

World Trade Center steel coming to Charlottesville

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A 17-foot-long piece of steel from the World Trade Center will be moving to Charlottesville.

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey has approved the Charlottesville Fire Department to take a piece of steel that was recovered after the 9/11 attack. The Port Authority's 9/11 WTC Project allows artifacts to be used in memorials open to the public.

The piece of steel, which fire staff chose during a 2009 trip to New York City, weighs 4,000 pounds and has a starburst split at one end. It will be displayed in the future Fontaine Fire Station.

A city delegation will travel to New York this month to provide an escort for the steel artifact, which has been secured at the John F. Kennedy International Airport. The fire department's Facebook page, which can be found at <http://on.fb.me/hSzbns>, will track the steel's route.

The department is seeking donations to help bring the steel to Charlottesville. Donations can be sent to Attn: 9/11 Steel Memorial Project, Charlottesville Fire Department, 203 Ridge St., Charlottesville, VA 22902.