



POLICE & FIRE STATION

24th and Wolf Streets  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
1992 - 1995

- Client:** City of Philadelphia Department of Public Property
- Gross Floor Area:** 36,960 sf
- Structural:** O'Donnell & Naccarato
- MEP:** Arora Engineers
- Civil:** Hunt Engineering
- General Contractor:** Daniel J. Keating
- Photography:** Halkin Photography

The building is organized into two, fully independent units, sharing one party wall. Each department has its own image, albeit arrived at from a common design vocabulary. The Police Station is organized around a central public circulation space, which in turn is circled by a private, secure, second ring of circulation. The Fire Station is organized around a four bay apparatus room, with all surrounding functions directly accessible. The lounge and training room together are thought of as the social/recreational center of the Station.

The exterior of the building expresses the dual purpose of the building while respecting the immediate neighborhood. Brick facade details reflect the character and scale of adjacent rowhouses and a marble elevation faces a city park, a statement to the public mission of the structure.

*"Very simple in volume... very refined detailing that breaks down its scale..."*  
- Jury comments, Design Award, Pennsylvania Society of Architects