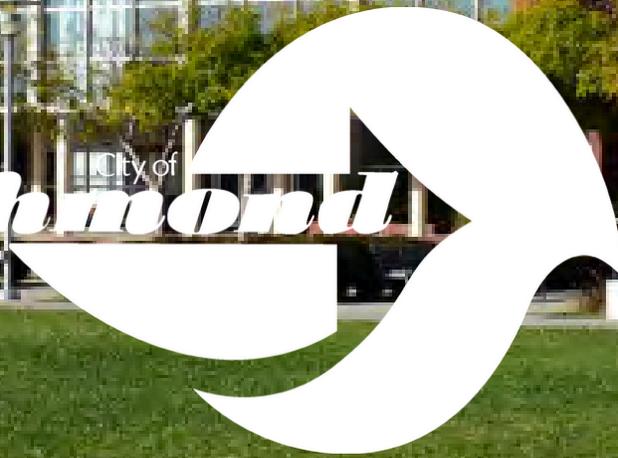


# CITY MANAGER'S Weekly

R E P O R T

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

City of  
*Richmond*



Stay informed of Richmond's latest developments! Explore the City Manager's Weekly Report, to provide an overview of recent City activities. Delivered weekly, this collaborative effort between City departments and the City Manager ensures you're up-to-date with community-centric updates.

Your feedback is invaluable as we strive to refine and improve our communication with you. Please email [weeklyreport@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:weeklyreport@ci.richmond.ca.us) or call (510) 620-6512 to provide your feedback!!

**To view the entire report, keep scrolling**

# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

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## Upcoming City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2025. Closed Session begins at 5:00 PM, followed by the Regular Meeting of the Richmond City Council at 6:30 PM. The agenda may be found by clicking on the following link: <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4157/City-of-Richmond-Council-Meetings>



## Upcoming Events

### Fiestas Patrias Parade

**Date: September 13, 2025**

**Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Location: Parade begins at 24<sup>th</sup> Street & Barrett Avenue**

The Fiestas Patrias Parade celebrates our immigrant community and their contributions to strengthening our shared future. Join us for a vibrant cultural event filled with music, tradition, and unity, as we honor the spirit of our community and its lasting impact.

The parade will begin on 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Barrett Avenue, and end at Church Lane and San Pablo Avenue.

For additional information contact [cincodemayo@gmail.com](mailto:cincodemayo@gmail.com)

### Official Native Tree Survey

**Survey Closes: September 22, 2025**

The City of Richmond is selecting its first official native tree, and you get to help decide! The Richmond City Council approved a community survey to make sure residents have a say in choosing a tree that will represent the City for generations to come.

Take the survey to cast your vote!  
<https://forms.gle/5ASRGGHTKCHsGmk46>

The options were carefully recommended by the Urban Forest Advisory Committee (UFAC)—a group of Richmond residents dedicated to protecting and growing our urban forest. These trees were chosen for their beauty, resilience, and importance to pollinators, wildlife, and our community. Once the tree is chosen, it will be celebrated with a special space at Civic Center Plaza.

Which tree will YOU choose as Richmond’s official native tree?



### Vote for the City of Richmond's Official Native Tree!



**California Buckeye (*Aesculus californica*)**  
Photo provided by: Grassroots Ecology - Stanley Gu



**Coast Live Oak (*Quercus agrifolia*)**  
Photo provided by: Colscope - California Native Plant Society



**Ray Hartman Ceanothus (*Ceanothus 'Ray Hartman'*)**  
Photo provided by: Las Pintas Nursery



**Hollyleaf Cherry (*Prunus ilicifolia* ssp. *ilicifolia*)**  
Photo provided by: Cjoi Trees



**SURVEY LINK HERE:**  
<https://forms.gle/5ASRGGHTKCHsGmk46>

Final Submission: Monday, September 22, 2025 at 4PM PST





## City Manager's Chronicles

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

- Participated in the California Public Employee Retirement System (CalPERS) webinar
- Attended the Health and Wellness Fair, hosted and coordinated by our Human Resources department. Thank you to each Human Resources staff member for coordinating and successfully executing this year's Health & Wellness Fair!
- Along with Executive Assistant Irene Lozano, met with Gabriel Sandoval from the Office of State Senator Jesse Arreguín
- Reviewed, edited and approved staff for the September 16 City Council meeting
- This week, Chief of Police Bisa French announced her plans to retire, effective January 16, 2026. I am deeply grateful for her more than two decades of service and her historic and lasting contributions to public safety in Richmond.

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

### Coastal Clean-up with Groundwork Richmond

**Date: September 20, 2025**

**Time: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Location: Lucretia Edwards Shoreline Park  
1500 Marina Way S.**

Join Groundwork Richmond for Coastal Cleanup Day! We'll pick up trash and restore the shoreline to keep our waterfront clean, healthy, and beautiful. Come connect with your community, protect the environment, and make an impact. Every helping hand counts, let's care for Richmond's coast together!

For more information, contact [Info@groundworkrichmond.org](mailto:Info@groundworkrichmond.org)



## City Council

## Mayor's Office

### Join Richmond's Future: Serve on a City Board or Commission!

Become a leader in Richmond! We're seeking residents to serve on boards, commissions, and committees—shaping arts, history, youth, and economic growth. Find your fit, make your mark, and help guide our City's future. Apply online: [Boards and Commissions | Richmond, CA.](https://boardsandcommissions.ci.richmond.ca.us)

Questions?

[mayorsoffice@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:mayorsoffice@ci.richmond.ca.us)

510-620-6503





## City Clerk

# New 2026 Mayor and City Council Election Information

The next primary municipal election will be held June 2, 2026, to fill the Office of Mayor and the City Council seats for Districts 2, 3, and 4. The nomination period runs from February 9, 2026, through, March 6, 2026, at 5:00 PM. Nomination papers will only be issued during the nomination period via appointment with the City Clerk's Office.

Click below for more information:

<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4771/ELECTION-2026>

### SUMMARY OF NEW INFORMATION REGARDING THE JUNE 2, 2026, PRIMARY AND NOVEMBER 3, 2026, GENERAL ELECTION

\*\*\* REGISTER TO VOTE HERE!!\*\*\*

<https://registertovote.ca.gov/>

The last day to register to vote for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election is  
May 18, 2026

The last day to register to vote for the November 3, 2026, General Election is  
October 19, 2026

The next primary municipal election will be held June 2, 2026, to fill the office of mayor and the following seats for: **Districts 2, 3, and 4** on the City Council. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at the primary municipal election for the office of Mayor, or for a seat on the City Council within their district, shall be candidates for the general municipal election on November 3, 2026, and only their names shall be printed upon the ballot to be used in the general municipal election. Any candidate who, in the primary municipal election, shall receive a majority of the total votes cast for candidates for said office shall be elected to such office and no further election for such office shall be held at the next general municipal election. City Clerk Pamela Christian is the Election Official and will assist you throughout the election process. **THE NOMINATION PERIOD IS FEBRUARY 9 THROUGH MARCH 6 AT 5:00 P.M. NOMINATION PAPERS WILL ONLY BE ISSUED DURING THE NOMINATION PERIOD!!**

#### TO PREPARE NOW:

- File [EPPC Form 501 Candidate Intention Statement](#) with the City Clerk before receiving contributions or spending your own funds. (Blank forms are available at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov) and [Campaign Disclosure Manual 2](#) gives detailed instructions for completing Form 501.)
- File [EPPC Form 410 Statement of Organization](#) with the Secretary of State along with a filing fee of \$50.00, made payable to the Secretary of State, within 10 days of receiving \$2,000 in contributions. File a copy of the form 410 with the city clerk. (Forms are available at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov) and [Campaign Disclosure Manual 2](#) gives detailed instructions for completing Form 410).

- The City Clerk will issue Nomination Papers and Candidate Packets during the nomination period ONLY which is February 9 through March 6 at 5:00 p.m. **The filing deadline will be extended to Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 5:00 p.m. if an incumbent does not file (FOR NON-INCUMBENTS ONLY). Individuals interested in running for office will be required to make an appointment.** The appointment is approximately 30 minutes. **The Clerk's Office will begin accepting calls for appointments on Monday, February 2, 2026 - call (510) 620-6513 to make an appointment.** Those interested in becoming a candidate for mayor must be a registered voter in the City of Richmond at the time Nomination Papers are issued. Those interested in running for a councilmember district seat must be registered voters residing in District 2, District 3, or District 4 at the time the Nomination Papers are issued.

#### NEW FILING FEES

- A filing fee of \$1,674 will be required to run for mayor. A filing fee of \$605.88 will be required to run for councilmember. The required filing fee must be made payable to the City of Richmond at the time the Nomination Papers are filed with the City Clerk. The fee covers the cost for duplicating the packet and processing Nomination Papers.
- Per the City of Richmond Charter (Article V, Sec.2. "A filing fee in the amount of two percent (2%) of the annual salary of the office to which nomination is sought shall be paid to the Clerk at the time of filing the petition for nomination."
- Effective January 21, 2025, by [Ordinance No. 04-25 N.S.](#) the annual salary for mayor is \$83,700
- Effective January 21, 2025, by [Ordinance No. 03-25 N.S.](#) the annual salary for a councilmember is \$30,294
  - An additional fee, determined by the County, will be applied should a candidate wish to file a candidate statement

#### NEW REQUIRED NUMBER OF SIGNATURES TO QUALIFY FOR MAYOR

- Nomination papers hold 10 signatures per form. The seat for mayor will require not less than 30 nor more than 40 registered voters residing in the City of Richmond. A council district seat will require not less than 20 nor more than 30 registered voters residing in the district to which you seek office to sign your Nomination Paper.

MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THE 2026 ELECTIONS MAYBE FOUND AT: [ELECTION 2026 | Richmond, CA - Official Website](#) - INFORMATION IS CONTINUOUSLY UPDATED



## Community Services

### Free Employment & Training for Student Veterans

Swords to Plowshares is offering free employment and training services for Student Veterans. If you are interested in applying, please call (510) 844-7500 or email [jobsforvets@stp-sf.org](mailto:jobsforvets@stp-sf.org) for more information.

## Employment & Training

Free employment and training services for **Student Vets**

Work one-on-one with us to address your individual employment needs, overcome obstacles during your job search, and determine your long-term career plans.

**Our services**

- Career goal planning & mentorship
- Military-to-civilian resume & cover letter translation
- Job application assistance
- Interview coaching
- LinkedIn profile setup

**Our resources**

- Employer connections that match your career pathway
- Covered cost of eligible short-term, certificate-based trainings
- Transportation, travel vouchers, clothes and uniforms, tools, and other work-related supplies
- Other general services to ensure job readiness

**Ready to apply?**  
Visit our website or contact us

[words-to-plowshares@jobsforvets.org](mailto:words-to-plowshares@jobsforvets.org)  
[jobsforvets@stp-sf.org](mailto:jobsforvets@stp-sf.org)  
 (510) 844-7500  
[@jobsforvets](https://www.instagram.com/jobsforvets)

## Library & Literacy

### History Rhymes: Longshoremen, Communists & Vigilantes!

**Date: September 17, 2025**

**Time: 6:30 PM**

**Location: West Side Branch Library  
135 Washington Avenue**

There were very few years in Bay Area history like 1934, with a Great Depression, a West Coast General Strike, Communist agitation on Macdonald Avenue, and vigilantes trashing Richmond homes in search of subversives. Hear more about this turbulent year in Richmond! Call (510) 620-6567 for more information.

RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS

**HISTORY RHYMES**

Richmond History Lectures with Jim Davis

Wednesday, September 17, 6:30 PM  
Longshoremen's Strike, Communists, & Vigilantes

Harry Bridges  
Union leader

Violet Orr  
Richmond Communist

There were very few years in Bay Area history like 1934, with a Great Depression, a West Coast General Strike, Communist agitation on Macdonald Avenue. Hear more about this turbulent year in Richmond!

Speaker Jim Davis, born in Richmond, now holds a Ph.D. in Comparative History from Brandeis University. Jim is on the Board of Richmond Museum Association and continues to do research and present new topics with the Point Richmond History Association and from the Blaine National Historical Park.

West Side Branch  
135 Washington Ave.  
(510) 620-6567

Richmond Public Library  
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# Psychology of Forgiveness Workshop

**Date: September 20, 2025**

**Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

**Location: West Side Branch Library  
135 Washington Avenue**

Join Dr. Peter H. Coster for a workshop exploring the psychology of forgiveness on Saturday, September 20. Workshop includes presentation, discussion, breakout groups, and lunch. Register now to participate: <https://loom.ly/56e-o4s> Call (510) 620-6567 for more information.

Richmond Public Library Presents:  
**Free Mental Health Workshop**  
**PSYCHOLOGY OF FORGIVENESS**  
*The Journey Beyond Resentment to Healing*  
**September 20, 2025 | 10AM-3PM**  
West Side Branch Library  
135 Washington Ave  
(510) 620-6567

Forgiveness has long been seen as central to living a good life. Yet for many, it remains a difficult challenge: something we "should do" without having a clear understanding of how or why.

Scientific studies support the benefits to our psychological and emotional well-being of practicing forgiveness. Holding onto hurt, anger, and resentments cause us much unnecessary suffering. In this workshop we will explore:

- What forgiveness is and what it isn't.
- Why forgiveness is a necessary part of being human.
- The process of forgiveness.
- Obstacles we encounter in each stage of forgiveness.
- How forgiveness instills deep and lasting changes in one's life and one's basic beliefs about the world.

Workshop Includes Presentation, Discussion, Breakout Groups, Lunch

**Presenter Peter H. Coster, PhD, MDiv., LMFT**  
Dr. Coster has been a practicing psychotherapist for close to 40 years. He is a writer and Executive Director for the Center for Psychotherapy, Spirituality & Creativity. He divides his time between Sonoma and Putner Valley where he lives with his wife Jack.

Register Now to Reserve A Space:  
Scan QR code or  
call or text Jean (510) 734-3942

Richmond Public Library  
and friends

Funded by a grant received by Richmond First United Methodist Church

## Recreation

# 3rd Annual Senior Safety Summit

**Date: September 25, 2025**

**Time: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Location: Richmond Memorial Auditorium  
403 Civic Center Plaza**

Join us for the 3rd Annual Senior Safety Summit on September 25, 2025, at Richmond Auditorium. Discover vital home support services, hear from expert speakers, and connect with community partners dedicated to senior well-being. Presented by Richmond Commission on Aging and Community Services Division—empowering seniors through safety, support, and connection.

**3RD ANNUAL SENIOR SAFETY SUMMIT**  
providing Home Support Services for Seniors

Presented by RICHMOND COMMISSION ON AGING  
and the City of Richmond's Community Services Division

Thursday, September 25, 2025  
1:30 PM to 3:30 PM  
(doors open 1:00 PM)

**RICHMOND AUDITORIUM, LOBBY**  
403 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA

**GUEST SPEAKERS**  
CJL Gene de Vries, Executive  
Catherine Osofsky,  
Adult Protective Services

For more information, you can call the CSO Registration Office at 510-620-6793

## Elevate After School Program

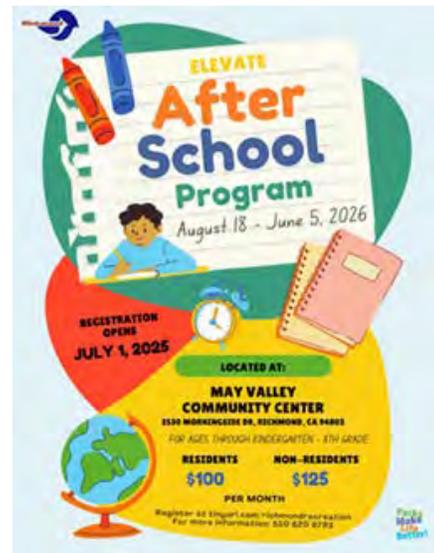
**Session 1: Monday - Friday, August 18 - December 19, 2025**

**Time: 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**Locations: May Valley Community Center  
3530 Morningside Drive**

Join us for our Elevate After School Program! Designed to inspire and support youth, Elevate offers enriching activities, homework assistance, and opportunities for personal growth. Participants enjoy hands-on projects, team-building games, and creative expression in a positive and safe environment. Don't miss out and elevate your after-school experience with us!

To apply, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation> or call (510)620-6793 for more information.



## Achieve After School Program

**Session 1: Monday - Friday, August 18 - December 19, 2025**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**Community Centers: Nevin: 598 Nevin Avenue  
Parchester: 900 Williams Drive  
Shields Reid: 1410 Kelsey Street**

Join us for our Achieve After School Program! Youth will enjoy fun, engaging activities like arts, games, and sports in a safe and supportive environment. Our program encourages learning, creativity, and friendship while providing homework help and enrichment. Sign-up today and be part of the excitement after school!

To apply, visit <https://tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation> or call (510)620-6793 for more information.



## Growing Tool-Gether : A Day with the Tool Library

**Date: October 3, 2025**

**Time: 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Location: Richmond Recreation Complex  
3230 Macdonald Avenue**

The Richmond Tool Library is celebrating expanded hours! Starting October 3, we'll be open Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:00 PM-5:00 PM. Join us for a day of fun with a morning clean-up at the Recreation Complex and an afternoon workshop where participants can customize their own cotton t-shirt.



## Hours of Operation: City of Richmond Electric Bikeshare Program

We're updating our hours to 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM weekdays and 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM weekends to better serve you! Look out for new safety features to protect bikes and riders. These changes help keep our program strong and reliable for the community. Questions? Reach out to Salma, our Community Manager, at [Salma@ridetoday.io](mailto:Salma@ridetoday.io)

**NEW BIKE HOURS OF OPERATION**

Look out for new safety features to protect bikes and riders. These changes help keep our program strong and reliable for the community!

**MONDAY-FRIDAY**  
8:00 AM- 6:00 PM

**SATURDAY-SUNDAY**  
12:00 PM- 6:00pm

Questions? Speak with our Community Manager [Salma@ridetoday.io](mailto:Salma@ridetoday.io)

The poster features a silhouette of a person riding a bicycle and the 'today' logo.

## Richmond Moves is available City-Wide!

In May 2025, City Council approved the expansion of Richmond's on-demand shuttle to service the entire City! Book shared rides with Richmond Moves right from your phone.

We'll pick you up and get you anywhere within the Richmond City limits. Book 20 minutes before you're ready to go for the best experience with others using the service.

Service hours are between 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM. To learn more and/or book a ride, please visit [city.ridewithvia.com/richmond-moves](http://city.ridewithvia.com/richmond-moves) or call (510)937-3657.

You can go anywhere within the zone, including these popular destinations.

**Popular destinations:**

- 1 Point Pinole Regional Park
- 2 Walmart
- 3 Vista High School
- 4 Wildcat Canyon Regional Park
- 5 De Anza High School
- 6 Richmond High School
- 7 Kaiser Permanente Richmond Medical Center
- 8 Civic Center Plaza
- 9 Marina Bay

**Transit Hubs:**

- A Richmond BART Station
- B El Cerrito del Norte BART
- C Richmond Ferry Terminal

The map shows the city of Richmond with various locations marked with numbers 1-9 and letters A-C. A green callout box states: 'You can go anywhere within the zone, including these popular destinations.'



## Economic Development

## Arts & Culture

### Made in Richmond Exhibition

**Exhibition Closes: September 30, 2025**

**Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Location: Richmond Art Center Main Gallery  
2540 Barrett Avenue**

A highlight in Richmond’s arts calendar is the opening reception for "Made in Richmond," the Richmond Open Studios preview exhibition scheduled July 9, 2025, through September 30, 2025, at the Richmond Arts Center. The event will showcase 80 visual artists from Richmond, reflecting the diversity of backgrounds, expertise and creativity we have come to associate with Richmond’s visual art scene.



### Neighborhood (NPA) Mini-Grant FY25–26

**Application Closes: October 17, 2025**

The City of Richmond invites artists, organizations, and community members to apply for NPA Mini-Grants to support arts and cultural enrichment activities.

Workshops (Mandatory):

- Wednesday, September 17, 2025 | 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (Zoom)
- Wednesday, October 1, 2025 | 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM (In-person)

Application Deadline: Friday, October 17, 2025

Grant Amounts: \$7,500 – \$15,000 per grant

Application: <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/76555/RACC-NPA-Mini-Grant-RFP-Guideline-and-Application-FY25-26>



## On Demand Enhanced Business Services and Solutions

**Location: Cobiz Richmond**  
**1503 Macdonald Avenue**

We're excited to invite Richmond Small Businesses for the September events under the City's On-Demand Enhanced Business Services and Solutions, in partnership with CoBiz Richmond. These free events are tailored to help small businesses strengthen their operations, expand their knowledge, and access practical tools for growth.

To know more, visit  
<https://www.cobizrichmond.com/wrap-around-services-for-entrepreneurs.html>

**WRAP AROUND BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICES**  
FORMAL NAME: ON-DEMAND ENHANCED BUSINESS SERVICES AND SOLUTIONS  
This is an on-going City-led and supported program in partnership with Cobiz targeted to support Small Businesses in the City.

**SEPTEMBER 2025 EVENTS**

- Monday, Sept. 8 (IN PERSON)**  
How to Make Money From Intellectual Property  
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/1508378605669](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/1508378605669)
- Monday, Sept. 8 (IN PERSON)**  
Digital First Impressions  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/1588178805560](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/1588178805560)
- Monday, Sept. 15 (VIRTUAL)**  
The Square Ecosystem:  
Powering All The Ways You Do Business  
8:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/the-square-ecosystem-powering-all-the-ways-you-do-business-tickets-1607446909978](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-square-ecosystem-powering-all-the-ways-you-do-business-tickets-1607446909978)
- Wednesday, Sept. 17 (VIRTUAL)**  
The Grant Readiness Framework  
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
[www.eventbrite.com/e/the-grant-readiness-framework-tickets-16074562639987](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-grant-readiness-framework-tickets-16074562639987)  
atthodds@creator

FOR MORE INFO

## Recap: Hilltop Plaza Voices Mixer

The Hilltop Plaza Voices Mixer convened City leaders, business owners, and residents to envision the future of Hilltop Plaza. Mayor Martinez and the Richmond Chamber welcomed minority-owned developer Primestor, applauding its community-first approach. Primestor pledged initial upgrades and committed to incorporating community input into a long-term, inclusive redevelopment plan.





## 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.ci.richmond.ca.us/60/Human-Resources> and click on “Job Opportunities.”



# JOB OPPORTUNITIES

JOB TITLE	JOB TYPE	CLOSING
Administrative Student Intern	Part Time	Continuous
Communications Dispatcher I	Full Time	Continuous
Communications Dispatcher II	Full Time	Continuous
Community Ambassador	Part Time	Continuous
Contract Compliance Administrator	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Equipment Mechanic, Senior	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Lifeguard	Part Time	Continuous
Maintenance Aide II	Part Time	Continuous
Parks Supervisor	Full Time	Open Until Filled
Police Cadet	Part Time	Continuous
Police Officer Academy Grad (Direct)	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Lateral	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Trainee	Exempt	Continuous
Recreation Program Aide	Part Time	Continuous
Recreation Program Leader	Part Time	Continuous
Recreation Program Specialist	Part Time	Continuous
School Crossing Guard	Part Time	Continuous
Vocational Building Construction Instructor	Full Time	9/15/2025



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:  
[GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM/CAREERS/RICHMONDCA](https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/richmondca)



## Information Technology

### KCRT Datanet for the Week

### **FULL BIKE PATH CLOSURE**

**9/8 thru 9/19 - 8AM until 3PM - Weekdays Only**

Caltrans is scheduled to close the bike lane in the westbound direction of the **Richmond-San Rafael Bridge** (I-580) to perform Under Bridge Inspections (UBIT) and general maintenance.

Shuttle services will be provided at the Stenmark Drive Bridge entrance and at Vista Point in San Rafael for those impacted by the closure.



### **SPiRiT AND SOUL Festival**

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 20, 2025 • 11AM-5PM**  
MACDONALD AVENUE, RICHMOND, CA  
(BETWEEN HARBOUR WAY & 16TH STREET)

- LIVE MUSIC, BANDS, DJ, YOUTH PERFORMANCES
- YOUTH ZONE
- FOOD VENDORS & BEVERAGE PAVILION
- ARTISAN AND CRAFT VENDORS
- CLASSIC CAR SHOW
- HEALTH AND RESOURCES HUB
- ACTIVITIES & GAMES



## Programming

### New “NewsBytes” and Regular Series Episodes:

- New episodes of “Best of California,” “The Jet Set,” “White House Chronicle,” “California Bountiful,” “Baby Blue Arts,” “Creature Features,” and “Sidewalks Entertainment.”

### Some “NewsBytes” Segments or Specials Currently On-Air:

- Rosie The Riveter Rally and Festival
- Juneteenth Parade and Festival
- Juneteenth Flag Raising
- 2025 Finance Community Budget Meeting
- March 2025 Fire Department Badge Pinning Ceremony
- Tobacco Retail Regulations Workshop
- Police Commission on Parking Enforcement



## Public Works

## Abatement

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- In collaboration with Republic Services, and Sims Metal Recycling:
  - Hosted the Fairmede Hilltop Neighborhood Dumpster Day. Collected six (6) dumpsters of debris metal recycling, and assisted 44 seniors and disabled residents
- Responded to an after-hours property board-up request from Code Enforcement
- Abated:
  - A private vacant lot through a warrant from Code Enforcement
  - 42 tons of illegally dumped debris throughout the City, including 81 mattresses, 44 tires and approximately 35 gallons of oil/paint
  - Graffiti from various locations throughout the City
  - Closed out 40 community inquiries that were submitted through the City's iMS® system



Fairmede Hilltop Dumpster Day



Private Property Board-up



Private Lot Clean-up



Illegal Dumping and Graffiti abatement (before & after)

### Electrical Shop

Work completed this past week:

- Traffic:
  - Removed damaged traffic signal pole at Carlson Boulevard and Bayview Avenue
  - Repaired green arrow indication outage at Carlson Boulevard and Bayview Avenue
  - Repaired flashing traffic indications at Marina Way and Wright Avenue
  - Cleaned traffic flow camera at the intersection of Cutting Boulevard and Carlson Boulevard
- Buildings and Facilities:
  - Repaired lighting in the apparatus room in Fire Station 67
- Streetlighting:
  - Completed solar lighting installed on Castro Street and Pennsylvania Avenue
- Processed 133 request for Underground Utility Markings



Camera cleaned on Carlson Boulevard



Castro Street solar lighting



Pennsylvania Avenue overpass solar lighting



Fire Station 67 lighting repairs



Damaged traffic signal pole removed on Carlson Boulevard

## Facilities Maintenance

Crews performed the following routine tasks this week:

- Providing weekend cleaning coverage on a rotating schedule to support our 24/7 Communication Center and Police Department
- Routine cleaning and maintenance of all City-owned buildings

Work completed:

- Cleared a clogged toilet at the 440 Community Service Building
- Replaced light bulbs at the Main Police Station
- Performed pest control services at 450 City Hall
- Performed carpet spot cleaning at the May Valley Police Substation



Spot cleaning the carpet at the May Valley Police Substation

## Stationary Engineers

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- Daily:
  - Inspection and daily maintenance of:
    - Richmond Swim Center
    - Richmond Plunge
    - City Hall Civic Center:
      - Boilers
      - Circulating pumps
      - Sump pumps
- Repaired the rooftop heating and air conditioning unit at the Transit Building
- Replaced the faucet in the women's restroom at the Recreation Center
- Repaired the icemaker in the City Council Chamber at the 440 Community Services Building
- Installed a new freestanding range in the Carpenters Shop



Installing an oven in the Carpenters Shop

## Engineering & Capital Improvement Projects

### Permits and Land Development

#### Permits Completed:

- Encroachment Permit – 18
- Certificate of Compliance (Sewer Lateral) – 3
- Transportation – 4

#### Inspections Completed: 76 Total

- Initial – 28
- Asphalt – 12
- Concrete – 4
- Traffic Control – 22
- Final – 6
- Reinspection – 4
- Customers Served at Counter – 8

### Inspections in the Public Right-of-Way

Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) is replacing aging utility poles with new ones along the 200 block of South 12th Street and nearby streets within the Santa Fe Southside neighborhoods.



## 2025 City-wide Concrete Project

The City's contractor, C. Overaa & Co. is constructing four new Americans with Disabilities compliant curb ramps at the intersection of Visalia Avenue & 15<sup>th</sup> Street, next to Belding-Garcia Park and Chavez Elementary School. These upgrades are designed to improve walkability and enhance visibility for pedestrians using the crosswalks, supporting safer and more accessible routes for students, families, and the community.



Sidewalk closure at Visalia Avenue and 15<sup>th</sup> Street

## Revitalizing the Historic Richmond Main Library – Temporary Main Library Facility at the Auditorium

Renovations at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium to support the Temporary Main Library are nearly complete. The Richmond Main Library will temporarily relocate to the Richmond Memorial Auditorium while the Richmond Main Library undergoes renovation. The Temporary Main Library will open to the public in September. Opening date to be announced.



## Traffic Calming: South 37<sup>th</sup> Street and Wall Avenue Field Test with Richmond Fire Department

### Field Test Operations:

- New curb extension testing began on September 5, 2025
- Identified location for test – intersection of South 37<sup>th</sup> Street and Wall Avenue
- Set up orange traffic cones to show locations of curb extensions
- Partnered with Richmond Fire Department and drove the intersections at speed limit and at the speed they would drive during emergency situations using two (2) different sized vehicles

### Conclusions:

- Field test(s) confirmed new curb extensions were navigable by both trucks at various speeds
- Provided the Engineering Staff with information which will be very valuable for future planned traffic calming improvements
- Created teambuilding between the Engineering and Fire Department to collaborate on future traffic planning efforts to address potential safety issues.
- Identified construction on curb extensions will begin in October 2025

For more information on the traffic calming locations, please visit our website:

[18 Traffic Calming Locations Project](#)



## Wastewater Capital Improvement Projects:

- Fiscal Year 2025-26 Sanitary Sewer Grade 5 Line Replacement Program
  - This project will be posted for bids early Fall 2025.

## Parks Maintenance

### Hilltop District Maintenance Crew

- Removed trash in the Hilltop District area
- Mowed Vista del Mar Park
- Abated weeds on the San Pablo and Kay Road corner lots
- Abated weeds on the Robert Miller median by Chevron
- Abated weeds on Blume Drive median
- Abated weeds on Shane Drive Median
- Abated weeds on Hillview Drive Median
- Abated weeds on Research Drive Median



Hillview Drive (before and after)

### Marina Bay District Maintenance Crew

- Removed weeds on concrete cracks from the medians along Marina Way South, extending from Wright Street to Hall Ave
- Abated weeds by hand from the Marina Bay Park Guardians of Justice Rose Garden
- Began the installation of new landscaping on the medians of Marina Bay Parkway
- Pruned the excessive vegetation adjacent to the restrooms in Marina Bay Park
- Performed lawn mowing and edging services in the Marina Bay District
- Collected all litter from the parking lots, trash receptacles, and trails throughout the Marina Bay District and properly disposed of it
- Replaced all empty pet waste bags throughout the Marina Bay Parks and Trail



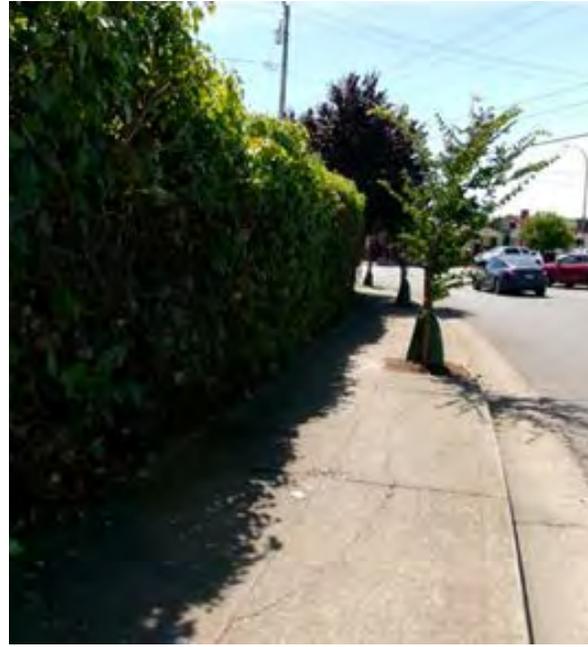
Guardians of Justice Rose Garden (before and after)

General Fund crews:

- Installed a new irrigation valve at Booker T. Anderson Park
- Abated weeds at Nevin Street
- Abated weeds at Bayview Station Library and Ells Pathway
- Abated weeds at Tiller Park
- Abated weeds at Humphrey Park
- Repaired irrigation breaks at John F. Kennedy Park
- Abated weeds by hand at Nunn Sound Wall
- Abated weeds on Cutting Avenue rights-of-way
- Abated weeds on 23rd Street for the upcoming parade
- Abated weeds on Macdonald Avenue I-80 underpass
- Trimmed Ivy at 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and Roosevelt Avenue for the sidewalk clearance
- Pruned trees on 3218 Rheem Avenue and 1181 Barrett Avenue



Weeds abated at Nunn Sound Wall (before and after)



Ivy trimmed at 22<sup>nd</sup> Street (before and after)

## Streets Maintenance

The Pavement Maintenance crew activities for the week:

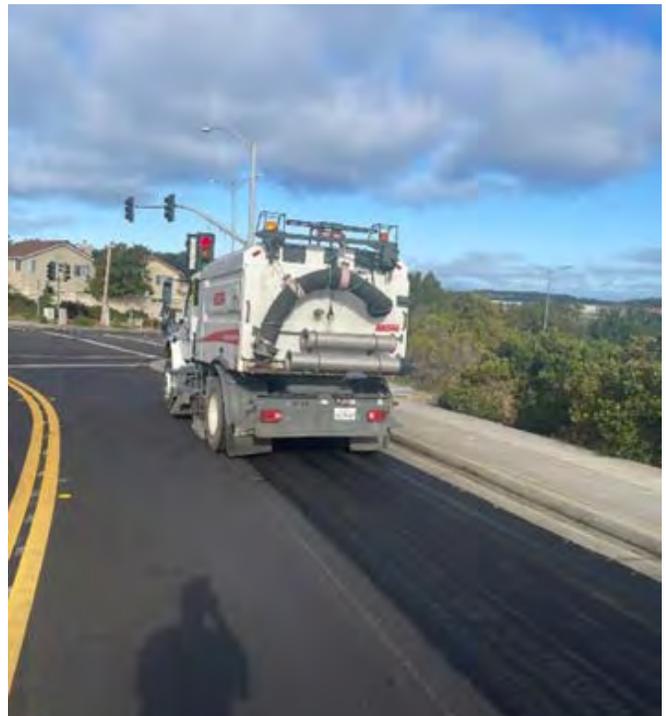
- Performed repairs on Castro Street
- Performed repairs on Nicholl Avenue
- Performed repairs on Santa Fe Avenue
- Performed repairs on West Richmond Avenue
- Performed repairs on Martina Street



Asphalt repairs on Nicholl Avenue and Castro Street

Street sweeping crews:

- Swept the following neighborhood council areas:
  - May Valley
  - Vista View
  - Country Club Vista
  - Clinton Hill I
  - Clinton Hill II
  - Clinton Hill III
  - Clinton Hill IV
  - Richmond Heights



Sweeping Clinton Hill II and Country Club Vista neighborhoods

Traffic Signs and Lines crews:

- New signs were installed on Overend Avenue
- Installed new striping on Castro Street
- Installed new striping and refreshed crosswalks on Hilltop Drive at Robert Miller Drive
- Installed new striping and signs on Atlas Road at Richmond Parkway
- Installed new red curb on Garvin Avenue at 32<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Repaired signs on Santa Fe Avenue at Pacific Avenue
- Installed new stop sign, striping, and red curb on Santa Clara Street at Burlingame Avenue



New striping on Santa Clara Street and striping on Castro Street

## Water Resource Recovery

### Environmental Compliance

#### Inspections completed:

- Stormwater (autobody/C.3 Development) - 7
- iMS® Cases Opened - 3
- iMS® Cases Closed - 3
- Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) - 6
- Significant Industrial User Inspections - 1

#### Meetings, Conferences/committee meetings attended by staff:

- Baykeeper Grade 5 Report response review
- Veolia Bi-weekly meeting
- Fats, Oils and Grease onboarding check-in with SwiftComply® data management software
- Contra Costa Clean Water Program
  - Administrative Committee Meeting
  - Stormwater Cost Reporting
- Annual Stormwater Compliance Inspection at the Richmond Corporation Yard
  - Housekeeping areas to be addressed
  - Quarterly Inspections will be completed to ensure compliance

## Problems with Your Sanitary Sewer System?

Is your sink draining slowly? Is water backing up into your bathtub? Are you having trouble flushing your toilet(s)?

Before you call a plumber, call the City's operator, VEOLIA WATER, at (510) 412-2001. They will come out to your home or business to ensure there is no issue with the City's sanitary sewer mainline.

There is no charge for this service. This service is available 24hours/day, 365 days/year.



## Sewer Lateral Grant Program

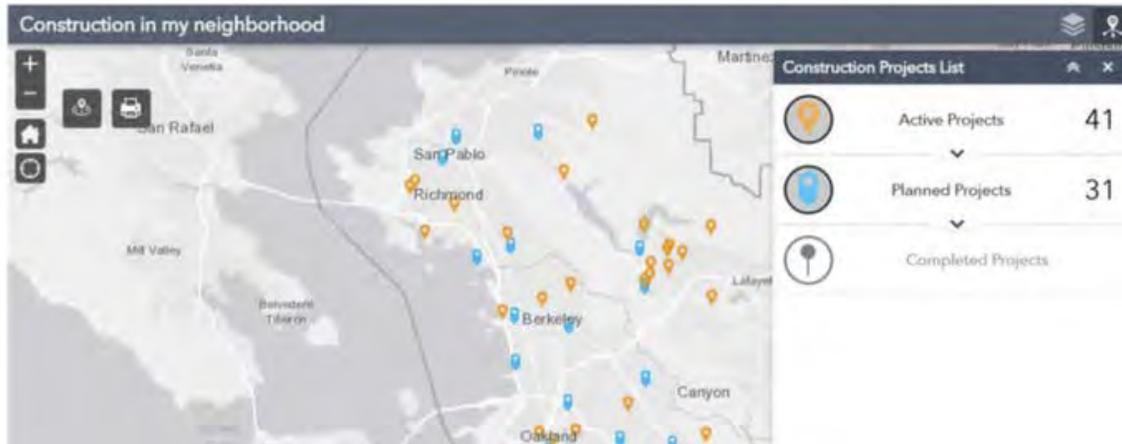
The City of Richmond's Water Resource Recovery Division administers the Sewer Lateral Grant Program. The program reimburses eligible homeowners in the Richmond Municipal Sewer District (RMSD No. 1) for some of the cost to replace their sewer lateral.

The program will reimburse applicants up to \$1,800 of the cost of a full sewer line replacement.

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 510-620-5509.

## East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) Projects

Below is a table of locations where East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) will be working on the water system. These are separate from City of Richmond initiatives. If you have questions, please contact EBMUD at (510) 287-2708. You may also look up active projects at the following website: <https://www.ebmud.com/about-us/construction-and-maintenance/construction-my-neighborhood>



## Fats Oils & Grease (FOG)

DO NOT POUR GREASE DOWN THE DRAIN! Grease continues to be a problem in the sanitary sewer system and the Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant. Grease clogs pipes and can be detrimental to the function of the plant. It can also lead to sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs).

To help resident with our "From The Pan-To-The-Can" campaign, we will be giving out free samples of "Fry-Away®" (see sample photo). This is a powder packet that, when mixed with oil, solidifies the used oil into a solid that can then be easily disposed of in waste receptacles instead of down the drain.

These packets will be available at the Public Works Counter at Richmond City Hall (450 Civic Center Plaza, second floor) for distribution. Please stop by and get your free sample and grease scraper today.



## Notice of continued Richmond Treatment Plant Work 9/2/25 to 9/19/25

September 2nd, 2025

Veolia staff, working at the Richmond Wastewater Treatment Plant, located at 601 Canal Blvd, will continue working on cleaning the Primary Clarifier Tank on 9/2/25

Veolia wants to notify our neighbors that work on our Primary Clarifier is continuing and that there is still a risk of odors because the tank still contains active process water. We will have every odor control system at the site and in the collection system online and we will have protocols/staff in place for continuous hosing of the tank walls with the addition of chlorinated water as we work through cleaning and draining this tank. During overnight hours at the plant we will add a water cap of chlorinated water to contain the release of odors. Throughout the week we will continue flushing and cleaning the tank. During the weekend Veolia will fill the tank back up with clean water to avoid any odor release. Our new expected timeframe for the structure to be cleaned and empty will be by Friday, September 19th. At this point there should be minimal potential for odors from the tank while it sits offline while repairs are in progress. We will continue mitigating any odor issues until the tank can be put back on line.

Veolia staff and City of Richmond officials are monitoring the planning for this work as well looking for optimal weather conditions. If neighbors notice any odors during this time, we ask them to notify us at 510-412-2001 as soon as possible.

We are working to complete this activity as quickly as possible and are working to minimize the impacts to the community. We will update you if there are any changes to this work plan that may have been impossible to foresee. Our goal is to complete this repair with as little disruption as possible, and we are committed to working with the City and our neighbors to reach this goal.

## Aviso de continuación de trabajos en la Planta de Tratamiento de Richmond 9/2/25 to 9/19/25

Septiembre 2nd, 2025

El personal de Veolia, trabajando en la Planta de Tratamiento de Aguas Residuales de Richmond, ubicada en 601 Canal Blvd, continuará trabajando en la limpieza del Tanque Clarificador Primario el 2 de septiembre del 2025.

Veolia desea notificar a nuestros vecinos que el trabajo en nuestro Clarificador Primario continúa y que todavía existe un riesgo de olores porque el tanque aún contiene agua de proceso activa. Tendremos todos los sistemas de control de olores en el sitio y en el sistema de drenaje en línea y tendremos protocolos/personal en lugar para el riesgo continuo de las paredes del tanque con la adición de agua clorada mientras trabajamos en la limpieza y el drenaje de este tanque. Durante las horas nocturnas en la planta, agregaremos una capa de agua clorada para contener la liberación de olores. Durante la semana continuaremos enjuagando y limpiando el tanque. Durante el fin de semana, Veolia llenará el tanque nuevamente con agua limpia para evitar cualquier liberación de olores. Esperamos que la estructura esté limpia y vacía para el viernes, 19 de septiembre. En este punto, debería haber un potencial mínimo de olores del tanque mientras está fuera de línea mientras las reparaciones están en progreso. Continuaremos mitigando cualquier problema de olor hasta que el tanque pueda volver a ponerse en línea.

El personal de Veolia y los funcionarios de la Ciudad de Richmond están monitoreando la planificación de este trabajo y buscando condiciones climáticas óptimas. Si los vecinos notan algún olor durante este tiempo, les pedimos que nos lo notifiquen al 510-412-2001 lo antes posible.

Estamos trabajando para completar esta actividad lo más rápido posible y estamos trabajando para minimizar los impactos en la comunidad. Le informaremos si hay algún cambio en este plan de trabajo que haya sido imposible de prever. Nuestro objetivo es completar esta reparación con la menor interrupción posible, y estamos comprometidos a trabajar con la Ciudad y nuestros vecinos para alcanzar este objetivo.



## Rent Program

# Richmond Rent Program FY 2025–2026 Residential Rental Housing Fees Announcement

At the July 1, 2025, City of Richmond Council Meeting, the Residential Rental Housing Fees were approved for Fiscal Year 2025–2026.

- Fully Covered (Rent Control & Just Cause for Eviction Protections): \$267 per unit
- Partially Covered (Just Cause for Eviction Protections only): \$151 per unit

Landlords may pay their fees through the online system at [www.ims.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ims.ci.richmond.ca.us).

The fiscal year for the Richmond Rent Program begins July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Please contact the Richmond Rent Program at (510) 234-RENT (7368) or sending an email to [rent@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:rent@ci.richmond.ca.us) with any questions. You may also visit the Richmond Rent Program Billing web page at <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4832/Billing> for more information.

**RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL APPROVES 2025-2026 RESIDENTIAL RENTAL HOUSING FEE**

**FULLY COVERED RENTAL UNITS: \$267 PER UNIT**

**PARTIALLY COVERED RENTAL UNITS: \$151 PER UNIT**

NOT SURE IF YOUR RENTAL IS FULLY COVERED OR PARTIALLY COVERED, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.RICHMONDCITY.CA.US/RENT](http://WWW.RICHMONDCITY.CA.US/RENT) OR CONTACT OUR OFFICE!

**QUESTION? CONTACT THE RICHMOND RENT PROGRAM**

**WEBSITE:** [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rent](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rent)

**EMAIL:** [rent@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:rent@ci.richmond.ca.us)

**PHONE:** (510) 234-RENT(7368)

**SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT:** Call or visit above information.

**HOW DO YOU PAY? ONLINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Step 1:** Go to [www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us)

**Step 2:** Register as a new user or continue as a User.

**Step 3:** Enter your phone number as the "cell to record #7" on the top of the screen.

**Step 4:** Click Add to Cart

**Step 5:** Click create or check to process a payment through our secure credit card payment processor.

Richmond Landlords will receive a formal billing via email by mail. If you created an IMS profile and registered your Landlord PRO account, you will receive an invoice by email. Follow instructions to create an IMS profile and Landlord PRO account on our Environment & Registration web page at [www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us).

**EL AYUNTAMIENTO DE RICHMOND APRUEBA 2025-2026 RESIDENCIAL TASA DE ALQUILER DE VIVIENDA**

**UNIDADES DE ALQUILER TOTALMENTE CUBIERTAS: \$267 POR UNIDAD**

**UNIDADES DE ALQUILER PARCIALMENTE CUBIERTAS: \$151 POR UNIDAD**

SI NO ESTÁ SEGURO DE SI SU ALQUILER ESTÁ TOTALMENTE CUBIERTO O PARCIALMENTE CUBIERTO, VISITE NUESTRO SITIO WEB [WWW.RICHMONDCITY.CA.US/RENT](http://WWW.RICHMONDCITY.CA.US/RENT) O LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA!

**¿PREGUNTAS? PREGUNTE EN CONTACTO CON EL PROGRAMA DE RENTA DE RICHMOND**

**PÁGINA WEB:** [www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rent](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/rent)

**CORREO ELECTRÓNICO:** [rent@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:rent@ci.richmond.ca.us)

**TELÉFONO:** (510) 234-RENT(7368)

**¿CONSTRUYA UNA CITA:** Call or visit above information.

**¿CÓMO PAGAR? INSTRUCCIONES DE PAGO EN LÍNEA:**

**Paso 1:** Ir a [www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us)

**Paso 2:** Registrarse como nuevo usuario o continuar como "usuario".

**Paso 3:** Ingresar el número de teléfono en la parte superior de la pantalla.

**Paso 4:** Hacer clic en Añadir al Carrito.

**Paso 5:** Hacer clic en Crear o verificar un pago.

Procesar un pago a través de nuestro procesador seguro de pagos con tarjeta de crédito.

Los propietarios de Richmond recibirán una factura por correo electrónico y por correo postal. Si creó un perfil IMS y registró su cuenta de propietario PRO, recibirá una factura por correo electrónico. Siga las instrucciones para crear un perfil IMS y una cuenta de Propietario PRO en nuestra página web de inscripción e registre en [www.ci.richmond.ca.us](http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us).



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!**

**Shasa Curl**

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