



Hon. Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the report for the week ending May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

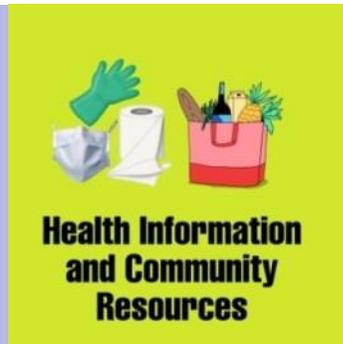


### 1. **Meeting Notes**

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Closed Session begins at 4:30 P.M., followed by the Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council at 6:30 P.M.. The agenda may be found by clicking this link: [May 18<sup>th</sup> City Council Agenda](#).

### 2. **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Updates**

The following information is an ongoing list of resources and significant updates regarding COVID-19.



### 3. **Upcoming Events**

#### **Virtual Financial Incentives Clinic for Electric Vehicles**

Think you can't afford and Electric Vehicle? Think again! Drive Clean Bay Area Event is holding a virtual Financial Incentives Clinic on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. Register at: <https://drivecleanbayarea.org/ev-financial-incentive-clinic/>.

Electric Vehicle Financial Incentives Clinics can help you decide if you can afford an EV. Learn about the many financial assistance programs available to income-qualifying consumers, including the Clean Cars for all grant, Clean Vehicle Assistance grant, and county-specific programs. Afterwards, receive one-on one consultations for help

completing your applications. Note: to income-qualify, you must make no more than 300%-400% of the Federal Poverty Level. For example, a single individual must make less than \$51,000 and a family of four must make less than \$105,000. Spanish translation will be provided.

### **Taller de Incentivos Financieros Para EVs, Virtual**

¿Crees que no te alcanza para comprar un vehículo eléctrico? ¡Piensalo otra vez! Las nuevas Clínicas de incentivos financieros para EVs profundizan en los muchos programas de asistencia financiera disponibles para los consumidores que califiquen por sus ingresos.

Las clínicas de incentivos financieros para vehículos eléctricos pueden ayudarlo a decidir si puede pagar un vehículo eléctrico. Conozca los numerosos programas de asistencia financiera disponibles para los consumidores que califican según sus ingresos, incluida la subvención Clean Cars for all, la subvención Clean Vehicle Assistance y programas específicos del condado. Luego, reciba consultas personalizadas para ayudarlo a completar sus solicitudes. Nota: para calificar por ingresos, no debe ganar más del 300% -400% del nivel federal de pobreza. Por ejemplo, una sola persona debe ganar menos de \$ 51,000 y una familia de cuatro debe ganar menos de \$ 105,000. Se proporcionará traducción al español.



### **Richmond Rent Program Community Workshop Webinar: Resolving Landlord-Tenant Disputes During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

As part of its continuing outreach to landlords and tenants who would like to learn more about rental housing rules and regulations, the City of Richmond Rent Program is offering the following workshop:

#### Community Workshop Webinar:

Friday, May 21, 2021

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Please Pre-Register: [tinyurl.com/28bw8cva](https://tinyurl.com/28bw8cva)

This Community Workshop Webinar is designed for Richmond landlords and tenants who are interested in learning more about how to handle landlord-tenant disputes in light of current ordinances and moratoriums in place due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Questions? Visit [www.richmondrent.org](http://www.richmondrent.org) to learn more about the Rent Program, or call or email the Rent Program at (510) 234-RENT (7368) or [rent@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:rent@ci.richmond.ca.us)

RICHMOND RENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY WEBINAR

## RESOLVING LANDLORD-TENANT DISPUTES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2021  
4:00 PM-6:00PM

PRE-REGISTER LINK:  
[TINYURL.COM/28BW8CVA](https://tinyurl.com/28BW8CVA)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:  
[WWW.RICHMONDRENT.ORG/WORKSHOPS](http://WWW.RICHMONDRENT.ORG/WORKSHOPS)

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US: 510.234.RENT(7368)  
EMAIL: [RENT@CI.RICHMOND.CA.US](mailto:RENT@CI.RICHMOND.CA.US)

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SEMINARIO WEB DE LA COMUNIDAD  
DEL PROGRAMA DE RENTA DE RICHMOND

## RESOLUCIÓN DE CONFLICTOS ENTRE PROPIETARIOS E INQUILINOS DURANTE LA PANDEMIA DE COVID-19

VIERNES, 21 DE MAYO DE 2021  
4:00 PM-6:00 PM

ENLACE DE PREINSCRIPCIÓN:  
[TINYURL.COM/28BW8CVA](https://tinyurl.com/28BW8CVA)

PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN  
VISITE: [WWW.RICHMONDRENT.ORG/WORKSHOPS](http://WWW.RICHMONDRENT.ORG/WORKSHOPS)

PREGUNTAS? (510) 234-RENT (7368)  
[RENT@CI.RICHMOND.CA.US](mailto:RENT@CI.RICHMOND.CA.US)

SIGUENOS EN: [f](https://www.facebook.com/RICHMOND_RENT_PROGRAM) [i](https://www.instagram.com/RICHMOND_RENT_PROGRAM) @RICHMOND\_RENT\_PROGRAM

### **Join us in celebrating our welcoming our newest class of incredible Scholars!**

You're invited to attend this year's virtual Richmond Promise Scholars Celebration on Wednesday, May 26! We hope you will join us for an inspiring evening to celebrate and honor the 400+ Richmond Promise Class of 2021 scholarship recipients. We will also be recognizing the education and civic partnerships critical to our Scholars' success and celebrating what the Richmond Promise means to the community.

The sixth class of Richmond Promise Scholars will be welcomed into the Richmond Promise family where they will join a growing number of 1300+ current Scholars representing Richmond at over 100 colleges and universities across the country!

We will hear from Richmond Promise Alumni, Scholars and community champions! Reserve your ticket today at <https://tinyurl.com/21rpceleb>



## Community Budget Meetings

Members of the community, you are invited to attend the City of Richmond’s Community Budget Meeting hosted by the Finance Department. Come learn about the city’s budget process, an overview of the City’s finances, and how the American Rescue Plan impacts our city’s finances. City staff will be available for questions, and Spanish translation will be provided.

You are invited to participate in any of the meetings listed on the flyers below. We’ll see you there!

**CUIDAD DE RICHMOND**

### Reuniones Comunitarias sobre el Presupuesto

Toda la comunidad está invitada a asistir a la reunión comunitaria del presupuesto organizada por el Departamento de Finanzas

**LAS REUNIONES SE LLEVARÁN A CABO:**  
**7 de abril de 2021 - 6:00 p.m.**  
**6 de mayo de 2021 - 4:00 p.m.**  
**3 de junio de 2021 - 6:00 p.m.**

Recibirá una descripción general sobre el proceso del presupuesto municipal, información sobre las finanzas de la ciudad, e información sobre el Plan de Rescate Estadounidense (American Rescue Plan). El personal de la Ciudad estará disponible para contestar sus preguntas.

**¡Esperamos su asistencia y sus comentarios!**

Comuníquese con nosotros para confirmar su asistencia, obtener el enlace de Zoom, hacer preguntas o solicitar interpretación en español (al menos 48 horas antes de la reunión):

✉ [community\\_budgeteci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:community_budgeteci.richmond.ca.us)  
 ☎ 510.620.6740

**CITY OF RICHMOND**

### Community Budget Meetings

HOSTED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

**JOIN US!**

**MEETINGS WILL BE HELD:**  
**April 7, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.**  
**May 6, 2021 at 4:00 P.M.**  
**June 3, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.**

You will receive an overview of the City’s budget process, information on the City’s finances, and the American Rescue Plan. City staff is also available to answers questions.

**We look forward to your attendance and input!**

RSVP to get the Zoom link, ask questions, or request Spanish interpretation (at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting):

✉ [community\\_budgeteci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:community_budgeteci.richmond.ca.us)  
 ☎ 510.620.6740

#### 4. **City Manager's Office, Economic Development**

##### **Arts and Culture Division Survey**

The Richmond City Manager's Office Economic Development, Arts and Culture Division invites you to share your opinion about the arts and culture in Richmond through filling out this Richmond Arts and Culture Survey: [bit.ly/Richmond-Art-Culture-Survey](https://bit.ly/Richmond-Art-Culture-Survey).

Your input will be shared with the Richmond Arts and Culture Commission (RACC) and the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) and will be used to inform future planning.



*American Pride and Purpose by Sargent Johnson*

##### **Public Art Opportunity - Ornamental Metal Design and/or Fabrication**

City Ventures is excited to create a paid public art opportunity in the City of Richmond. This is an opportunity for an artist to design a pedestrian trellis and decorative structure as part of a grand entry of the Cherry Blossom Row project located in the Southwest Annex Neighborhood of Richmond, CA. Artists that can design or design and build the structure will be considered. To learn more about this opportunity and to apply, please [click here](#).

#### 5. **Department of Children and Youth**

##### **Richmond Fund for Children and Youth FY 2021-24 Request for Proposals and Grant Application Now Available!**

On June 5, 2018, Richmond voters approved Measures E and K, known as the Richmond Kids First Initiative, which approved a City of Richmond Charter amendment (Article 15) to require that a portion of the General Fund be set aside to fund youth programs and services. The total projected amount available for FY 2021-2022 grant awards is approximately \$1.5 million in the initial year. Per the City Council's direction on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, staff has extended the grant application deadline. The RFCY grant application is due on Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at 2:00 P.M. To access the amended RFCY Request for Proposals and grant application, please visit the RFCY Grants webpage at [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RFCYGrants](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RFCYGrants).

To make sure you are notified of additional updates, please subscribe to our [Richmond Fund for Children and Youth E-News Sign-up](#). Should any questions arise, please contact [youth@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:youth@ci.richmond.ca.us).

**Richmond Fund for Children and Youth FY 2021-24 Grant Application Now Available!**

Extended Grant Application Deadline:  
Tuesday, June 1, 2021 | 2:00 p.m.



[www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RFCYGrants](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RFCYGrants)

## 6. **Fire**

### **Fire Crews Practice Confined Space Rescue**

This week, Fire department personnel completed the third phase of confined space refresher training. This training involved a simulated confined space rescue into a below-ground pit at the fire training center. This drill required staff from multiple disciplines, including fire rescue companies, the hazardous materials team, and support personnel to work collaboratively to complete all the major components of an effective rescue of a victim from a confined space.





## 7. Internal Services

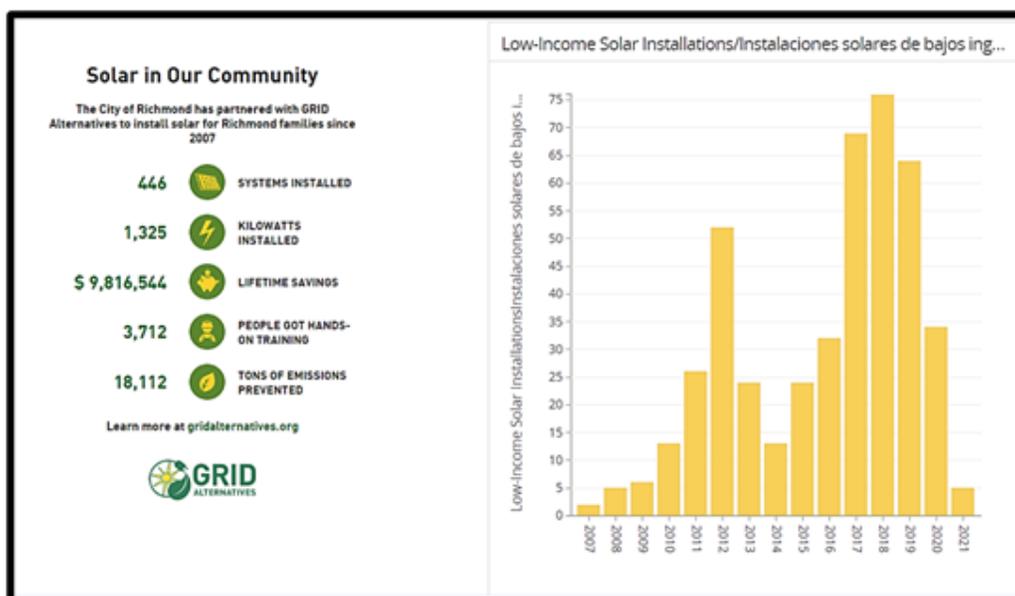
### Information Technology

#### Transparent Richmond - Highlights For The Month

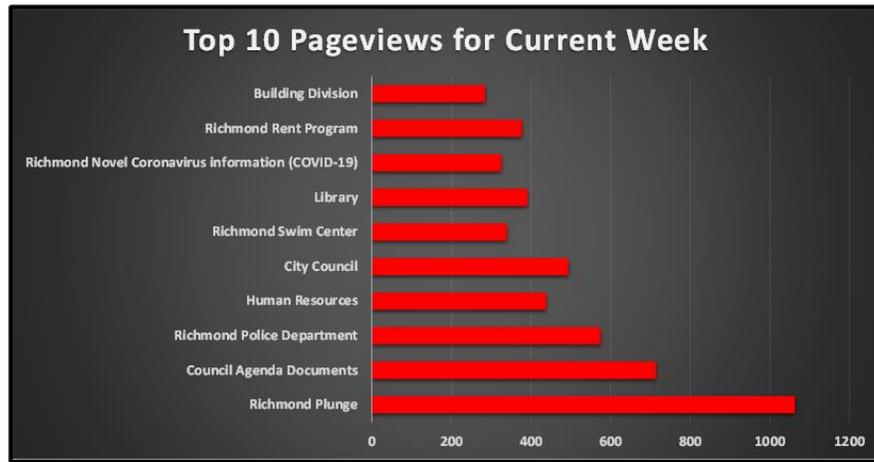
Since 2007, the City has completed 445+ low-income solar installations. The City will be hosting a workshop with GRID Alternatives in June so Richmond residents can learn about and participate in the no-cost solar program. Workshop details will be posted in the City Manager's Weekly Report and on [www.richmondenvironment.org](http://www.richmondenvironment.org).

Check out Transparent Richmond ([www.transparentrichmond.org](http://www.transparentrichmond.org))

Bonus: <https://www.transparentrichmond.org/stories/s/ibty-6ngw>



## Social Media Statistics for this Week



## KCRT Datanet For The Week

**The Richmond Main/Civic Center Library is now open to in-person services**

Richmond Public Library  
**EXPRESS**

Patrons are able to browse shelves, borrow materials, and use computers, printers, and copiers for up to 1 hour.

**Open Weekdays!**

*For hours and to learn more*  
[www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3960/Reopening](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3960/Reopening)

## KCRT TV Channel 28 - New Episodes Of Current Programming

All-new episodes of “Colour in Your Life”; “Creature Features”; “The Jet Set”; and multiple episodes of “Sidewalks Entertainment.”

You may find the full schedule at <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3176/Schedule>



## 8. **Library and Community Services**

### **Community Services (Recreation)**

#### **CSD Newsletter Sign Up**

Sign up [here](#) to receive our newsletter and stay up-to-date with all of our programming!



#### **Zumba with Oscar**

Have you heard? We have outdoor Zumba classes on Saturdays now! Join us at the tennis courts next to the Rec Complex (3230 Macdonald Ave. Richmond, CA 94804) from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. for a fun-filled power workout! Register [here](#).

**All COVID-19 guidelines will be adhered to. Online registration and payment only \$5/Session**

**OUTDOOR ZUMBA SATURDAY CLASSES WITH OSCAR AND RICHMOND'S COMMUNITY RECREATION DIVISION**  
 (AT THE TENNIS COURTS NEXT TO REC COMPLEX  
 3230 MACDONALD AVE. RICHMOND, CA 94804)

**Saturdays 9:00AM - 10AM**  
 Register at <https://apm.activecommunities.com/richmond>  
 Call for more information (510)620-6793

**Also Available Online: Zoom Classes with Oscar**  
**Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30PM-7:30PM**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> of July Fireworks Update

**CITY OF RICHMOND  
 COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

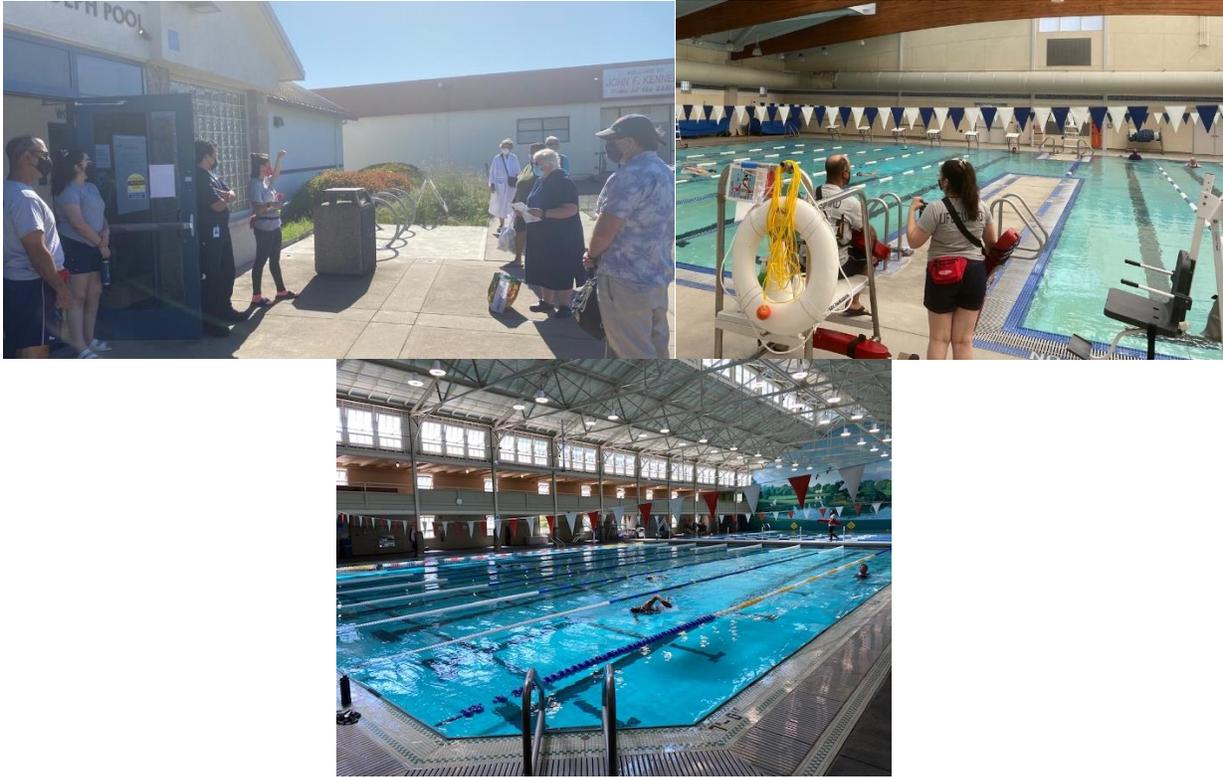
**Annual July 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks**

The City will be unable to ensure that COVID-19 protocols can be followed due to the size and nature of this event therefore,

**THIS EVENT IS CANCELLED**  
 for July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

### Pool Re-Opening for the First Week

The opening week at the lovely indoor Richmond Swim Center brought out many of our returning swimmers who were happy to return to the pool. Most were prepared for the new operations, including check-in procedure and mask-wearing until getting in the water. All swimmers must pre-register for lane time, but it's still possible to find lanes through the end of May- especially on Thursday evenings (5:00 P.M., 6:00 P.M., and 7:00 P.M. swim times). More information about what to expect and how to register can be found on the City's [Aquatics webpage](#).



### AARP Tax Preparation Update

The Richmond Senior Center completed their annual collaboration with AARP providing free tax preparation services for seniors. This six-week program provided free tax preparation for 163 seniors from March 23, 2021 through April 27, 2021. This annual collaboration was successful during the pandemic and provided a needed service to the seniors of Richmond.



### Employment and Training Division

The RichmondWORKS AJCC is open for various career services by appointment. Career Planners are available to provide weekly One-on-One Career Counseling sessions, every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday by appointment.

Call RichmondWORKS now at 510-307-8014 to make your appointment for job search and career counseling assistance:

To learn more about RichmondWORKS Career Services, please visit our website at: <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/661/RichmondWORKS>



**AJCC SERVICES AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Monday-Friday  
9:00 am-3:30 pm  
Call for more information 510-307-8014

### JOB SEARCH



- Utilize the Career Center
- Internet Job Search
- Resource Library

### EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FORMS



- Unemployment
- Disability
- Paid Family Leave

### 1-ON-1 CAREER COUNSELING



- Help with Specific Career Questions
- Development of Individual Employment Plan
- Job Training Opportunities

### WALK-IN SERVICES BY APPOINTMENT

**\*\* Due to COVID-19 Restrictions Appointments are limited \*\***

- Computer Usage
- Typing Test
- Skill Assessments



### YOUTH SERVICES



- Occupational skill training towards post-secondary credentials
- Paid and unpaid work experiences:
  - Year-Around Employment
  - Summer Employment
- Support Services
- Career Exploration

WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR/ GIVE US A CALL! 510-307-8014  
RICHMONDWORKS: 330 25TH ST, RICHMOND, CA 94804  
INFO@RICHMONDWORKS.ORG

RichmondWORKS is an equal opportunity employer/program.  
All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability or veteran status.

## RichmondWORKS Career Pathway Spotlight



Come  
Build  
With Us!

### YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS For July 2021!

- Do you need a CAREER?
- Need to finish your HS Diploma?
- Interested in College or a Career in Construction?
- 16-24 years old?
- Then call us today!

**Learn and Earn \$\$** while participating in our intensive, hands on training, community projects, and valuable industry recognized certifications: HAZ Whopper, First Aid/CPR, and OSHA 30!



**Complete School** part-time while preparing to your High School Diploma.

**Get the Support** secure your driver's license, union initiation dues and transportation needs.

**For more information please call 510-621-1780 today!**

**Start your new LIFE today!**

The US Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration awarded a grant in support of the implementation for the YouthBUILD program. This is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program.



Come  
Build  
With Us!



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## MARINE TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

Boatworks 101, an innovative apprenticeship program, trains the next generation of craftspeople in the marine industry. This is a highly selective opportunity and only a handful of applicants will be chosen.

No prior experience in the boating industry is required, only a commitment to complete the entire 15-month apprenticeship training and a desire to make this your life-long career.

### APPRENTICESHIP INFORMATION:

**Spaulding Marine Center**

**Location:** 600 Gate 5 RD, Sausalito, CA 94965

**Hours:** 40 hours/week 8:00 am- 4:00 pm

**Salary:** \$20/hr.

**Program Length:** 15 months, from August 15, 2021, to November 15, 2022

9 months of Hands-on Training

6 Months of Work Experience

### TRAINING OUTLINE

- You will learn shop safety and tool skills while also gaining familiarity with marine carpentry, structural work, propulsion, and yacht systems.
- You will learn from electricians, diesel mechanics, riggers, carpenters, composites experts, and other specialists throughout the industry.
- You will work on actual customer boats, undertake a new boat build using a blend of traditional and modern techniques and materials, and experience a wide variety of training activities.
- Receive college credits from Las Positas College

**DEADLINE:** May 15, 2021

**APPLY NOW:** <https://www.spauldingcenter.org/application-process/>



FOR MORE INFORMATION  
VISIT: [WWW.SPAULDINGCENTER.ORG](http://WWW.SPAULDINGCENTER.ORG)  
CALL: 415-332-3179

EMAIL: [EDUCATION@SPAULDINGCENTER.ORG](mailto:EDUCATION@SPAULDINGCENTER.ORG)



## Local Employment Opportunities Include

- Express Employment Professionals has Fill-Time positions for immediate hire in the Richmond, CA area. Hourly pay rate: \$16 per hr.; overtime rate: \$24hr. Available shift: Sunday – Thursday, 2:00pm-10:30pm. For more information visit their website at: [www.expresspross.com](http://www.expresspross.com); Telephone: 510-662-5100; Email: [Rosalva.Corral@ExpressPros.com](mailto:Rosalva.Corral@ExpressPros.com)
- The Gardeners' Guild have immediate openings for Full-Time gardeners reporting to their Richmond location. Hourly pay rate: \$15.25 to \$17. Per hour, depending on experience, including benefits. For more information, please email [jobs@gardenersguild.com](mailto:jobs@gardenersguild.com) or call/text 415-225-4019.
- Republic Services has entry level sorter positions available in the Richmond and El Cerrito Area. Hourly Rate: \$19. For more information: <https://republicservices.jobs>; or to apply today: <https://republicservices.jobs/ShowJob/JobId/1119768/Sorter>
- Bio-Rad is Hiring! Come join a company where what you do really makes a difference! Bio-Rad has multiple opening in their Richmond, Hercules and Santa Rosa, California locations. For complete job descriptions and to apply, please visit: [careers.bio-rad.com/jobs/search](http://careers.bio-rad.com/jobs/search)
- Homebridge is hiring Home Care Providers; they are looking for experienced family or independent caregivers that are interested in additional training and career advancement opportunities. Location: San Francisco. Full-time/Day Shifts are available. Starting Salary - \$19.25 per hour with a benefits package. For more information, please submit your resume to: <https://www.homebridgeca.org/job-openings>
- TSA Is Hiring Transportation Security Officers (TSOs) at Oakland International Airport (OAK); Part-time positions start at \$20.13 per hour. Apply today! Text "OAK" to 95495 or visit <https://hraccess.tsa.dhs.gov/hraccess/index.html> Questions? Email: [HelpDesk@mailserver-hraccess.tsa.dhs.gov](mailto:HelpDesk@mailserver-hraccess.tsa.dhs.gov)
- Opportunities at Amazon! For more information Text SFNOW8 to 77088 or visit the link [www.amazon.com/bayareahourlyjobs](http://www.amazon.com/bayareahourlyjobs)

Equal opportunity employer/programs

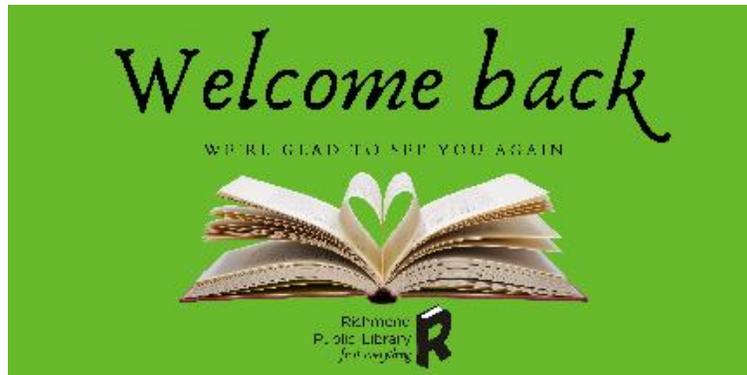
Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities

## Library Updates

### Main Library In-Person Services

The Richmond Public Library's Main/Civic Center Branch is providing *RPL Express* in-person service from 1:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays and from 3:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. on Wednesdays. *RPL Express* provides patrons with up to an hour to browse; use a computer, printers, and copiers; request books; and get reference or account help. Masks and social distancing are required; there is no seating except while using a library computer.

Contactless Tableside Service is available at the Bayview and West Side Branch libraries, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. For more information about *RPL Express* service, please go to [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3960](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3960)



### Spring Into Reading Challenge

Join the Richmond Public Library's Spring Into Reading challenge and earn badges on our *Beanstack* reading program site! Participate as an individual, family, class or group; complete and share reading progress, reviews, and activities. You can send Share Codes to invite friends to play along and see your progress. Learn how to sign up and participate at [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4100](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4100)



### Wireless Printing at Main/Civic Center Library

Submit print jobs from any device – upload to the Printing Portal or send as an email attachment, then pay at the Print Release Station during *RPL Express* hours. Learn more at [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4097](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4097)

## Wireless Printing

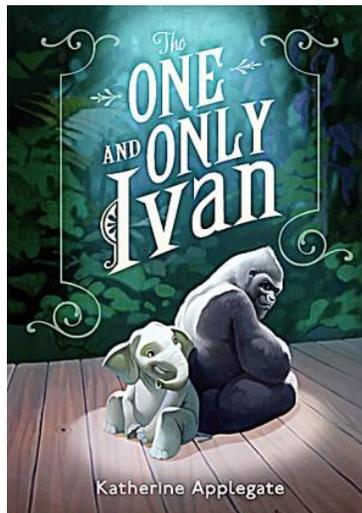
AT MAIN/CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY



### Children's Department: Read-Alouds

We had a wonderful year partnering with Community Services' Achieve and Elevate afterschool programs since the fall. On Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, students took turns reading aloud with an eBook shared on the Librarian's computer screen. Whether they were comfortable reading a lot or a little, all participated.

We hope to continue our collaboration with Achieve and Elevate in the future. In addition, we are planning for read-alouds during the summer – by Zoom or in person – with the Community Education Partnership program for unhoused youth at Hilltop Mall.



### **The Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP) reports Literacy and Numeracy Levels in Contra Costa County**

The National Center for Education Statistics surveyed 12,330 U.S. adults ages 16 to 74 living in households from 2012 to 2017 for the Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies (PIAAC), an international study involving over 35 countries. Using small area estimation models, indirect estimates of literacy and numeracy proficiency have been produced for all U.S. states and counties. In 2020, by using PIAAC survey data in conjunction with data from the American Community Survey,

reliable estimates of adult literacy and numeracy skills in all 50 states, all 3,141 counties, and the District of Columbia were provided.

Using the 2020 PIAAC Assessment of Adult Literacy and Numeracy, LEAP was able to take a data snapshot of the current levels in literacy and numeracy in our county. What we've learned so far is that more than half of adults in Contra Costa County are at a proficient level in literacy but are less than proficient in numeracy.

LEAP will be comparing statistical information about the county, state, and nation to address the challenges that adult learners face specific to our city's needs. With the help of partnering organizations, LEAP expects to provide a full report of data analysis and compilation in the summer of 2021. For more information about adult education statistical data, please visit these links:

U.S. Skills Map: <https://nces.ed.gov/surveys/piaac/skillsmap/>

U.S. Skills Map videos: <http://piaacgateway.com/videos>

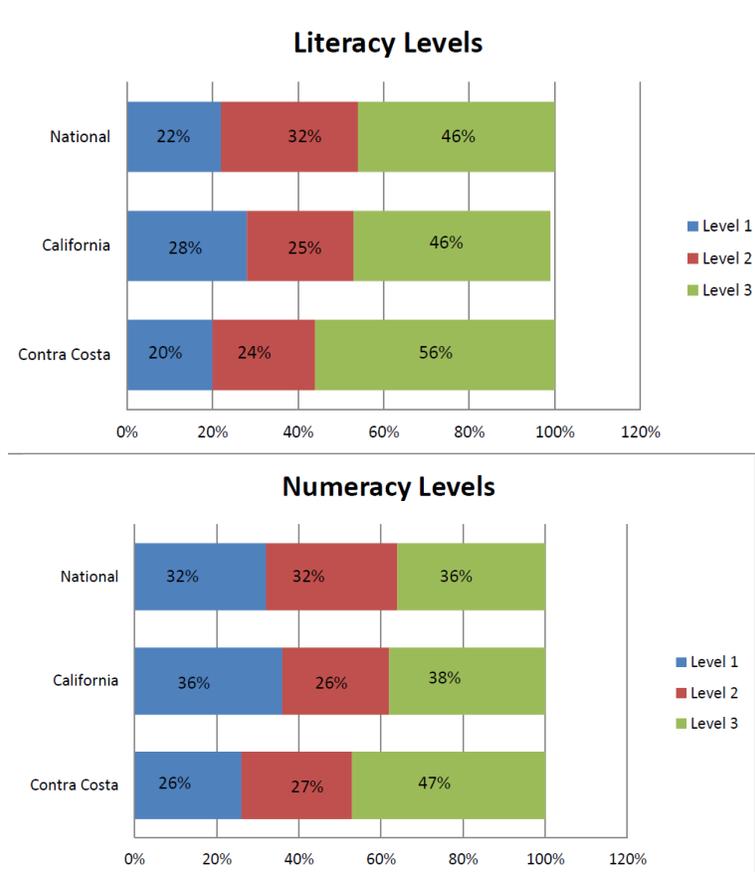
How to find the State Reports: <https://bit.ly/2K2qLff>

Literacy Gap Map: <http://map.barbarabush.org/>

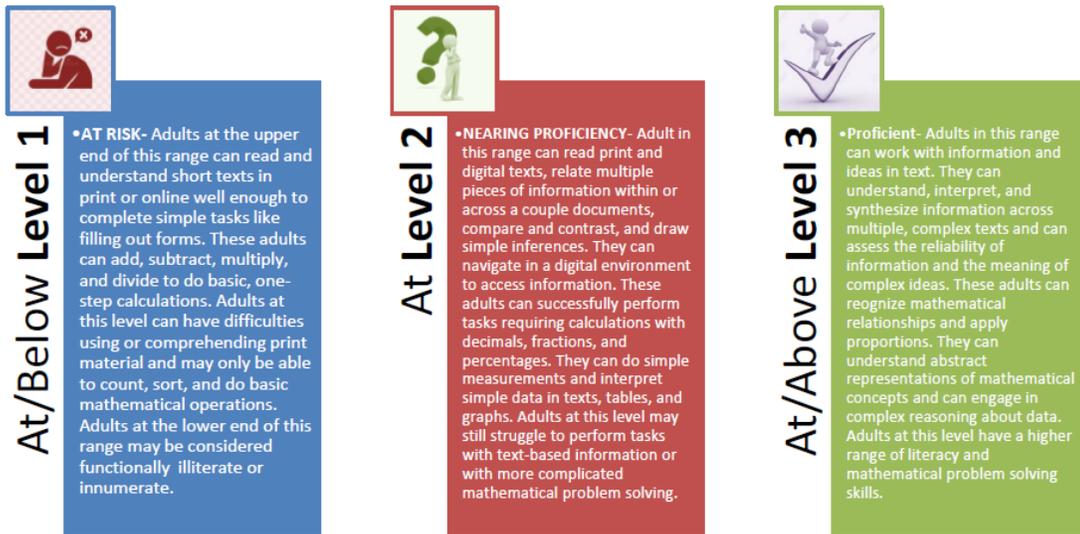
County Health Rankings: <https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/>

## Literacy and Numeracy in Contra Costa County

### Data Snapshot: How does Contra Costa County Compare?



*Note: Percentages may not total to 100% due to rounding.*



*Source: U.S. PIAAC Skills Map, estimates rely on data from 2012, 2014, and 2017*

## Transportation

City of Richmond employee and resident Jonny Hill shares reasons why you should consider owning an electric vehicle. Click on or go to the video links below to learn more.

Short version: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/538809461>

Long version: <https://player.vimeo.com/video/536435764>



## Free Ferry Rides on the Richmond Route!

### Free Rides on San Francisco Bay Ferry's Richmond Route!



Have you been wanting to try the San Francisco Bay Ferry's Richmond Route to commute to work? We're **offering 6 trips (3 round trips) free** to those who qualify! Recipients will receive the tickets from the Water Emergency Transit Agency (WETA) through the Hopthru app, which can be downloaded in the [iOS](#) and [Android](#) stores

To qualify you must live or work in Contra Costa, be 18 or older, and currently drive to work.

To apply visit:

**511cc.org/ferry**

Find information on and schedules for the Richmond-San Francisco ferry route at

<https://sanfranciscobayferry.com/Richmond-ferry-route>



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## 9. **Public Works**

### Abatement

Abatement crews continued weed abatement along the Richmond Parkway, completed abatement of the Hacienda property, removed illegally dumped debris from multiple locations and removed graffiti from various sites.





*Richmond Parkway Weed Abatement*





*Hacienda Development*



*Illegal Dumping & Graffiti Abatement*

## **Engineering**

### **Richmond Wellness Trail Project**

Construction for the week of May 17<sup>th</sup> will have the contractor tentatively start work on the storm drains along Marina Way South from Maine Avenue to Cutting Boulevard. Traffic along this segment will be reduced to one lane in each direction without parking. Please make sure to follow parking signs! The contractor also anticipates marking street trees that will be removed because they conflict with the new improvements. Groundwork Richmond, a local nonprofit that provides workforce training to youth, will be planting 113 new trees as part of this project in the Fall.

If you have any questions please contact:

Trudy Garber, Trust for Public Land, at (415) 800-5274

Manil Bajracharya, Construction Manager at (510) 595-3022

Marty Murphy, Project Manager, Ghilotti Bros., Inc. at (415) 760-0592

### Castro Ranch Road Project

This week the construction contractor, Ghilotti Bros., Inc., continued the work of placing the 14 new sidewalks and curb ramps. They completed the work of lowering the utility boxes and manholes to below the roadway grade so they would be clear of pavement recycling grinders that are planned in a couple weeks. There are many locations throughout the project where the roadway has settled and/or shows extensive cracking. These are signs that the base material below the roadway is failing and needs to be repaired. The contractor, Design Engineer and Construction Manager, walked the project and identified the locations that need to have base repair using pink paint. The Contractor began excavating those base repair areas to a depth of 8". Each of those areas are being filled with compacted asphalt concrete. The work of repairing the base material is expected to last through the week. The traveling public should expect minor delays during this time.

Citizens with additional questions or concerns can utilize the information below with those requests:

Brandon Bell, Ghilotti Bros. Superintendent – (415) 760-0891

Jason Miniello, Ghilotti Bros. Project Manager – (415) 710-1743

Scott Buckley, Ghirardelli Assoc. Construction Manager – (925) 989-3806



*Curb Ramp Replacement*

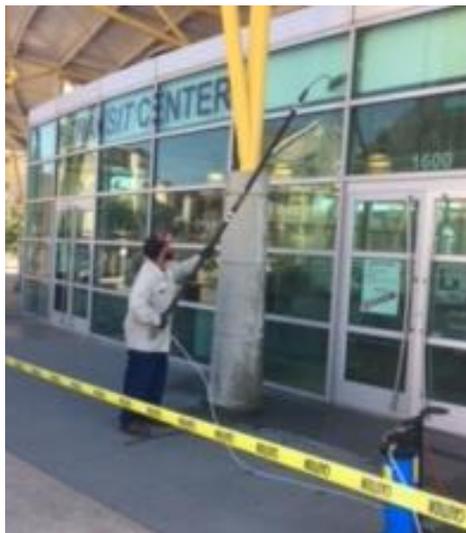
## **Facilities Maintenance**

Stationary Engineers performed daily pool maintenance and Civic Center Plaza boiler inspections, replaced the water tower sump pump on the air conditioner unit on the 450 Civic Center Plaza roof, installed a new microwave in the mechanics break room at the Corporation Yard, inspected apparatus door #5 at Fire Station #64, replaced a wax ring for a toilet at Fire Station #67 and replaced the filters and fan belts on the air conditioning units at the Senior Center.



*Sump Pump Replacement*

Utility workers cleaned the Main Library courtyard, removed boxes from the Planning Department, replaced bulbs in the Employment and Training building, cleaned windows and the Transit Center, assisted the Housing Authority with maintenance, sanitized common areas and cleaned 29 City-owned facilities.



*Window Cleaning Transit Center*

## **Parks and Landscaping**

General fund crews mowed parks in the south side of Richmond, removed debris from central area parks and right of ways, irrigation repairs along the Greenway and right of ways, performed weed abatement at multiple parks, mowed turf in various locations, performed maintenance along Berk Avenue, weeded at community center parking lots, repaired irrigation at the Bay View Fire Station, median maintenance along Carlson Boulevard, weeded and mowed at the Huntington Senior Center, performed maintenance at the Harbor Way Garden, repaired irrigation at Civic Center Plaza, repaired fencing along the Greenway and weeded various areas of the May Valley Neighborhood.



*Irrigation Repair  
Bay View Fire Station*

*Weed Abatement Amend Drive*

Tree crews cut or trimmed trees in the following locations: Grove Street, Lowell Avenue and Marina Way South.

Marina District crews installed irrigation pipes on the corner of Marina Way South and Regatta Boulevard, watered newly planted shrubs on the Marina Way South medians, performed weed abatement along the Bay Trail, removed debris from concrete beach, hand pulled weed on Marina Bay Parkway medians, performed maintenance around the restroom at Shimada Park, weed abated along the Esplanade Trail, refilled dog waste bags and emptied all refuse cans throughout the district.



*Weed Abatement*

Hilltop District crews weed abated at Hilltop Lake Park, continued installing irrigation at Hilltop Lake Park, cleared overgrown vegetation on Atlas Road, removed graffiti in various locations and removed debris throughout.



*Weed Abatement at Hilltop Lake*

### **Pavement Maintenance**

Streets crews grinded and paved on Florida Avenue and filled potholes from the outstanding list.





*Paving on Florida Avenue*

Street Sweeping crews swept the first Monday through Friday in the following neighborhood council areas; May Valley, Vista View, Clinton Hill I – IV and Richmond Heights. Please note that some locations may have had decreased service levels due to maintenance of machinery and low staffing levels.

Signs and Lines crews fabricated 11 new signs, installed nine signs in multiple locations, fixed three downed signs, installed 10 new poles for signs, placed five “Stop” messages, installed white pavement markings, painted green curbs and 310’ of red curbs in various locations.



*Red Curb Painting*



*Pavement Marking*

## **Water Resource Recovery Division**

### **Wastewater Treatment Plant – Fats, Oils, & Grease (FOG)**

Please! Do not put grease down the drain! Heavy grease has been reported at Richmond's sewer treatment plant. Grease clogs pipes and can be detrimental to the function of the plant.

For more information about Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG), please call 510-620-6594.

**GREASE ALERT!**  
Fats, Oils and Grease can clog our sewer pipes and can cause you **COSTLY** backups in your condo or apartment.

**FIGHT F.O.G.**  
Fats, Oils & Grease can clog the sewer pipes in your area!

The City of Richmond was in your neighborhood working to keep the sewer lines clean, which helps prevent sewer overflows that can pollute our creeks, rivers, and groundwater. Help us fight future sewer backups in your area.

By following a few simple steps, you can help prevent sewer backups and spills:

1. Pour cooled fats, oils and grease into a covered, disposable container and throw it into your garbage can. Never pour fats, oils or grease down sink drains or toilets. **COOL IT, CAN IT, TRASH IT.**
2. Soak up remaining oils and grease with an absorbent material such as paper towels, and throw it into your garbage can.
3. Before you wash dishes, scrape food scraps, fats, oils and grease into your garbage can.
4. Use sink strainers to catch any remaining food waste while washing dishes.

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For more information, contact the City of Richmond at (540) 620-6594

**Planta de Tratamiento de Aguas Residuales – Aceites y Grasas (FOG)**

¡Por favor! ¡no ponga grasa por el drenaje! Se ha reportado grasa pesada en la planta de tratamiento de alcantarillado de Richmond. La grasa obstruye las tuberías y puede ser perjudicial para la función de la planta.

Para obtener más información sobre aceites y grasas (FOG), llame al 510-620-6594.

**油垢警報**  
油脂、廢植物油與油垢會堵塞污水管道和可能導致你公寓昂貴的管道堵塞!  
**Alerta de Grasa!**  
La Grasa y el Aceite de Cocinar están obstruyendo las tuberías del alcantarillado y pueden causar costosas obstrucciones en su condominio o apartamento.

**FIGHT F.O.G.**  
Grasas y aceites obstruyen tuberías de las alcantarillas en su área.  
油脂、廢植物油與油垢會堵塞您所在地區的污水管道

La Ciudad de Richmond estuvo en su vecindario trabajando para mantener las líneas de alcantarillado limpias, lo que ayuda a prevenir desbordamientos de alcantarillas que pueden contaminar nuestros arroyos, ríos y aguas subterráneas. Ayúdenos a combatir futuro desbordamientos de alcantarillas en su área.  
你身邊的里士滿市正在致力於保持下水道的清潔，這有助於預防可能污染我們的小溪、河流以及地下水的污水溢出。請協助我們防止您所在地區的污水管道出現倒流現象。

Si siguiendo unos sencillos pasos, puede ayudar a evitar los desbordamientos y los derrames de alcantarillas:  
這些方法有助於防止管道堵塞和污水管道倒流現象發生

1. Echar las grasas y los aceites enfriados en un recipiente cubierto desechable y tirarlo a la basura. Nunca debe echar aceites o grasas en los desagües o drenaje de lavamanos o inodoros. ENFRÍAR, EMPACAR, TIRAR.  
待油類、廢植物油與油垢變涼之後，將其倒入一個可棄置的帶蓋容器中，然後放入垃圾箱內。  
放涼、密封、棄置
2. Absorba los aceites y la grasa restante con un material absorbente como toallas de papel y tírela a la basura.   
用紙巾吸乾剩餘的油類、廢植物油與油垢，並與您的食物殘渣及廢物一起棄置。
3. Antes de lavar los platos, raspe los restos de comida, aceites y grasas y tírela a la basura.   
在洗碗之前，應首先將油類、廢植物油與油垢刮除並倒入堆肥桶或垃圾箱。
4. Utilice coladores de fregadero para recoger los restos de comida mientras lava los platos.   
在洗碗時，應利用水池阻滯器篩取剩餘的食物殘渣。

Richmond  
Para obtener más información, contacte la Ciudad de Richmond (540) 620-6594.  
如需更多資訊，請電 (540) 620-6594。

## Sewer Lateral Grant Program

The City of Richmond's Water Resource Recovery Department administers the Sewer Lateral Grant Program. The program reimburses eligible homeowners in the Richmond Municipal Sewer District (RMSD No. 1) for some of the cost to replace their sewer lateral.

The program is open and accepting applications for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year for sewer lateral work completed between 7/1/2020-6/30/2021.

For more information about the Sewer Lateral Grant Program, please visit [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/2130/Sewer-Lateral-Grant-Program](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/2130/Sewer-Lateral-Grant-Program) or call 510-620-6594.

**CITY OF RICHMOND**  
**Water Resource Recovery Department**  
 450 Civic Center Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
 Richmond, CA 94804  
 Office: (510) 620-6594  
 Fax: (510) 387-8195  
 Email: [wr@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:wr@ci.richmond.ca.us)  
 Website: [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/wr](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/wr)

**Sewer Lateral Grant Program**  
**Application**  
**Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Property Owner(s) Name (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Property Address (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address (if different than above): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Property Affiliation:  Primary Residence  Rental Property (answer question below)  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is the rental property currently registered with the City of Richmond Rent Program?  Yes  No

Contractor bid amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount paid to contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Declaration of Applicant:** I certify that (I) I have read and understand the "Lateral Grant Application and Guidelines"; (ii) I am the legal owner or, if the owner is a law firm, LLC, or other organization, the legal representative of the owner of the subject property described above; (iii) I recognize the acceptance of the sewer lateral grant application is not a guarantee or promise by the City of Richmond to approve sewer lateral grant funds for private sewer lateral replacement at the above-described property; (iv) I understand the City of Richmond will award one (1) sewer lateral grant reimbursement to property owners in a lifetime on a first come, first served basis until all sewer lateral grant funds are exhausted for the subject property described above; (v) I must maintain the private sewer lateral at the above-described property in compliance with Richmond Municipal Code Chapter 12.17 even if the sewer lateral grant application is not approved; (vi) I have not submitted a claim to the City or any other public agency for reimbursement of costs incurred to make the sewer lateral replacement described above; and (vii) I understand that the City of Richmond does not guarantee the work of contractors on private sewer laterals. Therefore, I grant the City of Richmond all rights of access to the subject property necessary to process this application, such rights to be exercised only during normal business hours and with reasonable notice to occupants of the subject property.

APPLICANT NAME (PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 APPLICANT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

**(FOR OFFICE USE ONLY)**

APPROVED FOR REIMBURSEMENT  INCOMPLETE  DENIED

CHIEF:  Contractor's final invoice  APN: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rental Property  FF: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Proof of Payment  LGA #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certificate of Lateral Compliance  Approved Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial Property operated by a Non-Profit Organization:  Yes  No  N/A  Approved Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has the applicant previously received a lateral grant reimbursement?  Yes  No

**Sewer Lateral Grant Program**  
**Application Guidelines**

Application and copies of the required documents listed below must be submitted to:  
 Water Resource Recovery Center – 450 Civic Center Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Richmond, CA 94804  
 Counter Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm  
[www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us)

The City of Richmond recommends obtaining estimates from at least three (3) contractors.

**Eligibility:**

- ❖ Parcels served by the City of Richmond Sanitary Municipal Sewer District.
- ❖ Sewer lateral replacement must be completed **BEFORE** applying for the Sewer Lateral Grant Program.
- ❖ A full line replacement must be completed during the fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021.
- ❖ If you have previously received a Sewer Lateral Grant reimbursement, you will not be eligible to apply.

**Required Documents:**

- ❖ Only Lateral Grant Applications dated 6/30/2020 or newer will be accepted.
- ❖ Contractor's final paid in full invoice.
- ❖ Proof of payment (copy of canceled check, credit card receipt, or bank statement are accepted).
- ❖ Certificate of Lateral Compliance (issued by the City after encroachment permit inspections are approved).
- ❖ Grant Deed (change of ownership taken place within last 3 months and/or if property is under a Trust).
- ❖ Tax-exempt organizations must submit proof of tax-exempt status.

**Award Limits:**

- Each fiscal year the City allocates sewer lateral grant funds to be awarded for private sewer lateral replacement.
- This program can be suspended at any time without prior or advanced notification or posting.
- Property owner(s) are eligible for **ONE (1)** sewer lateral grant reimbursement award in a lifetime on a first come, first served basis until all sewer lateral funds are exhausted.
- Starting July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, the complete sewer lateral grant reimbursement amount is \$1,800 per application.
- Incomplete applications will **NOT** be accepted.
- Applications will be accepted via email and mail at this time. This is subject to change.
- No applications will be accepted after the sewer lateral grant funds are exhausted.
- Reimbursement may take approximately 5 weeks from the date the completed application is received and approved by the City.

**PLEASE NOTE**  
**Sewer Lateral Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**  
**ONLY work completed during the fiscal year (7/1/20-6/30/21)**  
 will be eligible for sewer lateral grant reimbursements.

## Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Upgrade Project

The SCADA project (an acronym for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) will standardize, replace and configure the existing SCADA Network communication, the majority of which is outdated, failing and has exceeded its useful life. An upgraded SCADA system is crucial to allow for Veolia Staff at the City of Richmond's Wastewater Treatment Plant to monitor and control processes locally and at remote locations, including remote telemetry of the City's lift stations.

The contractor is Calcon Systems, Inc. The project is approximately 78% complete and the contractor is working on plant system programming upgrades and Piping and Instrumentation Diagrams (P&IDs).

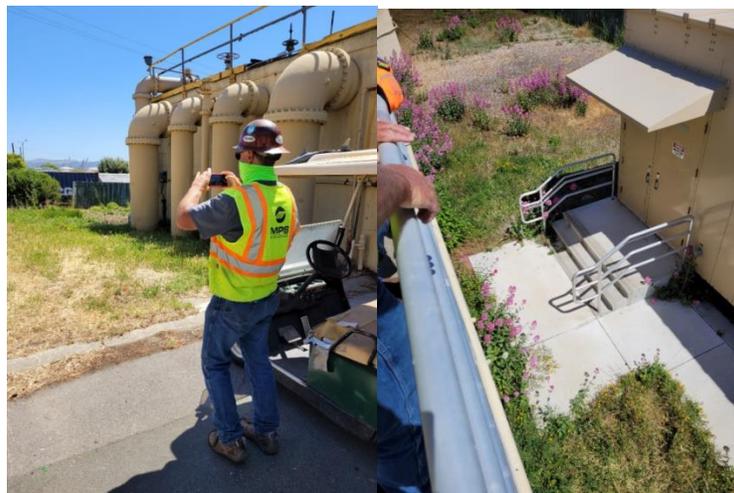


*Calcon (SCADA subcontractor) and Veolia O&M are working on the installation of a flush line valve to upgrade the shared leachate system.*

### **High Priority Critical Improvements Projects**

The City of Richmond and Veolia Water (Veolia) are implementing High Priority Critical Improvements Projects at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), which is managed and operated by Veolia. The purpose of the projects is to replace aging and unreliable infrastructure, improve treatment operating efficiency, comply with future discharge regulations and improve the functionality of the existing WWTP. The improvements were identified through previous planning efforts, including the 2010 WWTP Master Plan and the 2016 WWTP Facility Plan, to construct the following elements of the WWTP Critical Improvements Projects: (1) New screening and grit removal facilities; (2) Aeration upgrades; and (3) Demolition of existing facilities and site clearing in preparation for future WWTP Facilities. The projects are expected to take approximately 2 ½ years to complete.

The contractor is investigating the facilities prior to beginning construction on this project. See pictures and description below.



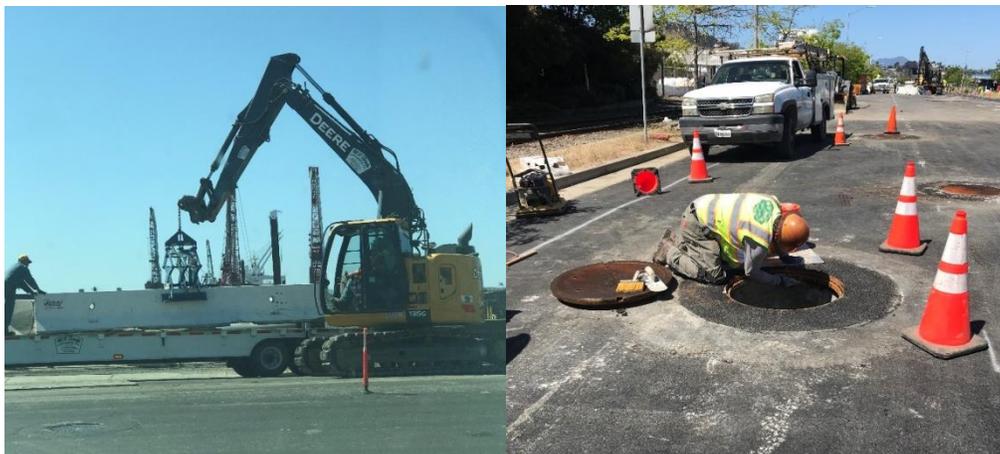


*Shimmick's subcontractor, MPS, is performing site investigation of the bypass operation prior to commencing construction.*

### **Trash Capture Project, Cutting Boulevard and S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**

In 2017, Caltrans and the City of Richmond collaborated to implement the Trash Capture Project. The Contech Engineered Solutions CDS system is a below-ground, flow-through treatment device that uses multiple treatment processes including swirl concentration and continuous deflective separation (CDS) to screen, separate and trap trash, debris, sediment, hydrocarbons and other pollutants from stormwater runoff. Veolia Water, in conjunction with the City of Richmond, successfully installed three such devices in 2017, 2018, and 2019; another device has been installed on Cutting Boulevard and S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

The project is complete. The contractor is removing barricades and grouting manhole interiors as part of the demobilization process. See pictures below.



*Local contractor W.R. Forde has completed installation of the trash capture device and is demobilizing.*

## 10. **Richmond Main Street**

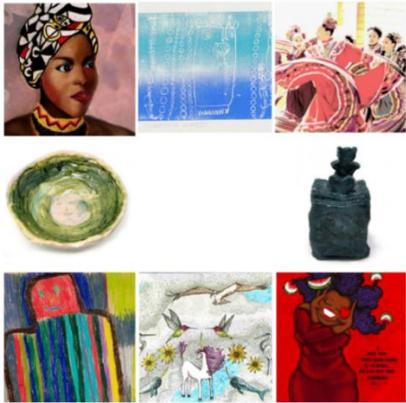
### **The Pandemic Can't Stop Art! Art In Windows 2021 Exhibition & Reception**

Art In Windows, the annual storefront exhibitions program pioneered by [Richmond Main Street Initiative](#), returns this year through a pilot collaboration with Richmond-based [NIAD Art Center](#). Funded by the Richmond Arts and Culture Commission's Neighborhood Public Arts Mini-Grant, the collaboration includes 2 exhibitions in Downtown Richmond windows, a free online opening reception on May 13 featuring participating artists and family-friendly workshop kits to accompany the exhibition, and a small business development workshop in June for up to 25 artists.

Richmond Main Street and NIAD invite the community to enjoy the show in 2 ways: **Enjoy the exhibitions on display through May 22, on view from the street 24/7!** Visit NIAD at 551 23rd Street to see works by Sarah Waite Chase, Robin D. Lopez, Elmarise Owens, and Karin Turner; and visit RMSI at 1600 Nevin Plaza to see art from Mireya Betances, Eddie Braught, Deatra Colbert, and Esmeralda Silva.

**Attend the virtual Thirsty Thursday reception on May 16, 6:00 P.M. !** Free to attend, registration is required. Plus: the first 25 ticket holders will receive a make-and-take art workshop kit that includes some of the materials that the 8 artists used to make their artwork during the reception.

For more information and to RSVP for the reception, visit [www.NIADArtStore.org](http://www.NIADArtStore.org).



**RICHMOND MAIN STREET X NIAD ART CENTER**  
**ART IN WINDOWS**  
APRIL 30 - MAY 22, 2021

**1 EXHIBITION, 2 LOCATIONS**

Richmond Main Street, 1600 Nevin Plaza: NIAD artists Esmeralda Silva, Deatra Colbert, Eddie Braught, Mireya Betances  
NIAD Art Center, 551 23rd Street: Local artists Karin Turner, Sarah W. Chase, Robin Lopez, Elmarise Owens

**WAYS TO ENGAGE**

Thirsty Thursday virtual reception, May 13, 6pm  
hear from the artists, make & take art kit, connect with art lovers

**LEARN MORE** [www.RichmondMainStreet.org](http://www.RichmondMainStreet.org) & [www.NiadArt.org](http://www.NiadArt.org)



## 11. **Richmond Promise**

### **Help Local Students Break Into the Field of their Dreams: Mentor a Richmond Promise Scholar!**

Professionals and Scholars alike are invited to submit applications through May! Mentors invest time and expertise into nurturing the personal and professional growth of Richmond Promise Scholars through and beyond their higher education journey. Pairings are intentional, meant to connect mentees to relevant and relatable professionals. Those interested may apply today at [www.tinyurl.com/RP-MentorApp21](http://www.tinyurl.com/RP-MentorApp21), [www.tinyurl.com/RP-MenteeApp21](http://www.tinyurl.com/RP-MenteeApp21) respectively or can reach out to program manager, Cynthia Ramirez Parra at [cramirezparra@richmondpromise.org](mailto:cramirezparra@richmondpromise.org).

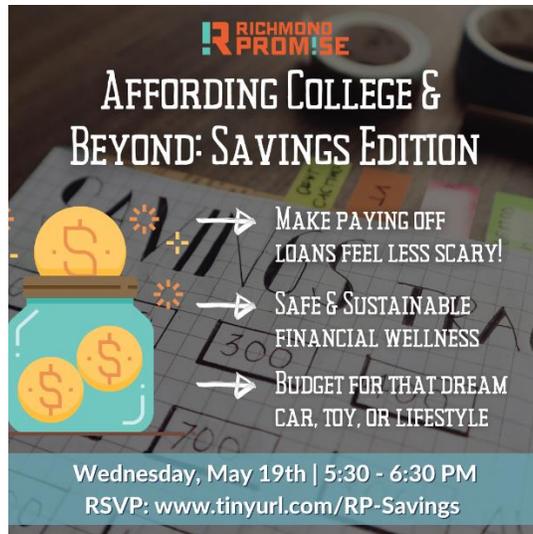


### **Special COVID Vaccine Informational Session for the Richmond Promise Community**

Contra Costa Health Services has generously offered to host an informational session to address questions and concerns around the currently available Covid-19 vaccines. The webinar will be open to Scholars and the wider Richmond Promise community, and will take place on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. (Pacific Time). Those interested may RSVP at [www.tinyurl.com/RP-CCHS-Vaccine101](http://www.tinyurl.com/RP-CCHS-Vaccine101)

### **May College Success Workshop: Affordability & Savings**

See registration details in the flyer below! We invite the wider community to attend and share! RSVP at [www.tinyurl.com/RP-Savings](http://www.tinyurl.com/RP-Savings)



*Thank you for keeping up with the activities in the City of Richmond. Feel free to contact the City Manager's Office if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.*

**Thank You!**

**Laura Snideman**

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