



MTA will transform former golf pro shop in Chatsworth into the San Fernando Valley Service Sector office building.

Former Chatsworth Golf Shop to Serve as San Fernando Valley Service Sector Office

(Jan. 8, 2002) It formerly served as the golf pro shop of a Chatsworth driving range but, between now and July 1, the MTA will renovate the building for use as offices for the San Fernando Valley Service Sector.

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The one-story, 6,000-square-foot building stands on some eight acres of MTA-owned property at the intersection of Topanga Canyon Boulevard and Marilla Street – less than a mile northwest of Chatsworth Division 8.

In a meeting with Chatsworth Division employees, Jan. 4, Deputy CEO John Catoe said the offices will house the sector general manager and administrative staff. Human Resources recruiting, service planning and scheduling personnel, customer relations, public affairs and security employees also will be located there.

The land, originally railroad property, includes a large parking lot consisting of 150 spaces and, behind the building, a fenced area once intended for a driving range. Across the street from a Radisson hotel, the building is within easy walking distance of restaurants and shopping. An entrance to the I-118 freeway is about two miles north of the site.

"This is a wonderful find for the new service sector," says Deputy Executive Officer Denise Longley, whose department will be responsible for retrofitting the building as service sector offices. "I think it's in very good shape."

Facilities Maintenance has maintained the building since the pro shop closed 18 months ago. Inside are several offices and a central open space where merchandise once was displayed. Carpets are in good shape, but need cleaning, and utilities must be re-established .

Other improvements needed to convert the building to service sector offices include installation of employee cubicles, and connections to the MTA's computer networks.

Putting to use a building the MTA already owns "will save us a lot of time," says Longley. "We don't have to worry about obtaining new lease agreements."

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