



Media Advisory

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NEW FIRE STATION 19 RIBBON CUTTING AND TRADITIONAL PUSH-IN CEREMONY

FORT PIERCE, FL – The St. Lucie County Fire District will officially open Fire Station 19, located at 7570 Pruitt Research Road in Fort Pierce, with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, July 15, 2026. The new station is strategically located within the county's growing northwestern commercial corridor and will begin serving residents and businesses immediately following its opening.

To mark the occasion, the Fire District will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony followed by a traditional push-in ceremony - a time-honored fire service tradition symbolizing the official placement of a new apparatus into service. The ceremony pays tribute to the early days of the fire service, when firefighters physically pushed hand-drawn apparatus into the station after returning from emergency calls.

Fire Station 19 strengthens emergency service coverage in northwestern St. Lucie County while providing improved access to Interstate 95 and Florida's Turnpike. The station will enhance the Fire District's ability to protect the area's growing commercial and industrial corridor while supporting emergency operations throughout the District.

When: Wednesday July 15, 2026
11:00 AM

Where: Fire Station 19
7570 Pruitt Research Road
Fort Pierce, FL 34945

Who:

- Fire District administration and personnel
- Fire Board Commissioners
- Community members
- Media

Additional Information: Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 8, 2026, to vechazabal@slcfd.org

"The opening of Fire Station 19 fills a critical gap in emergency coverage for St. Lucie County's northwestern commercial corridor. As our community continues to grow, this station strengthens our ability to serve residents, businesses, and visitors by expanding emergency service coverage, improving access to major transportation routes, and providing specialized resources where they are needed most." - Fire Chief Jeff Lee