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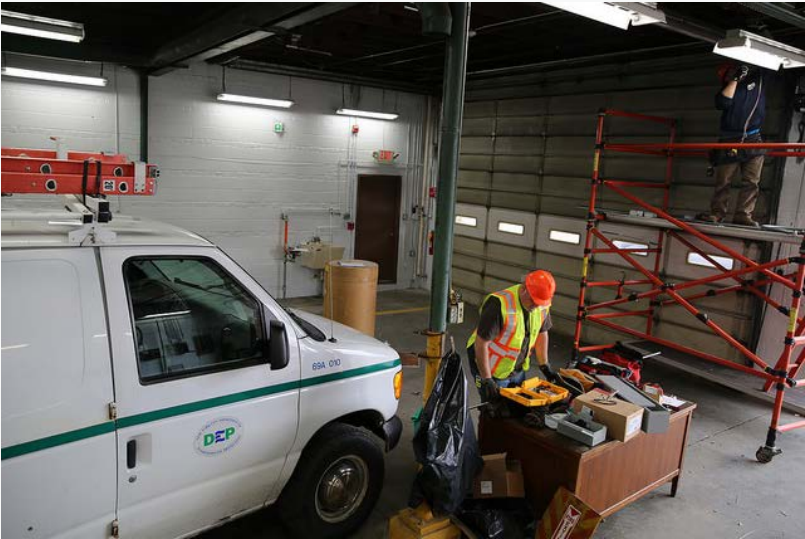
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# NYC Department of Environmental Protection Completes New Fleet Garage in Kingston



## DEP Invests More Than \$100,000 to Upgrade Garage at Former Army Reserve Center

### More Photos of the Facility, Including Before and After Remodeling, are Available on [DEP's Flickr Page](#)

The New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on Tuesday celebrated the opening of its new fleet maintenance garage in the City of Kingston. DEP invested more than \$100,000 in the garage on Flatbush Avenue, which will be used to maintain more than five dozen vehicles that are driven by employees who operate, maintain and protect the City's water supply. The two-bay garage was completely remodeled as a modern repair shop by DEP employees, including electricians, carpenters and mechanics. DEP Acting Commissioner Vincent Sapienza joined the workers who remodeled the garage for a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday morning. The garage had been part of the U.S. Army Reserve Center, which used it mostly for storage. DEP assumed ownership of the former reserve center in 2015. Its main building is now home to the Staff Sgt. Robert H. Dietz DEP Police Academy.

DEP manages New York City's water supply, providing more than 1 billion gallons of high-quality water each day to more than 9.5 million New Yorkers. This includes more than 70 upstate communities and institutions in Ulster, Orange, Putnam and Westchester counties who consume an average of 110 million total gallons of drinking water daily from New York City's water supply system. This water comes from the Catskill, Delaware, and Croton watersheds that extend more than 125 miles from the City, and the system comprises 19 reservoirs, three controlled lakes, and numerous tunnels and aqueducts. DEP has nearly 6,000 employees,

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including almost 1,000 scientists, engineers, surveyors, watershed maintainers and other professionals in the watershed. In addition to its \$70 million payroll and \$166 million in annual taxes paid in upstate counties, DEP has invested more than \$1.7 billion in watershed protection programs—including partnership organizations such as the Catskill Watershed Corporation and the Watershed Agricultural Council—that support sustainable farming practices, environmentally sensitive economic development, and local economic opportunity. In addition, DEP has a robust capital program with \$20.7 billion in investments planned over the next 10 years that will create up to 3,000 construction-related jobs per year. For more information, visit [nyc.gov/dep](https://nyc.gov/dep), like us on [Facebook](#), or follow us on [Twitter](#).

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