

# CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN

MAYOR JAMAEL TITO BROWN



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## PRESS RELEASE

**Date: January 27, 2020**

**To: All Media**

**From: Mayor Jamael Tito Brown**

**RE: Temporary Immediate Closure of Station 12 – Transfer of Truck**

Effective today, January 27, 2020, for safety reasons it is necessary to temporarily close Station 12 and move the firetruck to Station 1. Chief Finley notified Mayor Brown that the structural integrity of the floor of the fire station is potentially unsound to the point of being incapable of holding up a modern fire truck. Chief Finley pointed out that, “while this matter has developed over a number of years, the recent exposure of additional rebar and the falling of additional cement from the underside of the station floor may be placing the men and women of Station 12 at serious risk.” Chief Finley noted that he “...would rather air on the side of safety.”

Consequently, in order to protect the firefighters of Station 12, it will be closed immediately for inspection and reinforcement. The temporary closure is expected to last 45-60 days. This is a temporary closure for a long-term fix that should have occurred years ago.

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**Contact: Fire Chief Barry Finley – 330-747-7403**