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Historic NoHo Train Depot Will Become A Groundwork Coffee Shop

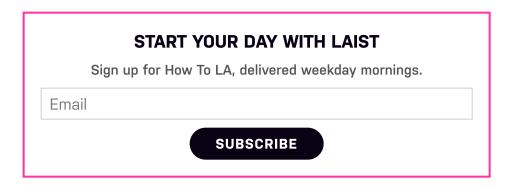
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The depot in 1952 (Photo via the Metro Library Flickr Archive)

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Groundwork Coffee has plans to open a new shop inside a historic

train depot in North Hollywood.

Groundwork Coffee has been expanding all over Los Angeles, with a recent shop in Larchmont Village and outposts in downtown Los Angeles, Venice, Hollywood, Santa Monica. Now, Groundwork has plans to move into a train depot in North Hollywood that's over a century old, according to Eater LA. The shop should be serving up lattes and more by April. The depot is located near Lankershim and Chandler boulevards, and is a protected historical monument. It opened in the 1890s and served Toluca, which was later called Lankershim, then North Hollywood, according to North Hollywood–Toluca Lake Patch.

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority has owned the depot since the 1990s, and the agency announced plans to restore it in 2000. The first phase <u>began in March of 2012</u>, and included asbestos removal. What exactly the depot would become was up in the air for over a decade. A restaurant and a sheriff's station were both considered, <u>according to Patch</u>.

Last year, more work was done on the station. According to L.A. County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky via a release, it was "seismically upgraded, fully repaired and revitalized to its original luster with an authentic period paint scheme," KPCC reports.

According to <u>Metro</u>, Groundwork has signed on for a 10-year <u>lease</u>, with a possible 5-year extension.









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