

## Richmond, Virginia

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## **Emergency Traffic Signal Installed on Williamsburg Road at Richmond Fire Station 8**

~Signal temporarily flashing red and yellow~

**RICHMOND, Va.** – A new emergency traffic signal has been installed on Williamsburg Road near Union Street in front of Richmond Fire Station 8. The new signal will improve the safety of firefighters entering and leaving the station along with the safety of residents, motorists and bicyclists. The signal will be energized on Monday, June 24 and temporarily placed in flash mode.

The temporary flashing gives motorists an opportunity to adjust to the new signal ahead of it being set to function as a fully signalized emergency traffic signal on Monday, July 1. Firefighter crews dispatched to an emergency can activate the signal by pushing a button located inside the station. The traffic signal will change to red for oncoming cars and green for the fire trucks, allowing them to safely exit the fire station garage.

There are several other emergency traffic signals placed near fire stations throughout the city.

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