

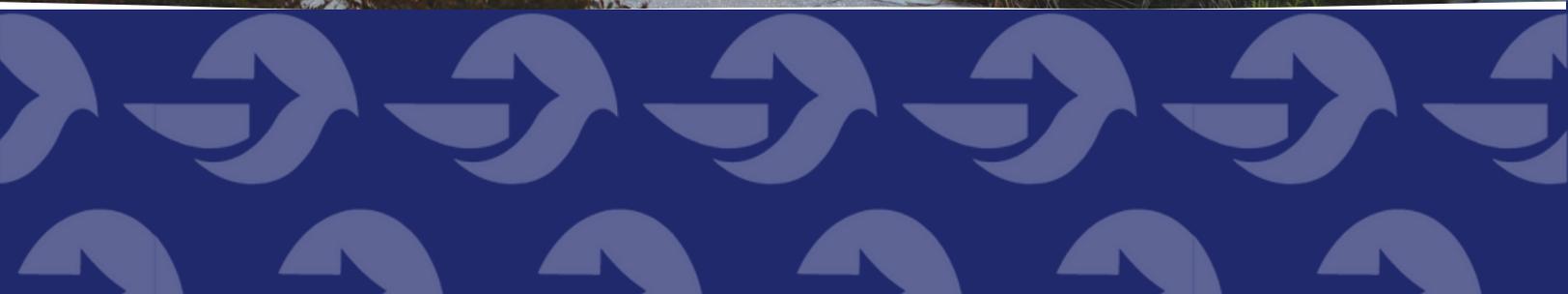
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MARCH 1, 2024

City of
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We are thrilled to present this week's **experimental draft** of our Weekly Report, featuring a fresh design aimed at enhancing readability and accessibility. Your feedback is invaluable as we strive to refine and improve our communication with you. Thank you for being a part of this exciting journey towards a more engaging and informative report. Please email weeklyreport@ci.richmond.ca.us or call (510)620-6512 to provide your feedback!!

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CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

MARCH 1, 2024

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Editor's Notes

Reflections on the Homegoing Celebration for Former Mayor Irma Anderson

On Thursday, February 29th, a beautiful homegoing celebration was held to honor the life and legacy of the former Mayor of Richmond, CA, Irma Anderson. Friends, family, and community members gathered to pay their respects and celebrate a remarkable leader whose impact will be felt for generations.

As we bid farewell to Mayor Anderson, we are reminded of the profound loss our city faces. Her unwavering dedication and tireless efforts have left an indelible mark on Richmond, shaping it into a place of opportunity and progress. While she will be deeply missed, her spirit lives on in the countless lives she touched and the positive changes she championed. Let us carry forward her vision and commitment to serving others, ensuring that her legacy continues to inspire and uplift our community.

To view more historical facts about Mayor Irma Anderson, visit the link below:
<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4621/Remembering-Mayor-Irma-Anderson>





Upcoming City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, 2024. 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 on the following link: [City Council Agenda](#)



Upcoming Events

Free Art Class for Kids at West Side Branch Library

Date: March 5, 2024 & March 19, 2024

Time: 3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Location: West Side Branch Library, 135 Washington Avenue

Come make a portrait of your favorite animal! Learn techniques with Peggy Mocine from 3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. on Tuesdays, March 5 and March 19, at the West Side Branch Library.



Richmond Rising Collaborative Stakeholder Committee Meeting

Date: March 6, 2024

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Nevin Community Center, 598 Nevin Avenue

The Richmond Rising Collaborative Stakeholder Committee provides guidance and accountability for implementation of the \$35 million Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) award, which aims to bring health, economic, and environmental benefits to the Iron Triangle, Santa Fe, and Coronado neighborhoods. The Committee welcomes and considers all public feedback and questions.

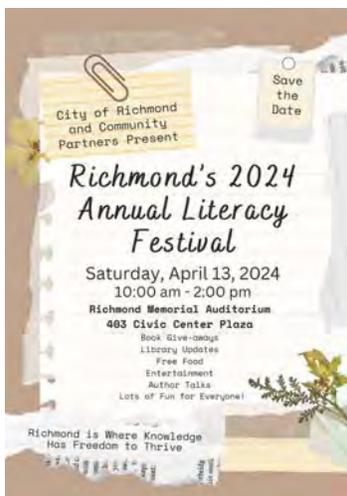
2024 Annual Literacy Festival

Date: April 13, 2024

Time: 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Location: Richmond Memorial Auditorium, 403 Civic Center Plaza

Join us at Richmond's 2024 Annual Literacy Festival! Immerse yourself in a literary haven with book giveaways, delectable bites, library updates, and captivating entertainment. Engage with acclaimed authors as they share their insights. Open to all, this event promises a celebration of words, community, and culture. Don't miss the chance to fuel your love for literature and connect with fellow book enthusiasts. See you there!



City Manager's Chronicles

Meetings and events of note in the past week include the following:

- Participated in a meeting with the East Bay Regional Park District
- Participated in the Bloomberg-Harvard Cities Initiative Leadership Team's check-in meetings and Innovation Track seminar
- Met with Amy Maxmen of KFF Health News to discuss Health in All Policies (HiAP) work in the city
- Attended the February 27, 2024 Closed Session and Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council
- Met with staff from the City Attorney's Office and Rent Program to discuss the framework for an agreement between the City and the Rent Program
- Met with Finance Staff to review and finalize the FY 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Report
- Attended the Black History Celebration of Life event for former Mayor Irma L. Anderson. I want to thank everyone involved for bringing together such a lovely event. I would like to acknowledge LaShonda White, Deputy City Manager and Michelle Miliam, Crime Prevention Manager, and the Planning Committee for their tireless efforts.
- Documented several locations throughout the City regarding illegal dumping, potholes, and dilapidated vehicles, and forwarded them to appropriate staff members to address in a timely manner.

Continued one-on-one weekly meetings with members of the City Council, community members, the Management Leadership Team, Department Heads in our one-on-one check-ins, City Attorney's Office, and various City staff members.

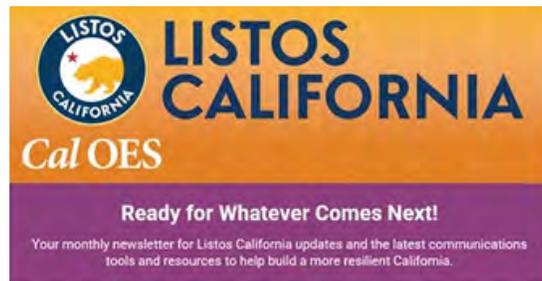


City Manager's Office

State Operations Center Activated to Respond to Ongoing Storms! - Listos California Active Weather Response and Social Media Resources

Visit the [Storm Season Safety Resource Hub](#) to help prepare for, respond to, and recover from floods, power outages, high winds, cold temperatures, deep snow, mudslides and debris flows. A [Severe Storm Safety Social Media Toolkit](#) is also available and consists of graphics, videos, posts, and information to help engage California communities across all social media platforms in English and Spanish.

The current series of dangerous storms that are hitting California reaffirms the importance of preparedness and your important role as a trusted messenger in keeping our communities safe.



NOW OPEN FOR THE CLASS OF 2024: Richmond Promise Scholarship

The 2024 Richmond Promise Scholarship is NOW OPEN for Richmond residents. Eligible students can apply for the \$1,500 annual scholarship that is renewable for up to 4-6 years. The scholarship can be used at any 2-year, 4-year, or Career Technical Education post-secondary institution in the U.S. Visit richmondpromise.org/scholarship for details.



RICHMOND PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

- Are you a resident of Richmond or North Richmond?
- Will you graduate from a public, private, or charter school within the WCCUSD boundaries?
- Did you attend any school within the WCCUSD boundaries since the 9th grade?
- Will you complete your FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application by the time you enroll?

RECEIVE \$1500 EACH YEAR AND EXTRA COLLEGE SUPPORT BY APPLYING TODAY!

INTERESTED?
To Apply: Visit RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG
Applications Open Jan. 29th

APPLICATION DUE
April 12, 2024

Questions? scholarship@richmondpromise.org 510-775-1067



RICHMOND PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

- ¿Es usted residente de Richmond o North Richmond?
- ¿Se graduará de una escuela pública, privada o autónoma dentro de los límites del WCCUSD?
- ¿Asistió a alguna escuela dentro de los límites del WCCUSD desde el noveno grado?
- ¿Completará su solicitud FAFSA/CA Dream Act cuando se inscriba?

RECIBE \$1500 CADA AÑO Y APOYO UNIVERSITARIO ADICIONAL SOLICITANDO HOY

¡INTERESADA?
Para aplicar, visita: RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG
Las solicitudes se abren el 29 de Enero

SOLICITUD VENCIDA
12 de Abril de 2024

¿Preguntas? scholarship@richmondpromise.org 510-775-1067

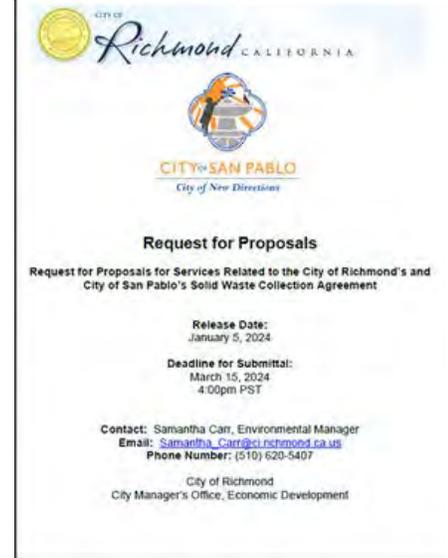
Request for Proposal Released for Solid Waste Collection Agreement – Richmond and San Pablo

Closing Date: Friday, March 15, 2024, by 4:00 P.M.

On January 5, the City of Richmond in partnership with the City of San Pablo have released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for solid waste collection services starting July 1, 2025. To access the RFP and associated documents, go to www.ci.richmond.ca.us/bids, go to the Contracting/Purchasing Opportunities section and click on Bid Opportunities, and then search for “Solid Waste Collection Agreement”. Proposals are due on March 15, 2024, by 4:00 P.M.

A mandatory pre-proposal meeting was held on January 22, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. via Zoom. Questions regarding the RFP were required to be submitted via the Q&A Tab in the BidsOnline system and were due no later than February 12, 2024, by 5:00 P.M. Answers were provided via addendum through the BidsOnline system and were posted by February 26, 2024.

If you have any further questions, please contact Ofelia Alvarez at (510) 620-6699 or at Ofelia_Alvarez@ci.richmond.ca.us.



Community Development

Rent Relief Program Open

The City Council has allocated funds to provide Richmond Residents with rent relief. A household can receive up to \$3,000. Checks will be paid directly to the landlord. For more info: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rentrelief

El Concejo Municipal ha asignado fondos para brindar alivio del alquiler a los residentes de Richmond. Un hogar puede recibir hasta \$3,000. Los cheques se pagarán directamente al propietario.

Para más información: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rentrelief

A flyer for the Rent Relief program in English. It features a yellow and orange background with a silhouette of a diverse family at the bottom. The text includes: "RICHMOND RESIDENTS!! AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RENT RELIEF FOR ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS", "RENT RELIEF", "A household can receive up to \$3,000. Checks will be paid directly to the landlord.", a list of eligibility criteria, and contact information for Cynthia Greco, Property Manager, and a website link: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rentrelief.A flyer for the Rent Relief program in Spanish. It features a yellow and orange background with a silhouette of a diverse family at the bottom. The text includes: "¡RESIDENTES DE RICHMOND!! UNA OPORTUNIDAD PARA ALIVIO DEL ALQUILER PARA HOGARES ELEGIBLES", "ALIVIO DEL ALQUILER", "Un hogar puede recibir hasta \$3,000. Los cheques se pagarán directamente al propietario.", a list of eligibility criteria, and contact information for Cynthia Greco, Administradora de Propiedades, and a website link: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rentrelief.

Community Development Workshop on Proposed Residential Rental Inspection Program Changes

Date: March 14, 2024

Time: 5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Location: Bermuda Room, Richmond Memorial Auditorium, 2533 Nevin Avenue

Community Development will host a workshop regarding proposed Residential Rental Inspection Program changes. Join us, landlords, and tenants to learn about and provide feedback on adding inspections of subsidized housing units and expanding inspection to all units. For more info: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RRIP

Taller sobre los cambios propuestos en el Programa de Inspección de Alquileres Residenciales. Únase a nosotros, propietarios e inquilinos, para conocer y brindar comentarios sobre cómo agregar la inspección de unidades de vivienda subsidiadas y ampliar la inspección a todas las unidades. Para más información: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/RRIP

Help Shape the Future of Your Community

Date: March 18, 2024

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Richmond City Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza

The Contra Costa County Consortium is having a Public Meeting to receive comments from residents to help shape the community's future. For more Info: www.cccounty.us/conplan

El Consorcio del Condado de Contra Costa tendrá una reunión pública para recibir comentarios de los residentes para ayudar a dar forma al futuro de la comunidad. Para más información: www.cccounty.us/conplan



Community Services

Richmond Farmer's Market and Food Assistance

Date: Fridays

Time: 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Location: 24th Street and Barrett Avenue

Celebrating 40 years of fresh flavors and community vibes! Join us every Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the heart of Richmond's Farmers Market. From vibrant veggies to succulent fruits, we've been bringing the best of local harvests to your table since 1982. Celebrate the taste of togetherness, because here, our roots run deep.

If you require food assistance, visit our website @ <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4617/Food-Access-Resources> to view a comprehensive list of Food Access and Food Recovery resources.



Employment & Training

PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS UA LOCAL 159 2024 APPRENTICESHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

Date: March 25, 2024

Time: 8:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. & 1:30 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Location: 1308 Roman Way, Martinez, CA

The Plumbers and Steamfitters UA Local 159 will be accepting application for their 2024 apprenticeship program. Must have high school diploma or equivalent. For more information, contact JATC@plumbers159.org or (925) 229-0400.

UA Local 159 JATC
Please see job apprenticeship file
 Classes Offered at the Education Centers Listed Below:

Pittsburg Adult School (925) 471-2400 1151 Stearns Avenue Pittsburg, CA 94565	San Bruno Adult School (415) 948-2100 799 E. Bayshore Avenue San Bruno, CA 94067	San Leandro Adult School (510) 467-6287 1448 Williams Street San Leandro, CA 94577
MacChesney High School (925) 273-2100 2007 MacArthur Street Oakland, CA 94612	Vallejo Adult School (707) 576-8800 153 Tomkinson Street Vallejo, CA 94591	Hayward Adult Education (925) 747-8367 300 East E Street Hayward, CA 94505

For information on Construction Career and Training, please contact CTR (Construction, Trade Worker Initiative) at ctr@ua159.org

Suggested Study Material (books)

[Link](#)
 Practical Math Success in 21 Minutes a Day:
 10 Learning Express eBooks - Approx. Cost \$18

Additional Apply's
 Internal's Form to Prepare for the Mechanical Aptitude & Spatial Relations Test:
 (By Adult Workers - Approx. Cost \$15)
 (Note: Study Mechanical Aptitude section of the book)

For more information, contact: (925) 229-0400 or (925) 229-0400

PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS UA LOCAL 159
 2024 APPRENTICESHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

Plumbing, Steamfitting, & Welding Openings for Contra Costa County

OCCUPATION:	Plumber/Steamfitter Apprentice
LENGTH OF TRAINING:	Five Years - Schooling and On-the-Job Training
AREA OF EMPLOYMENT:	Contra Costa County
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:	
AGE:	18 years or older, proof of age required when applying
EDUCATION:	High School Diploma or Equivalent (NOTE: You must have your original diploma or G.E.D. certificate with you when you apply. High school transcripts will be accepted, but they must have a valid school seal)
IDENTIFICATION:	A valid picture ID is required when applying. If accepted for apprenticeship, a valid California driver's license will be required for employment.
WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE APPLICATIONS:	
NEXT APPLICATION DATES:	March 29 th through April 25, 2024 Monday through Friday only 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
TESTING REQUIREMENTS:	Written Tests (Basic Math and Mechanical Reasoning) Oral Interview (Applicant must pass both written tests with 70% or better in order to interview) Drug and alcohol testing prior to employment
PLACE:	Plumbers & Steamfitters UA Local 159 1308 Roman Way, Martinez, CA 94553 PO 905-229-0400 Email: JATC@plumbers159.org

Department of Rehabilitation Returns to Employment and Training Department

Date: Wednesdays

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Location: 330 25th Street, Richmond, CA

The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) works with Californians to help them get a job, live independently, and have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. The DOR has added new features on their website that let you request information and apply for services easily.

For more information:

<https://dor.ca.gov/Home/GettingStarted>



Scan for a digital copy



Calling Job Seekers

LEARN HOW DOR CAN HELP YOU GET A JOB OR GROW IN YOUR CAREER!

The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) works with Californians to help them get a job, live independently, and have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else. We have added new features on our website that let you request information and apply for services easily.



Who We Serve

- Individuals with disabilities
- Individuals getting services from Regional Centers or Independent Living Centers
- Individuals who are blind/visually impaired or deaf/hard of hearing
- Students (ages 16+) with an IEP, a 504 plan, or a barrier to employment

What We Do

DOR can help you with:

- Connect job seekers with disabilities with hiring employers
- Job training and tools
- College and textbooks
- Assistive technology
- Services like childcare or transportation to support your career goals
- Disability and benefits counseling (SSA/SSDI benefits to return to work)

Go To: <https://dor.ca.gov/Home/GettingStarted>



VISIT THE DOR WEBSITE TODAY TO COMPLETE OUR SIMPLE ONLINE FORM AND FIND OUT HOW WE CAN HELP YOU REACH YOUR CAREER GOALS!

Career Center Open Daily Businesses Can Get Up To \$7,500 for New Hires

Date: Monday – Friday

Time: 9:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Location: 330 – 25th Street, Richmond, CA

Looking for a job? Need career training? All services are free.

Come visit us at 330 25th Street, Richmond. We are open Monday through Friday, 9:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. and can assist you today.

For more information about the City of Richmond's Employment and Training Wage Reimbursement Program, contact Emmanuel Njome at enjome@richmondworks.org or (510) 307-8029.



HIRING A NEW EMPLOYEE?

Let us help your business save time & money while preparing new hires for your vital jobs.

WE OFFER

COST SAVINGS:

Free, one-on-one up to \$700 in wage reimbursement for NEW HIRES!

SKILLED WORKFORCE:

The specially trained workforce that is skilled to meet your needs and help you reach the right market fit from day one.

CONVENIENCE:

The business process that is fast and easy and the right when you need it, reducing the time, effort, and money spent on hiring.

CONTACT US NOW

- Phone: (510) 307-8029
- Email: enajome@richmondworks.org
- Address: 330 25th Street, Richmond, CA 94804

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Wildland Fire Career Training Program & Job Placement

Receive on-the-job, paid training in Fire Prevention, Suppression, Urban Forestry, Restoration, and more. For more information, call (626) 600-9505, email: info@forestryfirerp.org, or visit forestryfirerp.org.

WILDLAND FIRE
CAREER TRAINING PROGRAM & JOB PLACEMENT
 RECEIVE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING!
 Transition into careers within the FORESTRY / WILDLAND / FUELS SECTOR:
 FIRE PREVENTION, FIRE SUPPRESSION, URBAN FORESTRY, LAND
 MANAGEMENT, REFORESTATION, AND MORE

- QUALIFICATIONS**
- Must be 18+ years old
 - Have proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency
 - Live in **California** willing to commute to Bay Area & LA training locations
 - Priority applicants: (previous Conservation (Fire) Camp experience)
 - Have a CA Driver's License / reliable form of transportation
 - Have or working towards stable housing
 - No arson / sex crime convictions

- WHAT WE PROVIDE**
- Performance-based stipend for participation in training program
 - Preparation for Full Time / Seasonal Positions in Forestry & Fire Careers
 - Expungement assistance upon request
 - Case management support & referrals, including email communications about training & job opportunities

- REQUIREMENTS**
- Step 1:** Complete online Assessment Application forms for FFRP: ForestryFireRP.org/Get-Involved * (Only members of FFRP have been allowed to register this content by receiving badge membership)
 - Step 2:** Attend **mandatory** info session (offered monthly), then regular Zoom or in-person check-ins and physical conditioning with FFRP staff
 - Step 3:** Final selection for admission will include (1) a physical fitness test, (2) an interview, and (3) a submitted written response
 - Step 4:** Must participate in rigorous physical training required to carry 45 lbs up steep terrain for long periods of time
 - Step 5:** Participation in paid full-time 8-week training cohort (32-40 hours per week, \$1,120 every two weeks based on performance) to occur in-field & in-class

Oakland / Lafayette 07/23-10/09/23
San Bernardino / Pasadena 10/20/23-12/22/23
San Bernardino / Pasadena 1/9/24-3/1/24
Oakland / Lafayette 3/4/24-4/26/24

Been to Fire Camp, but exploring careers in other sectors? Our team can still connect you with resources, services, and referrals.

CONTACT US

CALL (626) 600-9505
 444 S. Main Street, Suite 1000

EMAIL info@forestryfirerp.org

WRITE 110 W 6th St, #162
 Azusa, CA 91702

BECOMING A WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER

You can use the skills gained in camp to start a professional wildland career once paroled. Below is a starting point.

STEPS TO BECOME A WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER

IN CAMP

- Build up your firefighting skills:
 - a. Handtools / Saw
 - b. Fire Behavior
 - c. Weather
 - d. Fuels
 - e. Special Skills
- Have a High School Diploma or GED.
- Have positive relationship with staff, get a reference letter.
- Organize Fire Certifications/Chronoc.
- Stay in Shape.

ONCE PAROLED

Prospective firefighters should focus pre-application efforts in three areas:

- a. Physical Conditioning
- b. Training
- c. Networking

- Inform Parole/Probation of career goal.
- Enroll in a Wildland Fire Academy.
- Update your resume.
- Meet and network with current Wildland Firefighters for career openings and opportunities.
- Stay in shape!! Your physical abilities can create or dismiss you from a career.
- Search for jobs at USAJobs.gov

(626) 600-9505
info@forestryfirerp.org
forestryfirerp.org
 110 W 6th St. #162
 Azusa, CA 91702

IMMEDIATE OPPORTUNITIES AFTER CAMP

Most wildland hiring happens between October and March for the next season. To apply you will need paper and electronic versions of your:

- Resume
- Certifications
- Residence
- Letter

AD / On-Call / Emergency Firefighter: Work for the US Forest Service during emergencies. Requires training to be eligible. Contact your local National Forest for information.

Seasonal Firefighter: Work full time during fire season, usually a 6 – 9 month commitment. Requirements vary. Contact a fire agency for info.

Wildland Agencies to Contact

- The United States Forest Service (USFS)
- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- The National Park Service (NPS)
- Private Contractors (ex. Fairview)

Types of Work

- Handcrews (Hotshots, Fire Modules)
- Fire Engines (Type3 and Type6)
- Air Support (Hellick, Smokejumpers)

How We Help
 FFRP is a network of former camp firefighters and volunteers who assist those who within 6 months of parole enter a professional wildland career.

Not Interested in a Wildland Career?
 We still have resources for you. Fill out an Assessment Form and we can help you achieve your goals.

Summer Youth Program 2024 Applications Are Now Being Accepted

- Apply at <http://tinyurl.com/richmondsummer2024>
- For more information or program questions, contact (510) 412-2044 or youthworks@richmondworks.org
- Priority is given to the first 500 applications

City of Richmond

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 2024



APPLY TODAY!
<http://tinyurl.com/RichmondYOUTHWORKSSUMMER2024>

APPLICANTS MUST BE

- City of Richmond Residents
- 16 – 30 Years Old

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED UNTIL MAY 31, 2023
Priority is given to the first 500 applications.

For more information contact:
 510-412-2044
 or
YOUTHWORKS@RichmondWORKS.org

This program is funded by the City of Richmond's Imagine Public Works and Ordinance for All Youth Fund. It is an equal opportunity employment program. Auxiliary jobs and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Language limits a site available upon request.

San Pablo Scholarship Program

Application Deadline: April 15, 2024

Apply for a \$1,000 Scholarship from the City of San Pablo for College or Technical Education. Must be a San Pablo resident, High School Graduate, or have a GED, and must be attending post-secondary education in the Fall.

SAN PABLO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

\$1,000 FOR COLLEGE OR CAREER/TECHNICAL EDUCATION

APPLY BY APRIL 15

ELIGIBILITY

- ✓ LIVE IN SAN PABLO
- ✓ HIGH SCHOOL GRAD OR GED
- ✓ CONTINUING YOUR EDUCATION THIS FALL

Application Form

Community Services Department 2450 Road 20, San Pablo CA 94806
510-215-3000 - SPScholarship@sanpabloca.gov
SanPabloCA.gov/Scholarship

PROGRAMA DE BECAS EN SAN PABLO

\$1,000 PARA LA UNIVERSIDAD O EDUCACION VOCACIONAL

ENVIE SU SOLICITUD 15 DE ABRIL

ELIGIBILIDAD

- ✓ RESIDIR EN SAN PABLO
- ✓ TITULADO DE LA SECUNDARIA O GED
- ✓ REGISTRADO EN CLASES EN EL OTOÑO DE 2024

¡Solo en Español!

Community Services Department 2450 Road 20, San Pablo CA 94806
510-215-3000 - SPScholarship@sanpabloca.gov
SanPabloCA.gov/Scholarship

Library

Family Storytime at West Side Branch Library

Date: Tuesdays

Time: 11:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Location: West Side Branch Library, 135 Washington Avenue

Join us at the West Side Branch Library for our new Family Storytime. Read, sing, and dance on Tuesdays at 11:00 A.M.

Richmond Public Library Presents

Story Time

Sing
Dance
Play
Read

Come Join Us for Family Fun at the Library!

West Side Branch
137 Washington Ave. Richmond, Ca 94804
Tuesdays 11am-11:30am
Starting February 13th

Questions? Contact Us: 510-620-6567 www.richmondlibrary.org

Richmond Public Library Presents

Hora del Cuento

Sing
Dance
Play
Read

¡Disfruta de la diversión familiar en la biblioteca!

Biblioteca West Side
137 Washington Ave. Richmond, Ca 94804
Martes 11am-11:30am
A partir de febrero 13th

Para más información llámanos al: 510-620-6566 www.richmondlibrary.org

Eviction Defense Lawyer at the Library

Multiple Dates Available

Time: 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Location: West Side Branch Library, 135 Washington Ave.

Are you a tenant facing eviction? Get free legal help at the West Side Branch, Monday, March 11th, or at the Bayview Branch, Tuesday, March 19th. For appointments in Spanish, call the Eviction Defense Center at (510) 452-4541.

Are you a tenant facing eviction? Get free legal advice!

5:00 - 7:00 PM – Twice a Month!
20 minute consultation
No reservation required

Bayview Branch Library 5100 Hartnett Ave Richmond, CA 94804 (510) 620-6566	West Side Branch Library 135 Washington Ave Richmond, CA 94801 (510) 620-6567
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March 19
April 16

March 11
April 8

Sponsored by the Eviction Defense Center of Oakland

¿Es usted un inquilino que se enfrenta a un desalojo? ¡Obtén consejo legal gratuito!

Consejo legal gratuito de 5:00 - 7:00 PM
¡Dos veces al mes!

Para citas en español, llame al Centro en Oakland

Bayview Branch Library 5100 Hartnett Ave Richmond, CA 94804 (510) 620-6566	West Side Branch Library 135 Washington Ave Richmond, CA 94801 (510) 620-6567
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el 19 de marzo
el 16 de abril

el 11 de marzo
el 8 de abril

Patrocinado por el Centro de Oakland para Defensa contra los Desalojos (510) 452-4541

Adult Craft Kit

Location: Main Library, 325 Civic Center Plaza

Color a pre-designed canvas with markers and spark your inner artist. Display or gift the result!

Kits available at Main Library while supplies last.

MARCH ADULT CRAFT KIT

Unleash Your Inner Artist with Colored Markers!

Color a pre-designed canvas frame

Richmond Public Library

Libraries in the Age of Disinformation

Date: March 14, 2024

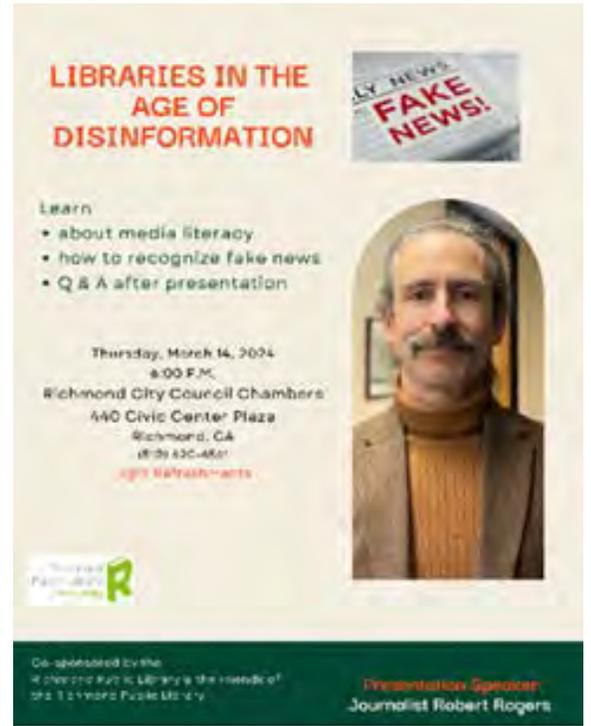
Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: City Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza

The Richmond Public Library and the Friends of the Richmond Public Library invite you to a media literacy program with journalist and policy advisor Robert Rogers to empower you to distinguish between fact and fiction, with an opportunity for questions and answers.

There will be light refreshments before the presentation.

For more information, call (510) 620-5516 or visit www.richmondlibrary.org



Spring Fling at West Side Branch Library

Date: March 23, 2024

Time: 11:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

Location: West Side Branch Library, 135 Washington Ave.

The West Side Branch Library will be open for the Point Richmond Spring Fling with kid's crafts. Come join us from 11:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

For more information, call (510) 620-6567.



Floating Egg Hunt

Date: March 16, 2024

Time: 1:15 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

Location: Richmond Swim Center @ Kennedy High School
4300 Cutting Blvd

A fun family event to kick off Spring – hunting for colorful eggs that are floating in the pool at the Richmond Swim Center. Two sessions are available for the Floating Egg Hunt and play time in the pool. All participants (adults and children) must register in advance to attend.

Register now online at:
tinyurl.com/RichmondRecreation



Spring Egg Hunt

Date: March 23, 2024

Time: 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Location: Nicholl Park

Join us for the Spring Egg Hunt! Kids of all ages can join the fun, with designated hunts for different age groups.

Ages 5 & Under – 10:15 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Ages 10 & Under – 10:30 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

All Ages – 10:45 A.M. & 11:30 A.M.

FREE entry for everyone. Don't miss out on the egg-citement! Weather permitting.

For more information, call (510) 620-6793.



Spring Break Camp

Date: April 1 – April 5, 2024

Time: 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Location: Richmond Recreation Complex

Need childcare while your children are out for spring break, April 1-5, 2024?

Join Recreation Staff at the Richmond Recreation Complex for a fun and active Spring Break. Campers will participate in art & crafts activities, fun group games, movement activities, and the opportunity to make new friends and reconnect with old ones!

For more information, call (510) 620-6793.



Summer Futsal League

Date: June 3, 2024

Location: Richmond Rec Complex, Booker T Anderson (TBD), RPAL (TBD)

Mark your calendars!

6U-14U Boys & Girls Summer Futsal League Registration Opens April 1st and Closes May 24th! Practice starts June 3rd. \$600/per team with weekday (half-court) practice & \$400/per team-no practice. Don't miss out on this exciting recreational and competitive opportunity!



Achieve After-School Program

For only \$20 a month, you reserve a spot in one of our great Achieve After School Programs.

The Parchester Community Center program runs until 6:00 P.M., Monday-Friday at 900 Williams Drive, Richmond, CA 94806

The Shields-Reid Community Center program runs until 5:00 P.M., Monday-Friday at 1410 Kelsey Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801
Walking school bus from Verde Elementary

The Nevin Community Center runs until 6:00 P.M., Monday-Friday at 598 Nevin Avenue, Richmond, CA 94801
Walking school bus from Richmond College Prep & Lincoln Elementary

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598 NEVIN AVE.

P Parchester Community Center
900 WILLIAMS DRIVE

REGISTER TODAY!

Afterschool - 6:00 pm
Session 1 : Aug. 15-Dec. 15, 23
Session 2 : Jan. 2-May 31, 24

Despues de escuela- 6:00 pm
Sesión 1: agosto 15-diciembre, 15, 23
Sesión 2: enero 2-mayo 31, 24

510-620-6793 register online: tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation

Zumba Gold

Date: Fridays

Time: 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Location: Richmond Annex Senior Center, 5801 Huntington Ave.

Get ready to groove and move with our new Zumba Gold Class! Join us for a fun-filled fitness experience tailored for all fitness levels. Our goal is to increase social interaction and build community while dancing, sweating, and feeling great together! Open to the entire community. Come join the party!

Cost: \$2 per class

For registration or more information, contact (510) 620-6812.

Richmond Annex
Senior Center

LET'S FUN DANCE
ZUMBA GOLD

Annette Mora
Zumba instructor

Join us for a Zumba Gold Workout.
More than a class a community.

Fridays 11:30 - 12:30pm
At 5801 Huntington Ave.

\$2 / per class

For registration you can contact
(510) 620-6812

Elevate After-School Program

Ends May 31, 2024

Time: 1:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Location: May Valley Community Center

For \$100 per month per child, you can reserve a spot at the May Valley Community Center. With assistance from Richmond Recreation staff, participants get help with homework, art/crafts, engage with other children, play organized group games, explore new things, and much more! The staff also runs a walking school bus from Valley View Elementary.



Tiny Heroes – Be a Superhero!

The Community Services Recreation Division presents Tiny Heroes classes tailored for infants and toddlers at Shields-Reid and Nevin Community Centers. The classes at Nevin run on Mondays and Tuesdays, while Shields-Reid's classes are held on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The monthly fee is \$20 for Richmond residents and \$25 for non-residents. We also offer drop-ins for \$5.

It's important to note that this is not a preschool or daycare; parents/guardians must be present with their children at all times.

For registration information, visit [City of Richmond Recreation Registration Page](#) or call (510) 620-6793.



Boys Middle School Basketball League

Date: Fridays thru May 2024

Time: 4:15 P.M. - 8:15 P.M.

Location: Recreation Complex

Boys Middle School Basketball League presents thrilling contests where school teams of five players compete on the hardwood. Fast-paced dribbling, sharp shooting, and strategic plays unfold as young athletes showcase their athleticism and teamwork. The league fosters a passion for basketball, skill development, and friendly competition among middle school boys. League games are Fridays through May 10, 2024.



Girls Middle School Volleyball League

Date: Thursdays thru May 2024

Time: 5:15 P.M. - 8:15 P.M.

Location: Richmond Recreation Complex

Girls Middle School Volleyball League takes place on Thursdays until May 30, 2024, and features energetic matches between school teams, showcasing teamwork, skill, and sportsmanship. Played on a rectangular court, teams of six players engage in strategic rallies, setting, spiking, and digging to score points. The league promotes physical activity, camaraderie, and fundamental volleyball skills among young athletes.



Mobile Tool Library March Modified Services

The month of March will have modified hours and services. To rent tools during this time, place a reservation at least 24 hours prior to the 1st or 3rd Saturday. This can be done through your online MyTurn account, email, or phone. Email us at mobiletoollib@ci.richmond.ca.us or call (510) 672-3877.

Return services will be unaffected.

Visit us at 1401 Fred Jackson Way on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of February! Our modified hours will be 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

We hope to work with you soon!

If you would like to know more about our service or view our inventory online visit our website at richmondmobiletoollibrary.myturn.com

Stay updated on the North Richmond Mobile Tool Library:

- Subscribe to our e-newsletter!
- Follow us on Facebook



The North Richmond Mobile Tool Library is now Hiring

The North Richmond Mobile Tool Library is looking for someone skilled and versatile to join our team! Help lead the Mobile Tool Library's community engagement efforts, as well as supply the community with tool rentals for their home and community projects.

This position is funded by the North Richmond Mitigation Fee Fund, \$21.89 - \$26.59 hourly rate. Interested individuals are encouraged to apply using the link in our bio!

If you have any questions about the position, email us at mobiletoollib@ci.richmond.ca.us or call (510) 672-3877. Jointly funded by City of Richmond & Contra Costa County

#nowhiring #Richmond #CA #community



Recap: Recreation Community Clean-Up

On Saturday, February 24th, Community Services, Parks & Landscaping Division, #RichmondLoveYourBlock, and @richmondtoolibrary hosted a community clean-up at the Richmond Recreation Complex! More than 40 participants removed litter and weeds, painted the building walls, installed weed fabric, and spread truckloads of mulch.

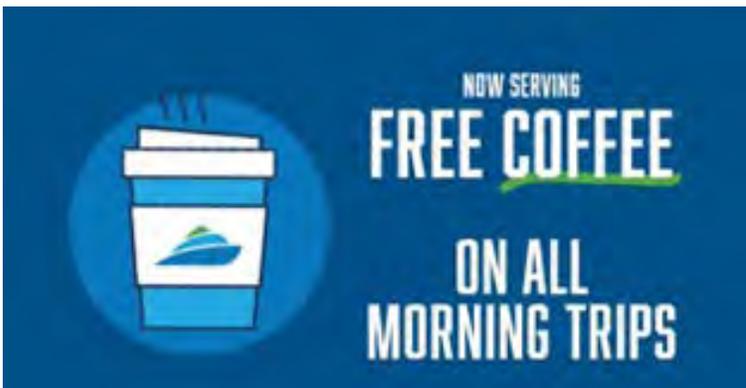


Transportation

Free Coffee on the Ferry! Drive Less and Make a Difference!

Free coffee is now available on ALL weekday morning ferry trips.

511 Contra Costa can provide a \$25 Clipper Card if you pledge to try transit as an alternative to a drive-alone commute. You can also receive a \$25 gift card incentive if you pledge to make the change to drive less for your commute. Learn more and check out the incentives at <https://511contracosta.org/incentives/>





Economic Development

Arts & Culture

Pre-College Art Experience Program

Unlock your artistic potential with the Pre-College Art Experience Program (PCAE) from The Academy of Art University! High school students, seize the opportunity to explore exciting courses at no cost, connect with fellow creative minds, and boost your resume and portfolio. The application is free, and scholarship funds extend to future undergraduate programs at the esteemed Academy of Art University. Dive into a world of creativity and shape your artistic journey! For more information and to apply visit <https://www.academyart.edu/art-degree/pre-college-art-design-experience/> or call (415) 618-8203



WHAT IS THE PRE-COLLEGE ART EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (PCAE)?

The PCAE is a scholarship based program for current high school students to take tuition free courses both online and onsite. For each class a student passes, they will receive a \$1,000 toward undergraduate studies at Academy of Art University, up to a maximum of \$4,000.

BENEFITS:

- Explore fun and creative courses at no tuition charge.
- Meet other creative students and future artists.
- Enhance your resume and portfolio
- Scholarship funds apply to undergraduate programs at Academy of Art University.

COSTS:

- Tuition and Application Fee - No charge granted by Academy of Art University
- Supplies & Course Fees - Varies per class, list available upon request.
- Housing and meal plan (onsite Summer semester only) - please inquire for cost details.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be currently enrolled as a high school student.
- Eligibility ends once you graduate from high school.
- Complete a phone appointment with parent/guardian and an Academy of Art Pre-Admissions Advisor.

CONTACT US TO ENROLL!

Pre-Admissions Department
preadmissions@academyart.edu
415.618.8203

To learn more visit us online:
[academyart.edu/academics/pre-college-art-experience-program](https://www.academyart.edu/academics/pre-college-art-experience-program)

To apply, scan the code below:



Business Development

East Bay SBDC presents Raising Capital for Small Business Workshops & Capital Summit

East Bay SBDC presents a series of workshops to assist businesses to know how to finance/raise capital for your business. Our advisors are available to assist businesses with different types of financing. Capital Summit provides a special networking opportunity for businesses to meet lenders in person.

Check out the workshops below and register for the ones you are interested in separately! Click here for more information.

<https://www.eastbaysbdc.org/raising-capital-for-small-business-workshops/>

The screenshot displays the East Bay SBDC website for the 'Raising Capital for Small Business Workshops & Capital Summit' event, held from February 7 to April 25, 2024. The page lists several workshops:

- 1. Financing for Start-up and Early-Stage Entrepreneurs** (Feb 7, 10am-12pm)
- 2. Bank Financing for Small Business (pre-startup) - Part 1** (Feb 14, 10am-12pm)
- 3. Bank Financing for Small Business (pre-startup) - Part 2** (Feb 21, 10am-12pm)
- 4. Equity Financing - Angel and Venture Capital Investments** (Feb 28, 10am-12pm)
- 5. How to Sell Crowdfunding to Raise Capital for Small Business** (Mar 7, 10am-12pm)
- 6. SBA Financing for Start-up or Business Purchase** (Mar 14, 10am-12pm)
- 7. Exit Planning for Business Owners** (Mar 21, 10am-12pm)
- 8. Navigating SBA/STB Funding Opportunities** (Mar 28, 10am-12pm)

The Capital Summit is scheduled for April 25, 10am-12pm, at the East Bay Center for Entrepreneurship. The website also includes contact information for the SBDC and a QR code for registration.



Internal Services

Human Resources

City of Richmond – Job Opportunities

Discover your purpose with us at the City of Richmond. Explore our current job openings and detailed job descriptions at <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/richmondca>



Public Safety

Fire

Spring 2024 CERT Training

Date: Thursdays (beginning March 28th)

Time: 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Location: Richmond Fire Training Center

The Richmond Fire Department invites local residents to register for the upcoming Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training sessions. Classes will take place on Thursday evenings beginning March 28th until May 23rd, with a final drill and graduation on Saturday, May 25th.

Support your neighbors and community by learning basic skills in fire safety, medical assessment, light search & rescue, and more.

For questions or to register, email certrichmond@gmail.com.





Information Technology

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WHY DOES IT TAKE SO LONG TO COUNT THE VOTES?

Counting votes includes more than just scanning ballots and tallying results.

The roadmap below shows what happens from the time polls close until the election is certified in the Bay Area.

Did you know?
All processes are open to the public for observation

- 1** Secret Official Results contain 30 percent ballots - VBM ballots prior to election night
- 2** Canvass begins, the thorough process ensuring integrity of elections. In California, counties have 28 days to complete the canvass and certify the election.
- 3** Vote By Mail Ballots properly postmarked by 8 pm on Election Day, accepted for 7 calendar days.
- 4** Ballot Processing: Signature Checking, Duplication of Damaged Ballots, Scanner Preparation
- 5** Cure Letters: For signature challenges received until 2 days prior to election certification.
- 6** Provisional Ballots and same day registration
- 7** Ballots received from other counties - up to 15 days after Election Day
- 8** Recount Reconciliation: Ensuring voters only voted once.
- 9** 1% Manual Tally and verification that the ballot count is accurate

Certification of Election

Did you know?

Voters can track their Vote By Mail Ballots through the entire process with BallotTrax?

To learn more, scan this QR code or visit california.ballottrax.net/voter

Bay Area Votes
Coalition of Bay Area Election Officials
bayareavotes.org

I VOTED

- 1.** Voters return their Vote By Mail Ballot
- 2.** All received Vote By Mail Ballots are sorted to ensure that they are for the appropriate election.
- 3.** All Vote By Mail Ballots go through signature verification. Voters are notified by mail if their signature cannot be verified.
- 4.** All challenged Vote By Mail Ballots are sorted out for further review.
- 5.** Accepted Vote By Mail Ballots are sent to processing where they are prepared for counting.

HOW DO I KNOW MY VOTE WAS COUNTED?

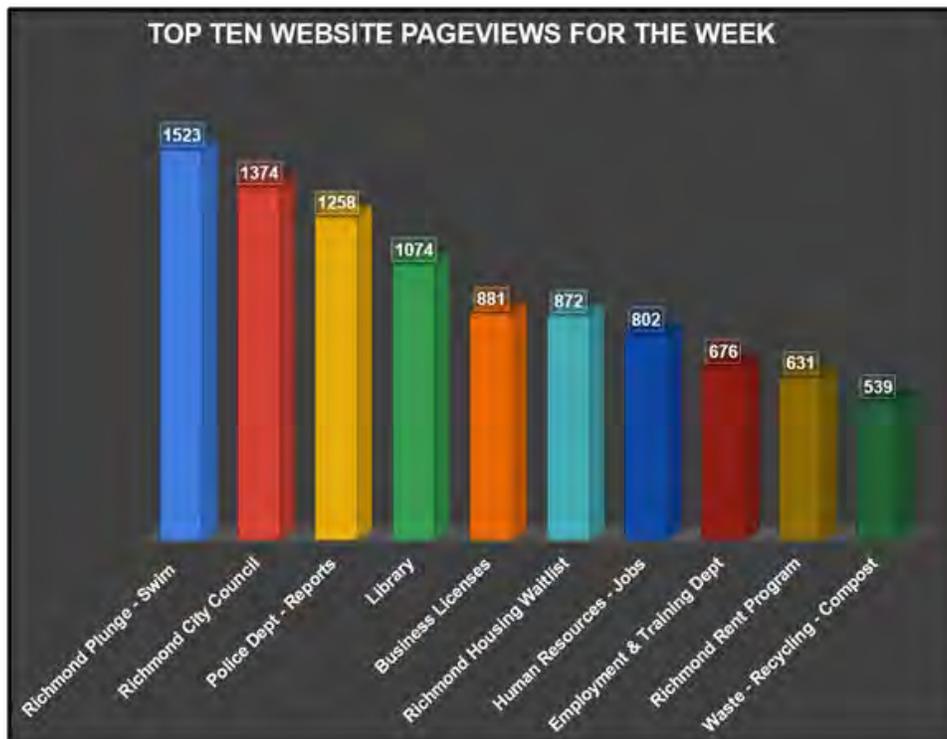
Registered voters can drop off their voted ballots:

- In the mail
- In a drop box
- In person
 - At a vote center
 - At a polling place
 - At the Elections Office

Vote by mail return envelopes contain a unique ID to help with signature verification and ensure voters only vote once.

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Top Ten Website Pageviews For The Week



Programming

New "NewsBytes" and Regular Series Episodes:

- New episodes of "The Jet Set," "Best of California," "Creature Features," "Smart Movie Show," and "Sidewalks Entertainment."

Some "NewsBytes" Segments or Specials Currently On-Air:

- MLK Day
- "Enough is Enough" event.
- Mayor's State of the City Address
- Christmas Tree Lighting
- Sidewalk Food Vendor Workshop

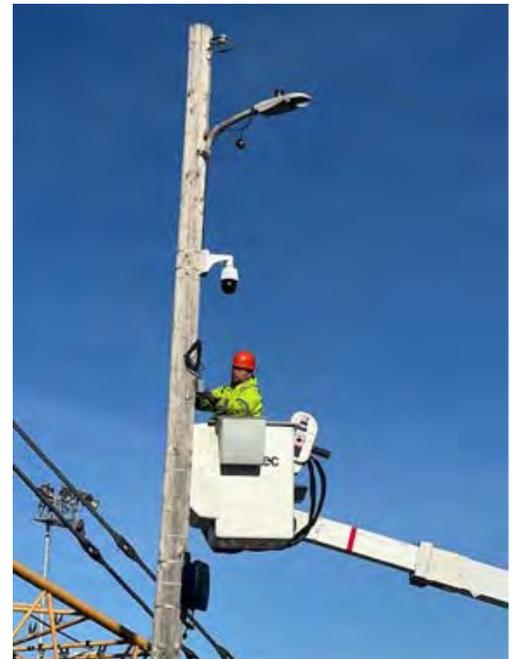
You may find the full schedule at <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/3176/Schedule>



Public Works

Building Maintenance

Electric Shop crews repaired and reinstalled a new traffic signal indication that was knocked off the street light pole at Barrett Ave. and Harbour Way S.



Electricians also connected a new camera

Stationary Engineers performed daily pool inspections and maintenance and performed daily inspections of the boiler's, circulating pumps, and sump pumps at the Civic Center Plaza; Repaired the dishwasher at Fire Station 66, repaired and replaced the water supply plumbing in the chase room to both restrooms at Nicholl Park, repaired a dryer at Fire Station 63, and repaired the chlorine line from the tank to the pump at the Plunge; and Installed a sit and stand ergo in the Fire Admin Department of 440 Community Service Building.



Plumbing repair at Nicholl Park

Building Maintenance Workers cleaned and removed debris from inside and outer areas of 440 and 450 Civic Center Plaza. The Building Maintenance Division is responsible for power washing all common areas and removal of trash within close proximity of facilities that are open to the general public, including all common areas and providing maintenance services for 27 City-owned buildings.



Scrubbing and power washing walkway of 440 Civic Center Plaza with assistance from Youth Works

Santa Rita Road Stabilization Project Update:

On the week of February 19, 2024, all piles have been installed. Northwest Construction crew is continuing to work on installing the wooden lagging, filter fabric, drain piping, and backfilling behind the wall. Preparation of installing tiebacks for additional retaining wall has commenced with a submittal for City review. The project team continues to monitor the state of the site conditions and adjacent terrain. Rock rip rap is scheduled and planned to be installed at the base of the work area to mitigate further runoff.



Bonita Court Hillside Update:

The Engineering Construction Inspector performed field inspection for public right-of-way. The homeowner at 6301 Bonita Ct. hired contractor Concretum Operis INC. to fix their hill slide on Bonita C. The contractor drilled holes for the footing, placed the rebar cage, and set the rebar for the first section of the new retaining wall.



Street Maintenance

The Pavement Maintenance crew performed routine storm patrol to surface clean drains and alleviate flooding throughout the city, made and delivered sandbags, performed hot mix patches on Regatta Blvd and on 36th Street, and worked from the outstanding pothole/hot mix list.



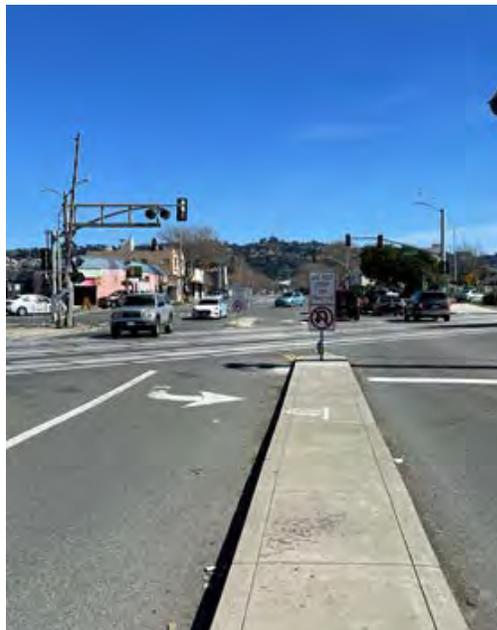
Hot mix patches on Regatta Blvd.

Street sweeping crews swept the following neighborhood council areas on the fourth Monday through Wednesday, fifth Thursday, and first Friday in: Santa Fe, Point Richmond, Marina Bay, & Coronado, Metro Richmore Village, Pullman, Cortez/Stege, Park Plaza, Laurel Park, & City Center, May Valley, Vista View, & Clinton Hill I, and Richmond Parkway.



Swept Richmond Parkway & Richmond Annex

Traffic Signs and Lines crews replaced faded street name signs on San Pablo Ave., repaired damaged signs on Cutting Blvd. at Carlson Blvd., replaced faded Stop signs on Blume Dr. and on Regatta Blvd., delivered sandbags to select citizens, and made several repairs to signs throughout the city.



Repaired damaged signs on Cutting Blvd.

The Streets Maintenance Division will provide two self-fill sandbag stations. One located at 10 Harbour Way at the back gate to the Corp Yard, the second located in the parking lot to the Bayview Library located at 5100 Hartnett Ave. Seniors or disabled citizens can call (510) 231-3011 for assistance with delivery. Sandbags are limited to 10 bags per person.



Sandbag fill location at 10 Harbour Way



Sandbag fill location at 5100 Hartnett Ave

Park Maintenance

Marina District crews performed lawn edging throughout all parks and also began to cut overgrown tree wells in Marina Bay Park. The crew also manually pulled weeds from the landscaped area and removed deteriorating plants near the crosswalk, picked up litter and trash from all parking lots and lawn areas, emptied all trash receptacles, and hauled away. The crews cut tall weeds from the fence line next to the Homeowner Association (HOA) starting from Marina Bay Park to T lot, removed barbecue coals and ashes from all pits throughout Marina, and pruned and trimmed roses at the Rosie the Riveter Memorial Garden.



Rosie The Riveter Memorial Garden

Hilltop District crews performed weed abatement on Garrity Way, Blume Drive, and Hillview Drive. They also removed debris on Garrity Way and Hilltop Drive, and mowed turf at Country Club Park and Bay Vista Park.



Weed abatement on Blume Drive

Abatement

Abatement crews, in collaboration with Republic Services and Sims Metal, participated in the Parchester Village Neighborhood Clean-Up. Crews assisted 16 seniors and disabled citizens from the neighborhood, collected ten dumpsters of debris and one dumpster of metal, cleared out weeds from sidewalks, abated illegally dumped debris throughout the city, and removed graffiti from various locations.



Parchester Village Neighborhood Clean-up



Weeds/Sidewalks Abatement



Illegal Dumping & Graffiti Removal

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!
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