Abbeville Builds New History Museum and More

Abbeville has been the hub for many major motion pictures in the past.

But now, the city is taking a whole new turn with major housing developments and even a museum that you won’t find anywhere else in the state.

Right across from the airport in Abbeville, lies five acres of vacant land. But that’s only the case for a few more months.

Mayor Mark Piazza says that’s only the beginning of making the past, the future of Abbeville as that piece of property slowly turns into the Louisiana Military Hall of Fame and Museum.

The new project will be home to historical memorabilia from several wars and will house tanks, trucks, weapons, but most of all will honor our veterans.

Two historical planes are the first antiques in the huge project, but the Mayor says, many more developments are coming up in Abbeville.

A new twenty-six million dollar apartment complex will have 250 units making it the largest in all Vermilion Parish.

Piazza says major big city companies are seeing the fast growth and taking advantage of it.

“They see the potential, they see the growth, they see Abbeville is prospering and they’re coming in with the big guns” Pizza says.

And as the big guns make their way to the only hall of fame museum in the state, Piazza says he’s hoping the city will become a bigger tourist attraction than ever.

Like all other state museums, the new project will fall under the jurisdiction of secretary of state, Jay Dardenne. Construction should be completed in about two years.

As for the apartment complex, people can start moving in as early as this fall.

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