Lockhart welcomes newest fire station

Lockhart Fire Rescue’s second fire station is officially open, operational and responding to calls.

Fire Station No. 2, located at 1911 Borchert Drive behind Lockhart Municipal Court, held its official grand opening on Wednesday, February 26, celebrating the occasion with an open house and a ribbon cutting co-hosted by the Lockhart Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Caldwell County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

The new station, which has access to Texas State Highway 142 (San Antonio Street) and is located near the Texas State Highway 130 toll road helps the city prepare to meet the needs of its growing population. The new station is approximately 2,600 square feet and houses fire administration, up to four fire fighters and three fire-fighting apparatus.

Fire Station No. 1, located at 201 W. Market Street, has been in service since it opened in 1914. The historic building remains in service and will eventually undergo renovations.

“We are able to respond to calls from either location,” said Lockhart Fire Rescue Chief Randy Jenkins. “Our new fire station prepares us to better protect our residents in the city’s growing western portion while also giving us the space to accommodate current and future firefighters.

“Our goal is to respond to 90% of emergency calls within 5 minutes and 30 seconds. Fire Station No. 2 will help us to meet this goal as the city grows.”

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Mayor Lew White, center, does the honors on a ceremonial hose uncoupling with Assistant Fire Chief Ryan Bergerson, left, and Fire Chief Randy Jenkins holding up either end as those in attendance at Fire Station No. 2’s grand opening cheer him on. A hose uncoupling ceremony is traditionally done to commemorate a new fire station.
Fire Station No. 2 is located at 1911 Borchert Drive. The fire station has access points to both State Highway 142 (San Antonio Street) and Borchert Drive.