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Runyon Springs community planned around new police station in South Dallas

Dallas, Texas-(November 2006 reported by the *Dallas Morning News*)– The Dallas Police Department is planning to make a bigger dent in crime in the city's southern section with a new south central police patrol division that will be housed in a state-of-the-art division headquarters.

Dan Eddy thinks that's great news.

"For us it means we're going to have just more police representation in the southern sector, and we've been told that this should result in a dramatic reduction in response time for calls," said Mr. Eddy, chairman of the Oak Cliff Chamber of Commerce.

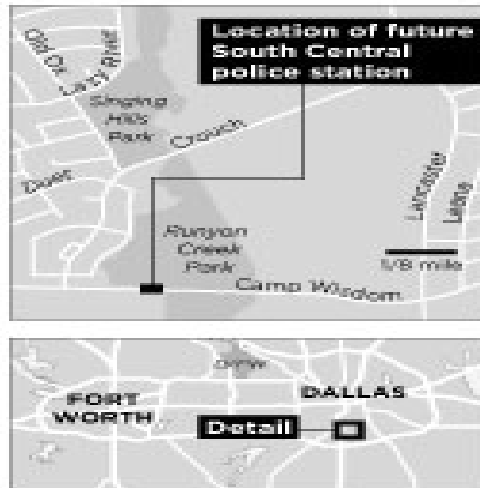


The official groundbreaking was Nov. 13 for Dallas' south central police station, shown in an artist's rendering.

Mr. Eddy also is director of community development at the University of North Texas, whose southern Dallas campus is a neighbor of the new station. Police officials said the new station would help relieve the workload from the southwest and southeast stations, the two patrol divisions that serve southern Dallas.

"This has been done in order to make the areas covered by the divisions in the south part of the city smaller," Police Chief David Kunkle said, adding that the two current divisions in the south handle more than 40 percent of the department's workload.

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"This is very exciting because it is going to help us build better partnerships with the community," Chief Golbeck said. He mentioned that in addition to being a new and modern police station, the new building would be the first patrol division to have a community room for use by area residents. It will have a capacity of about 80 people and will include a kitchen.

Local residents, groups and churches were welcomed out to attend the November 13th groundbreaking ceremony. Centurion's latest community in South Dallas, **Runyon Springs**, plans to develop **111 acres-164 single family lots** located at Camp Wisdom and Houston School Road.

Runyon Springs will feature local and regional builders who will offer homes starting around the \$140's. "The South Central Police Station will add additional value and safety to our latest development in South Dallas", said Mehrdad Moayedi, President of Centurion American Development Group.

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