Dear citizens of Richmond, as neighbors of the railroad we would like to inform you that there has been an increased number of incidents involving persons throwing rocks at the passing Amtrak trains in your neighborhood. There has also been an increase of persons placing objects on the railroad tracks which the trains are striking.

Throwing any object at a passing train is dangerous to the person committing the criminal act, for the train’s engineers and the passengers on the train. It is also a criminal act and any person caught committing this crime can be charged with a FELONY.

Any objects placed on the track could potentially cause a train to derail and endangers both the passengers and the homes near the tracks. This is also a crime and any person caught committing this crime can be charged with a FELONY.

The Amtrak Police Department, Union Pacific Police Department and the Richmond Police Department are aggressively searching for the persons who are committing these crimes. If you see one of these crimes being committed please call 911.

We are asking for your help in identifying the persons committing these crimes. If you see persons committing these crimes please call the Richmond Police Department. Persons with any information about who has been committing these crimes, should contact the Amtrak Police Department at the below listed number.

We are asking parents to speak with their children about the dangers of trespassing on the railroad tracks, throwing rocks at trains and putting items on the tracks. Together we can help keep the train’s passengers, your friends, your families and our neighborhood safe. Thank you for your help with this important matter.
Amtrak Police Department
1-800-331-0008