new facility is at 1970 Venice Blvd. in West L.A.

Following Saturday's dedication ceremony, there was food and fun as well as a chance to tour the new station. All members of the community were welcome at this family-themed public event.

The facility it replaced was built in 1950. Built in the days preceding the Korean War to serve a then lightly populated and primarily residential six-square-mile district of ocean view homes, former Fire Station 62 was designed to house a small cadre of male firefighters and one limited-role fire apparatus.

The demands of emergency service and operational advances at the LAFD in the past half-century, made that 4,190-square-foot station and only slightly larger parcel of land inadequate for providing timely and effective response to the community's needs.

Former Fire Station 62 not only grew cramped and inefficient during its 57 years of service, but also proved deficient in meeting seismic safety, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, electrical, plumbing, Building Code, ADA and separate gender accommodation issues.

In stark contrast, new Fire Station 62 is a capable and appealing long-term asset for all who live



On hand for the grand opening of Fire Station 62 in Mar Vista were (from left): City Engineer Gary Lee Moore, Board of Public Works Commissioner Paula Daniels, Fire Chief Douglas L. Barry and Fire Commission President Genethia Hudley Hayes.

in, work and visit Mar Vista, Venice and west Los Angeles.

The new energy-efficient 16,130-square-foot facility was designed with strong community input and built with to support multi-role emergency response needs for many years to come; all while enhancing the effectiveness of a diverse and omnipotent workforce.



Fire Station 62 in Mar Vista.

# Fire Station 67 Opens



The new Fire Station 67 at Playa Vista.

## ■ Unique public/private project in Playa Vista opens in festive style.



**FIRE DEPT.** — Fire Station 67 in Playa Vista had its official opening ceremonies Saturday, Feb. 16, in the new planned community that's just west of Playa del Rey and north of LAX.

The construction of the new Fire Station, which was managed by Public Works to the Fire Dept.'s specifications, was funded entirely by the parent company of the Playa Vista development. Staffing is funded by the City.

Battalion Chief Ronnie Villanueva was the host. Area Councilman Bill Rosendahl presented a City Proclamation. Councilman Tom LaBonge and John Reamer Jr., Director of Contract Administration, gave speeches.