

CITY MANAGER'S Weekly

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City of
Richmond

Stay informed about Richmond's latest developments by exploring the City Manager's Weekly Report, which provides an overview of recent City projects and activities. Published weekly, this collaborative report from City departments and the City Manager's Office keeps residents up to date on community-focused news and initiatives.

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

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Upcoming City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2026. Enjoy the week off!



Upcoming Events

RNCC Black History Celebration

Date: February 9, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: 440 Civic Center Plaza

The Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council (RNCC) invites you to a celebration honoring our Black History Month Honorees. Please join us on Monday, February 9, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Richmond City Council Chambers. The event will be broadcast live on KCRT TV.

The RNCC will be honoring:
Doris Mason, Nat Bates, JC Farr, and AJ Jelani.

Complimentary snacks and beverages will be provided.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

RNCC BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

Join the RNCC to honor our longest-serving Neighborhood Council Presidents and City Officials.
Monday, Feb 9, 2026, 7:00 pm in the Richmond City Council Chambers.

"Without community service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient."
Dorothy Heaght

Come savor our tasty snacks and refreshing drinks

BLACK HISTORY HONOREES

DORIS MASON IRON TRIANGLE - NC - 25+Years	"NAT" NATHANIEL BATES 2-time City of Richmond Mayor/8-term City Councilman, City of Richmond Life Time Resident	JC FARR EASTSHORE - NC - 20+Years
		AJ JELANI BELDING WOODS - NC - 20+Years

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Free Pet Vaccine & Microchip Clinic

Date: February 14, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: 325 Civic Center Plaza

Helping pets stay healthy starts with timely vaccinations. Join us for a free clinic offering core vaccines and microchips that support your pet's immune system. This event is made possible through Measure X funding and partnerships with Contra Costa Animal Services and City of Richmond.

FREE PET VACCINE & MICROCHIP CLINIC

Saturday, February 14, 2026 | Starting at 9AM



325 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond CA 94804

Dogs and cats can receive Rabies vaccines. Dogs can receive a DAPP vaccine, and cats can receive a FVRCP vaccine. Free pet microchipping services as well.

- Guardians must be Contra Costa County residents (proof required) and 18 years or older.
- All pets will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis. We appreciate your patience.
- Pets will receive a brief health check to ensure they are well enough for vaccination. Please note: This is not a full wellness or diagnostic exam.
- Joybound People & Pets reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.
- Please bring prior vaccine records if available.
- All pets must be at least 6 weeks old.
- Dogs must be on a leash or in a carrier.
- Cats must be in secure carriers.
- Feral cats or community cats will not be served.
- Clinic services held outside, rain or shine.
- Dry dog and cat food available while supplies last.

About Joybound People & Pets | Community Solutions:

We believe pets belong with their families. When we succeed, we're helping you to help—through FoodShare, Pet Safety Net, Community Veterinary Care, and other support. Learn more and apply at Joybound.org/community.



Made possible through Measure X funding, in collaboration with Contra Costa Animal Services and the City of Richmond.



Snow Day

Date: February 18, 2026

Time: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: 3230 Macdonald Ave

Join us for a fun-filled day featuring music, games, rock climbing, and plenty of snowy adventures perfect for families and friends.

Bundle up in your snow gear, bring your snow saucer, and get ready to play in the snow, make memories, and enjoy delicious food available for purchase.

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



Lunar New Year Luncheon

Date: February 21, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: 403 Civic Center Plaza

Celebrate the Year of the Horse with the City of Richmond at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium on February 21, 2026, at 1:00 PM.

Enjoy entertainment, light refreshments, and a joyful community celebration. This event is FREE, but must be registered for in advance.

For more information, call (510) 620-6793



Black History Celebration

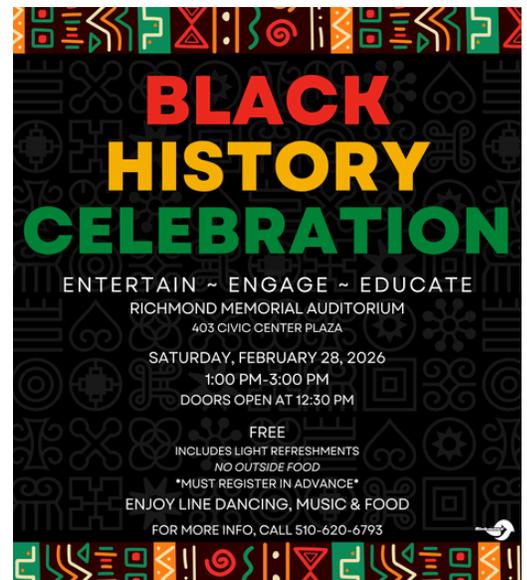
Date: February 28, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: 403 Civic Center Plaza

Join us for an afternoon filled with music, movement, culture, and community as we honor the rich history and achievements of African Americans. This annual celebration is a wonderful opportunity for families and friends to come together, enjoy great entertainment, and share a meaningful experience. Light refreshments are included, and the event is completely free. Please note that no outside food is permitted.

Must register in advance. To RSVP and for more information, call (510) 620-6793.



Sisters in Solidarity (SIS) IWD Celebration and Nomination Form for the Irma Anderson Legacy Award

Application Closes: February 13, 2026

Nominate an outstanding woman for the 2026 Irma L. Anderson Legacy Award for International Women's Day (IWD)! Honoring excellence and community service at the SIS Women's Day Celebration on March 7, 2026. Submit your nomination by February 13, 2026, via the QR code. Don't miss this chance to celebrate women in leadership!


**IRMA L. ANDERSON
LEGACY AWARD**



NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN!

The Sisters in Solidarity planning committee is seeking nominations for the 2026 Irma L. Anderson Legacy Award, to be presented to a deserving woman committed to excellence and to giving back to the community.

In 2024, we began honoring the late former Mayor Irma L. Anderson, a pioneering leader in Richmond and beyond. She inspired many, especially women in public service and public health, and lived by Shirley Chisholm's words: "Service is the rent we pay for the privilege of living on this earth."

If you or your organization wishes to nominate a phenomenal woman from our community, scan the QR Code to complete the nomination form and submit it by Friday, February 6, 2026 (by 11:59 PM).



Nomination Link:
<https://forms.gle/2fryMLtFTFh7EC8>

Email: AndersonSISAward@gmail.com

City of Richmond Grant Programs

Application Closes: March 13, 2026

Time: 11:59 PM

Location: Apply Online

The [Richmond-ECIA Grant Program Request for Application \(RFA\)](#) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027 is open! The deadline to submit an application and all relevant attachments is Friday, March 13, 2026, at 11:59 PM. In our efforts to improve efficiencies, applications are only being accepted electronically. City staff will share information on both the general ECIA grant program and the CSD mini-grant program. Additionally, you may access previously recorded webinars and presentation slides on our [Capacity Building](#) page.


**Apply For a
Grant Today!**

Richmond ECIA Community Grant Program

**Opens:
Friday
January 23, 2026**

The City of Richmond is opening the Fiscal Year 2026 to 2027 Environmental and Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) Community Grant Program. This funding supports Richmond serving nonprofit and community-based organizations providing community, youth, and youth sports programs. \$715,000 available in funding across ECIA grant categories.

Key dates

- Application opens: Friday, January 23, 2026
- ECIA information session: February 4, 2026 at 2:30 PM
- Application deadline: Friday, March 13, 2026 by 11:59 p.m.
- Grant award period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

How to apply

Applications must be submitted online

at richmondca.submittable.com

Questions

eciaqrants@ci.richmond.ca.us

Richmond Fund for Children and Youth Participatory Grantmaking Pilot Grant

**Opens:
Friday
January 30, 2026**

The City of Richmond Department of Children and Youth is launching a new Participatory Grantmaking Pilot through the Richmond Fund for Children and Youth. This one-year pilot supports youth-serving organizations through a community-informed grantmaking process. Approximately \$500,000 available in funding. Grant awards anticipated between \$10,000 and \$50,000.

Key dates

- Application opens: Friday, January 30, 2026
- Information session: February 4, 2026 at 2:30 PM
- Application deadline: Friday, March 13, 2026 by 11:59 p.m.
- Grant period: July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

How to apply

Applications must be submitted online

at richmondca.submittable.com

Questions

youth@ci.richmond.ca.us

Apply today:
www.richmondca.gov/grants





City Manager's Chronicles

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

- Met with Council of Industries Executive Director Rauly Butler
- Attended the February 3, 2026 Richmond City Council meeting
- I hosted a hybrid All-City Staff Meeting with both morning and afternoon sessions. More than 170 staff attended in person and 208 participated online, for a total of 378 participants. The linked presentation below provides an overview of key City accomplishments, major programs and initiatives, budget and fiscal updates, capital and development projects, and priorities moving Richmond forward. The Management Leadership Team was present, and there was active engagement from participants throughout the sessions. Link to presentation: (<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/78472/v3---2026-All-City-Meeting>)
- Attended the Contra Costa Mayor's Conference
- Along with Finance Director Emily Combs, met with Ilaf Esuf, District Director for Assemblymember Buffy Wicks

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.



Mayor's Conference



All Hands Staff Meeting



City Manager's Office

Now Open: 2026 Richmond Promise Scholarship

The 2026 Richmond Promise Scholarship is NOW OPEN for Richmond residents! Eligible students can apply for the \$1,500 annual scholarship that can be used at any 2-year, 4-year, or Career Technical Education (CTE) post-secondary institution in the U.S. Visit richmondpromise.org/scholarship for more details and to apply. The deadline to submit this application is March 9, 2026, at 11:59 PM. We will not grant individual extensions to this deadline.

RICHMOND PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

RECEIVE \$1,500 EACH YEAR & GET EXTRA COLLEGE SUPPORT

IF YOU...

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

THEN YOU QUALIFY TO APPLY!

INTERESTED? TO FIND OUT MORE, SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT: RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION OPENS: DECEMBER 1, 2025
APPLICATION CLOSES: MARCH 9, 2026

QUESTIONS? EMAIL: SCHOLARSHIPS@RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG

BECA RICHMOND PROMISE

RECIBE APOYO UNIVERSITARIO Y \$1500 CADA AÑO

SI TU...

- Éres residente de Richmond o del norte de Richmond?
- Te graduarás de una escuela pública, privada o autónoma dentro de los límites del WCCUSD?
- Asististe a alguna escuela dentro de los límites del WCCUSD desde el grado nueve?
- Completaste la solicitud de FAFSA/CA Dream Act?

¡ENTONCES, TIENES TODOS LOS REQUISITOS PARA APLICAR Y ENTREGAR TU SOLICITUD PARA LA BECA DE RICHMOND PROMISE!

¿ESTÁS INTERESADO? PARA OBTENER MÁS INFORMACIÓN, ESCANEA EL CÓDIGO QR O VISITA: RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG/SCHOLARSHIP

LA SOLICITUD ABRE: 1 DE DICIEMBRE DEL 2025 Y CIERRA: 9 DE MARZO DEL 2026

¿PREGUNTAS? CORREO ELECTRONICO: SCHOLARSHIPS@RICHMONDPROMISE.ORG

Black Resiliency Project's Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Application

Applications for the Black Resiliency Project's Community Advisory Committee (CAC) are NOW OPEN! The CAC will help guide the development of the State of Black Richmond Report and inform the design of the Black Resiliency Fund.

Apply here:
<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/2641/BOARD-OR-COMMISSION-APPLICATION-FORM-fillable>

Learn more:
<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4921/Black-Resiliency-Project>

JOIN THE BLACK RESILIENCY PROJECT'S COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Help shape Richmond's first Black Resiliency Fund.

The City of Richmond is seeking residents to serve on the Community Advisory Committee, a group that will guide the State of Black Richmond Report and help design the Black Resiliency Fund

WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- ✓ Richmond residents
- ✓ Youth (ages 15–24)
- ✓ Community leaders, organizers, caregivers
- ✓ People with lived experience across housing, education, health, culture, or community services

WHAT THE CAC DOES:

- ✓ Review and advise on the State of Black Richmond Report
- ✓ Help shape grant guidelines and priorities
- ✓ Ensure community voice leads this work
- ✓ Promote transparency and accountability
- ✓ Host community meetings and provide feedback to City Council

APPLICATIONS OPEN JANUARY 7, 2026

For more information or to apply visit:
<https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4921/Black-Resiliency-Project> or scan the QR Code.

Questions? Contact Yahna Williamson at yahna_williamson@ci.richmond.ca.us





Community Services

Employment & Training

Richmond YouthWORKS 5th Annual Resource and Career Fair

Date: April 8, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Location: 403 Civic Center Plaza

The Richmond YouthWORKS Annual Resource and Career Fair connects youth and community members with employers, training programs, and vital services, creating pathways to opportunity, career exploration, and long-term success. For more information contact 510-412-2044.

Register to attend today:

<https://tinyurl.com/YWCareerFair2026>

Richmond YouthWORKS
5TH ANNUAL RESOURCE AND CAREER FAIR

KICKSTART YOUR FUTURE!

- Discover Career Pathway Opportunities, Jobs & Training Programs
- Meet Employers Ready to Hire
- Get Pro Tips and Build Your Professional Network

FREE EVENT!
ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS ARE WELCOME

DATE: APRIL 8, 2026
TIME: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
LOCATION: RICHMOND MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
403 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, RICHMOND, CA 94801

DISCOVER • CONNECT • SUCCEED!
Attend for a chance to win exciting raffle prizes!

ARM YOURSELF WITH KNOWLEDGE AND OPPORTUNITIES!

RSVP Today: <https://tinyurl.com/YWCareerFair2026>

DON'T MISS OUT! BRING YOUR FRIENDS!
510-412-2044 | youthworks@richmondworks.org

Recreation

Tiny Heroes–Early Recreation

Date: January 5, 2026 – May 28, 2026

Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Parchester, Nevin, May Valley, Shields Reid

The Tiny Heroes program focuses on early childhood development, providing young children with structured activities that enhance motor skills, social interaction, and cognitive growth. These programs incorporate play-based learning, music, movement, and recreational activities to foster creativity and curiosity. A nurturing environment helps build confidence and communication skills. For more information, please contact (510) 620-6793.

TINY HEROES
TODDLER & PRESCHOOL
EARLY RECREATION

Nevin Community Center
598 Nevin Ave. (510) 620-6813

Parchester Community Center
900 Williams Dr. (510) 620-6823

Sept '25 - May '26
Monday & Tuesday / lunes y martes
10:30 am - 12 pm
6 months - 5 yrs / 6 meses - 5 años
Res: \$20/mo. or \$5/drop-in
Non-Res: \$25/mo. or \$5/drop-in
Residente: \$20/mes o \$5/entrada
No-Residente: \$25/mes o \$5/entrada

May Valley Community Center
3530 Morningside Dr. (510) 620-6890

Shields-Reid Community Center
1410 Kelsey St. (510) 620-6822

Sept '25 - May '26
Wednesday & Thursday / miércoles y jueves
10:30 am - 12 pm
6 months - 5 yrs / 6 meses - 5 años
Res: \$20/mo. or \$5/drop-in
Non-Res: \$25/mo. or \$5/drop-in
Residente: \$20/mes o \$5/entrada
No-Residente: \$25/mes o \$5/entrada

Register Online:
tinyurl.com/richmondrecreation
In-person: Registration Office
3230 Macdonald Ave
For more info, call (510) 620-6793

TINY HEROES PROGRAM FOCUSES ON EACH CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT. THESE CLASSES FOCUS ON FINE AND GROSS MOTOR SKILLS, INTERACTION WITH OTHER CHILDREN AND TO THE ALPHABET, NUMBERS 1-10, AND COLORS. THIS IS NOT A PRESCHOOL OR A DAYCARE. SO THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE ALWAYS NEAR THEIR CHILDREN DURING THE PROGRAM.

EL PROGRAMA TINY HEROES SE CENTRA EN EL DESARROLLO DE CADA NIÑO. ESTAS CLASES SE CENTRAN EN LAS HABILIDADES MOTORAS FINAS Y GRUESAS, LA INTERACCION CON OTROS NIÑOS Y EL ALFABETO, LOS NÚMEROS DEL 1 AL 10 Y LOS COLORES. ESTE NO ES UN PREESCOLAR NI UNA GUARDERÍA. POR LO QUE LOS PADRES/TUTORES SIEMPRE ESTÁN CERCA DE SUS HIJOS DURANTE EL PROGRAMA.

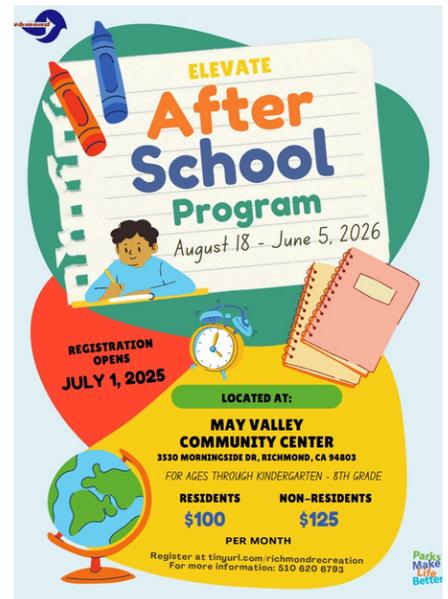
Elevate After School Program

Date: January 5, 2026 – June 5, 2026

Time: 2:00 PM–6:00 PM

Location: May Valley

Join us for our Elevate 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! For more information, please contact (510) 620-6793.



Achieve After School Program

Date: January 5, 2026 – May 29, 2026

Time: 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Shields Reid, Parchester, Nevin

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! For more information contact (510) 620-6793.



Presidents' Week Camp

Date: February 17, 2026 – February 20, 2026

Time: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Location: Richmond Recreation Complex

Join us for an exciting Winter Camp hosted by Community Services Recreation! Youth will enjoy games, crafts, winter activities, and tons of fun in a safe, positive, and energetic environment. Don't miss out, come make new friends, create memories, and make the most of Presidents' Week with us! For more information contact (510) 620-6793.





Economic Development

Business Development

Opportunity to join the Macdonald Avenue Corridor Task Force

The City Council has added four seats to the task force. We invite community members to join and help shape inclusive planning and revitalization efforts for the area. This is your opportunity to contribute and make a meaningful impact. Apply now to become part of this important initiative. For more information, and to apply, visit: <https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4919/Macdonald-Avenue-Corridor-Task-Force>

Attention! Community Members Business Owners Local Leaders

MACDONALD AVENUE CORRIDOR TASK FORCE

Help shape the future of Macdonald Avenue! Join the Corridor Task Force to collaborate on revitalization, equity, and sustainability efforts that benefit our community.

The Richmond City Council approved the establishment of the Macdonald Avenue Corridor Task Force on September 23, 2025, following a proposal by Mayor Eduardo Martinez and Councilmember Doris Robinson.

This limited duration, Brown Act-compliant body brings together direct stakeholders and key decision-makers with influence over the corridor. The primary mission of the Task Force is to deliver a comprehensive set of recommendations to the Richmond City Council for the revitalization of the Macdonald Avenue Corridor.

The Task Force serves as a collaborative forum to:

- Identify shared priorities
- Share diverse community and stakeholder perspectives
- Coordinate revitalization and development efforts

Second and Fourth Tuesday starting January 2026
11 am - 12 pm
Richmond Room, 400 Civic Center Plaza, 1st Floor, Richmond, CA

www.ci.richmond.ca.us/4919

Invitation for February 2026 Events – On-Demand Enhanced Business Services and Solutions

Looking to grow your business in 2026? Take advantage of free February events hosted by the City of Richmond and CoBiz. Access practical tools, expert guidance, and tailored support through the On-Demand Enhanced Business Services program. These resources are designed to help your business succeed—don't miss out.

For more information, call Economic Development staff at 510-620-6524 or 510-412-2023.

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.

FEBRUARY 2026 EVENTS

- Monday - February 2, 2026 (Virtual) 6 PM - 7 PM
Where Do I Start? Organic Marketing Channels
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/where-do-i-start-organic-marketing-channels-tickets-1978465323040>
- Wednesday - February 18, 2026 (Virtual) 10:00 AM - 11 AM
Monthly Entrepreneur's Mental Health Toolkit - Series
<https://form.typeform.com/to/h0ArJkDG>
- February 18 - March 4, 2026 (Virtual)
Grant Readiness Incubator - Experienced Non-Profits
<https://form.typeform.com/to/mZ8IK8E>
Program Dates:
> Week 1 - Feb. 18 and 20 (10 AM - 11:30 AM)
> Week 2 - Feb 25 and 27 (10 AM - 11:30 AM)
> Week 3 - March 4 (10 AM - 12:00 PM)

FOR MORE INFO

Revitalize Your Storefront: Apply Now for Richmond's \$15K Facade Improvement Grants!

Exciting news! The Richmond Small Business Facade Improvement Program is open! Eligible businesses in Transformative Climate Communities areas can apply for grants up to \$15,000 to upgrade storefront exteriors. Applications launched December 29, 2025—don't miss this chance to revitalize your business! For more information contact (510) 619-8668.



Apply Now!

renaissance entrepreneurship center

SMALL BUSINESS Facade Improvement Program

Grant Details

- Up to \$15,000 per commercial address
- Multi-tenant buildings may apply per unit
- Projects must start within 90 days of approval and finish within 90 days of start (extensions possible)

Who's Eligible

- Street-facing retail or nonprofit storefronts
- Property owners with leasable vacant spaces (within 6 months)
- Be in Iron Triangle, Santa Fe, or Coronado
- Have 2024 revenue less than \$2M
- Hold a valid Richmond business license
- Be in good standing with the local, state, and federal agencies
- Have written landlord approval (if applicable)

Funding

- First (up to 50%) - After permits + contract or receipts
- Final - After completion & site review

Not Eligible

- Home-based, admin-only, or non-compliant businesses

For More Information: eastbay@rencenter.org, (510) 619-8668

Use this QR Code to Apply

Community Outreach Survey for The Lot: Downtown Richmond Food Court

The City of Richmond is advancing final renovation planning for The Lot: Downtown Richmond Food Court and is seeking community input through a public survey. Feedback will help shape future design concepts, amenities, and programming to ensure improvements reflect community needs and priorities.

Survey Links:

- English: <https://forms.office.com/g/gMiSyBCyAU?origin=lpLink>
- Spanish: <https://forms.office.com/g/vduRuV0Bzt?origin=lpLink>



THE LOT DOWNTOWN RICHMOND FOOD COURT

Community Feedback Survey

Improvements & Amenities

1. Which of the following amenities or improvements would make you more likely to use The Lot? Choose all that you would use or enjoy.

Seating & Comfort: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Tables <input type="checkbox"/> Chairs <input type="checkbox"/> Benches <input type="checkbox"/> Shade sail / tent <input type="checkbox"/> Tuff carpet 	Look & Feel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Logo or mural paint <input type="checkbox"/> Gateway feature <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent decorative paint striping <input type="checkbox"/> Planters / planter planting / mulch <input type="checkbox"/> Solar string lights
Activities & Entertainment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Ping pong table <input type="checkbox"/> Concourse <input type="checkbox"/> Chess pieces <input type="checkbox"/> Gathering/performance space 	Practical & Vendor Support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Restrooms <input type="checkbox"/> Water access for vendors <input type="checkbox"/> Trash receptacle & Bike Rack <input type="checkbox"/> I would not use any of these improvements

2. Are there any amenities or improvements listed above that you think should not be included or that concern you? _____

3. Are there other improvements or ideas you would like to see at The Lot? _____

4. Overall, how important is it to you that The Lot is improved?

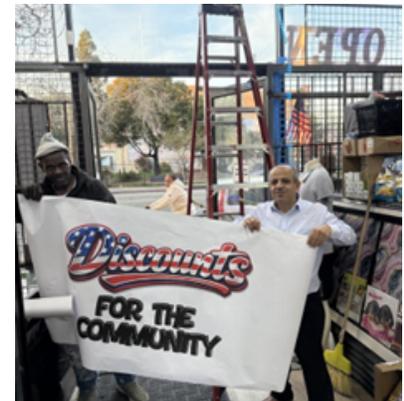
- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not very important
- Not important at all

For More Info, Call: (800) 420-6524 or Email: edadmin@ci.richmond.ca.us

Scan QR Code for Digital Survey

Recap: Business Visit to Promote the Façade Improvement Program

The Business Development Division conducted business visits and outreach in the Iron Triangle neighborhood to promote the Façade Improvement Program, encouraging eligible small businesses to apply. The program, launched on December 29, 2025, is actively accepting applications to support storefront improvements.



Recap: East Bay Economic Development Alliance Economic Development Directors' Council Meeting

Economic Development and Richmond Main Street Initiative met with Richmond City Center to discuss property plans and share City programs and grants that support revitalization and long-term business success for tenants.



Environmental and Health

2026 Richmond Recycling Training Refresher

Date: February 20, 2026
Time: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Location: 440 Civic Center Plaza
City Council Chambers

Join the City of Richmond and Republic Services to learn about properly sorting waste, state and local laws, and exploring available recycling resources. This informative session is open to all ages and is a great opportunity for City staff and the Richmond Community to enhance their recycling and sustainability knowledge. In-person attendees will receive FREE Zero Waste gear and food! Spanish translation also provided.

RSVP here: <https://2026-richmond-recycling-training.eventbrite.com/>

This training will also be hybrid and available on Zoom. Link: <https://ci-richmond-ca-us.zoom.us/j/87268918153> ; Webinar ID: 872 6891 8153

In-Person RSVP here: <https://2026-Richmond-Recycling-Training.eventbrite.com>

RICHMOND RECYCLING TRAINING REFRESHER
"ON THE ROAD TO ZERO"

Friday, February 20, 2026
 11 AM - 12 PM
 440 Civic Center Plaza,
 Richmond
 (City Council Chambers)

Zoom link: <https://ci-richmond-ca-us.zoom.us/j/87268918153>
 Webinar ID: 872 6891 8153

- Proper waste sorting
- Review state & local laws
- Recycling Resources

Questions?
Contact: 510-621-1554

Visit for more information:
www.richmondenvironment.org

BayREN EASE Home Program Open

BayREN's income-qualified single-family program, EASE Home, helps you make low-cost upgrades that improve home comfort and save on energy costs. BayREN manages every step – from the site visit and installation to applying for permits – so you don't have to. Plus, BayREN covers 80% of the cost of core energy efficiency upgrades!

Learn more about the program at BayREN.org/ease-home.
 Questions? Email energy@dcd.cccounty.us

It's EASE-y to Upgrade Your Home and Save Money with EASE Home!

BayREN's Efficiency and Sustainable Energy (EASE) Home program helps income-eligible residents make energy upgrades that improve health and their home's comfort.

What Are the Benefits?

- Boosted comfort
- Lower energy bills
- Improved air quality

How Does the Program Work?

1. An Energy Advisor visits your home and recommends customized, low-cost upgrades, like insulation and duct sealing.
2. We handle all the details, from permit and rebate applications to installation through our vetted contractors.
3. All pricing is transparent and fixed, with BayREN covering 80% of the cost of core weatherization and energy efficiency measures.*
4. Our team will maximize your savings by stacking and applying for all available rebates for you, in addition to what BayREN covers.

How Do I Get Started?
 Scan the QR code to fill out the Interest Form.

Who Qualifies?

You can participate if you:

- Live in a single-family home (up to 4 units) built before 2010.
- Are a PG&E customer.
- Have a household income under or at 120% Area Median Income. See guidelines below.

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$13,326
2	\$16,676
3	\$16,826
4	\$18,376
5	\$22,600

Visit BayREN.org/income-guidelines for more.

Contact us with any questions at: EASEHome@BayREN.org | 1-866-999-8655



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
Lifeguard	Part Time	Continuous
Maintenance Aide II	Part Time	Continuous
Police Cadet	Part Time	Continuous
Police Officer Academy Grad (Direct)	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Lateral	Full Time	Continuous
Police Officer Trainee	Exempt	Continuous
Principal Planner	Full Time	2/24/2026
Recreation Program Leader	Part Time	Continuous
Recreation Program Specialist	Part Time	Continuous
School Crossing Guard	Part Time	Continuous



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



Information Technology

KCRT Datanet for the Week

	Help Shape the Future of Parchester Village
Parchester Village Infrastructure Master Plan <i>We need to hear from you.</i> The City of Richmond is creating the Parchester Village Infrastructure Master Plan to make the neighborhood safer and better prepared for the future.	Community Meeting: Thursday, February 19th 7:00pm Parchester Community Center 900 Williams Drive, Richmond
For questions or updates: Nina Greenwood nina@davisimpact.com	

Radio/Cellular Communications

The City of Richmond's Radio/Cellular Communications Upgrade project has officially gone live! This means that our Emergency Responder Radio Communication System (ERRCS) is now fully operational and providing clear channels of communication for public safety radios, cellular/mobile devices, and Ham Radio Operators. The system covers our primary Office of Emergency Services (OES) facility and extends to all floors of City Hall, ensuring seamless communication across these crucial areas.

All systems have been thoroughly tested and are now live. This monumental achievement was made possible through the remarkable collaboration of various City departments, external vendors, and invaluable community resources. It is truly a testament to what we can achieve when we work together towards a common goal.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the successful design and construction of this project. Your dedication and hard work have made a significant impact on our community's safety and communication capabilities.



Programming

New "NewsBytes" and Regular Series Episodes:

- Mayor's State of the City video segment is encoded on "KCRT's NewsBytes."
- New episodes of "Best of California," "The Jet Set," "White House Chronicle," "California Bountiful," "A Captain's Log," "Creature Features," and "Sidewalks Entertainment."

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

- Betty Reid Soskin Tribute from Nat Bates' show, "Historical Elected Officials and Community Leaders"
- Library Move videos
- GRID Alternative
- Rosie The Riveter Rally and Festival

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



Public Safety

Community Crisis Response Program

ROCK Team Official Launch

Date: February 20, 2026

**Location: 450 Civic Center Plaza
City Council Chambers**

The ROCK team is set to finish their two-month training academy with a target launch of February 16, 2026. Potential hours of operation will be 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM

ROCK has been out in the community visiting local stakeholders throughout different districts in the City: RYSE, Lifelong, etc.

ROCK responder trainings have included:

- Advanced Crisis Intervention Training
- Police Department provided Driver's Training
- Dispatch Sit-ins
- Radio and Communication Systems
- Cultural Sensitivity and Awareness



Public Works

Poisonous Mushrooms

Seeing mushrooms pop up after the rain? Some wild mushrooms are extremely dangerous—even deadly. Please don't pick or eat wild mushrooms, and keep children and pets away. If exposure is suspected, contact California Poison Control right away at 1-800-222-1222. To report mushrooms in parks or public spaces, call Parks at (510) 231-3004 or submit an IMS work order. For help getting started, visit IMS account setup help.



Some Wild Mushrooms Are Deadly

Avoid picking and eating wild mushrooms this high-risk season



Death Caps
(*Amanita phalloides*)



Western Destroying Angels
(*Amanita ocreata*)



California Poison Control Hotline: 1-800-222-1222.

Webpage: go.cdph.ca.gov/PoisonMushrooms

Abatement

Crews performed the following tasks this week:

- Abated:
 - 5.68 tons of debris from around encampment hotspots, including the Macdonald Avenue corridor, Barrett & Marina Way underpass, and Richmond Parkway corridor
 - Weeds from the public right-of-way in the Iron Triangle
 - 47 tons of illegally dumped debris from the City's sidewalks, alleyways and roadways, including 53 mattresses, 37 tires and approximately 32 gallons of oil and paint
 - 28 graffiti tags from various locations throughout the City
- Work completed:
 - Closed out 55 community inquiries that were submitted through the City's iMS® system



Encampments' Debris Abatement (I-80/Central Avenue)



Weed Abatement (before & after)

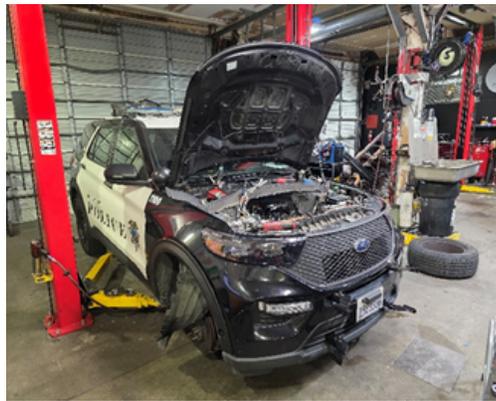


Illegal Dumping & Graffiti Abatement (before & after)

Equipment Services

Crew members completed the following work:

- Performed preventive maintenance on five Richmond Police Department vehicles
- Performed two major repairs on Richmond Police Department vehicles
- Initiated seasonal maintenance and service on the Streets Division paver in preparation for the paving season
- Completed the new unit set-up for Richmond Fire Department



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:

- Performed detailed cleaning of doors in third floor lobby area at City Hall
- Conducted carpet cleaning in an office on the second floor of City Hall
- Replaced multiple light bulbs throughout the 440 Community Service Building and 450 City Hall



Detail cleaning at City Hall



Replacing light bulbs at City Hall

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 a urinal at the Richmond Swim Center
- Replaced the chlorine shut-off valve and bushing on the 10" return pipe at the Plunge
- Replaced the start/stop relay on the Mighty Thermal Boiler at the Richmond Swim Center
- Cleaned out the main sewage line at the Recreation Complex



Sewage clean out at the Recreation Complex



Boiler repair at the Swim Center

Engineering & Capital Improvement Projects

Permits and Land Development

Permits Completed:

- Encroachment Permit - 28
- Sewer Lateral Certificate of Compliance - 9
- Transportation - 2
- Sidewalk Vendor (Special Business) Permit - 1
- Customers Served at Counter - 17

Inspections Completed: 72 Total

- Initial - 28
- Asphalt - 9
- Concrete - 4
- Traffic Control - 16
- Re-inspection - 1
- Final - 17

Inspections in the Public Right-of-Way

At the 100 block of Marina Way, Kato Plumbing, a privately hired contractor, completed a full sewer lateral replacement for a residential property owner due to the age and deterioration of the existing pipe.



Pipe Repairs in Progress

Road Closure Notice

Carlson Boulevard (from South Street to the private entrance road serving the Public Storage building at 398 Carlson Boulevard) - Both lanes are currently closed due to the risk of the fire-damaged storage facility collapsing onto the roadway. The closure will remain in effect until demolition is complete and the area is deemed safe, which is anticipated by February 20, 2026. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this time.

Strengthening Capital Planning Through Data and Mapping

Ongoing enhancements to the City's ArcGIS Enterprise platform are helping transform how capital projects are tracked, shared, and understood across departments. Work on the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Dashboard is improving the organization of project data, maps, and photos into a single, visual view that supports coordination and informed decision-making. By converting complex project information into accessible, map-based tools, Public Works is strengthening internal collaboration while laying the groundwork for greater transparency and clearer communication around infrastructure investments.

In parallel, this work is establishing a more resilient digital foundation for future initiatives, including asset management, interdepartmental data sharing, and public-facing mapping applications. As datasets become more standardized and connected, staff can spend less time reconciling information and more time analyzing conditions, prioritizing needs, and responding to community questions. These improvements position the City to scale its use of data-driven tools over time, improving service delivery while supporting long-term planning and accountability.

Status: 2% Construction Complete

The City is making steady progress on restoring a second section of Rheem Creek near Contra Costa College. This important work is being completed as part of an environmental mitigation effort tied to a separate landslide stabilization project.

The restoration will improve creek health by removing accumulated sediment and non-native vegetation and replacing it with a native riparian plant palette designed to support local habitat and long-term ecological function.

To ensure safety and maintain proper clearance near Pacific Gas & Electric overhead power lines, the project team has also completed initial vegetation trimming and removal in advance of the full restoration work.



Restoration Beginning at Rheem Creek

Ferry Point Pump Station

Status: 99% Construction Complete

On February 9 and 10, 2026, City crews are tentatively scheduled to perform construction activities which may impact vehicular traffic at Dornan Drive and Brick Yard Cove. Work will include placing boulders to help define the roadway in the area.

Traffic impacts are expected to be minimal; however, residents may wish to avoid slight delays in the area.

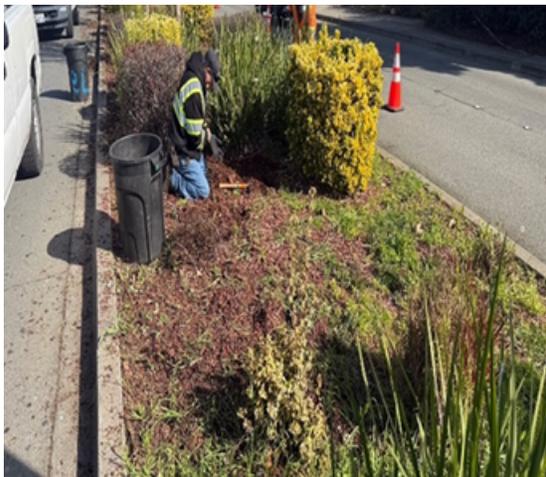
Meeker Slough Update

The natural beauty of Meeker Slough is an area beloved by birdwatchers, trail users, nearby residents, and visitors. Large debris—such as drums, tires, and shopping carts—have been deposited into the slough, creating an eyesore. The City is in the process of working with environmental regulatory agencies, consulting firms, and a contractor, to put together a plan for entering into the slough and removing the debris. With Ridgway's Rail breeding season (February through August) underway, we're using this time to finalize the City's plans. The City anticipates performing the work in September 2026 after the conclusion of the Ridgway's Rail breeding season, to preserve the slough's natural beauty.

Hilltop District Parks

Hilltop District crews performed the following tasks:

- Removed trash throughout the Hilltop District area
- Mowed Bay Vista Park, Country Club Park, and Vista Del Mar Park
- Abated weeds along Auto Plaza Circle
- Hand-pulled weeds along Robert Miller Drive, Hillview Drive, and Research Drive medians
- Abated weeds behind homes along Atlas Road



Hand-pulled weeds on Robert Miller Drive (before and after)

Tree Crew

- Pruned four pine trees and five cork oak trees along Tewkesbury Avenue
- Pruned Chinese elm tree along Rheem Avenue
- Pruned Chinese elm tree along Wiswall Drive



Trees pruned on Tewkesbury Avenue

General Fund Crews

- Abated weeds, edged grass lawns, and cleaned leaf debris at Huntington Senior Center, Huntington Park, Monterey Park, and Cypress Pathway
- Installed boards at Booker T. Anderson Park baseball field backstop
- Repaired bleachers and repainted backstops at Booker T. Anderson Park
- Trimmed redwood trees and continued repainting bleachers and backstops at Booker T. Anderson Park
- Abated weeds and removed trash at the Fire Training Center and Booker T. Anderson Park
- Abated weeds at Overend Pathways, Taft Pathway, Cypress medians, and the Parks Yard
- Cleaned up illegal dumping along the Richmond Greenway behind the Target Store
- Removed two fallen trees at Booker T. Anderson Park
- Repaired and replaced playground equipment at Unity Park
- Abated weeds and installed mulch at The Grove along the Richmond Greenway
- Performed flail mowing of hillsides and removed encampments at Lucas Park
- Abated weeds and completed cleanup at Nevin Park
- Abated weeds at The Lot and Social Security Plaza
- Removed debris at the Richmond Plunge
- Cleared creek drain at Mira Vista Park
- Abated weeds at Burg Park and Kern Park
- Removed graffiti at Hilltop Green Park
- Removed encampment at Humboldt Park
- Installed irrigation valves at Ferry Point
- Removed ivy at Raincloud Park
- Installed new header board around play area at Humboldt Play Lot
- Repaired men's restroom door at Nicholl Park
- Abated weeds at Main Library and Auditorium
- Filled old tree wells with concrete at Humphrey Park



Removed ivy at Raincloud Park (before and after)



Removed two fallen trees at Booker T. Anderson Park, Baxter Creek (before and after)

Right-of-Way (ROW) Crew

- Completed weed and trash abatement, shrub pruning, and maintenance along Macdonald Avenue between 6th and 16th Streets
- Completed weed and trash abatement and maintenance at Nevin and Metro Walk Plaza
- Abated weeds and removed trash at 19th Street BART Plaza
- Completed weed and trash abatement along Nevin Avenue between Harbour Way and 25th Street
- Abated weeds and removed trash along sidewalk rights-of-way on Cutting Boulevard between South 37th Street and South 41st Street
- Completed weed and trash abatement, shrub pruning, and maintenance along San Luis Street sound wall
- Repaired right-of-way greenway fence at South 41st Street and Ohio Avenue
- Completed trash pickup throughout designated right-of-way areas



19th Street BART Plaza (before and after)

Streets Maintenance

The Pavement Maintenance crew activities for the week:

- Performed pothole repairs at 60 locations including Marina Bay Parkway, San Pablo Avenue, Key Boulevard, 22nd Street, Giant Highway, Bayview Avenue, Canal Boulevard, 25th Street, and Berk Avenue
- Performed 14 hot mix patches at locations including Western Drive, Ohio Avenue, 4th Street, West Richmond Avenue, 36th Street, Stege Avenue, Ventura Street, and Tulare Avenue



Hot mix patching on South 4th Street

Street sweeping Crews:

- Swept the following neighborhood council areas:
 - Santa Fe, Point Richmond, Marina Bay, Coronado, Metro Richmore Village, Pullman, Cortez/Stege, Park Plaza, Laurel Park, City Center, and Richmond Parkway



Sweeping City Center and Richmond Parkway

Traffic Signs and Lines crews:

- Refreshed 1000 linear feet of red paint, installed new street name signs, and refreshed faded street sweeping signs on Nevin Avenue between 19th Street and 23rd Street
- Installed 180 linear feet of new red curb on Wright Avenue at 19th Street
- Refreshed 40 street sweeping signs at various locations

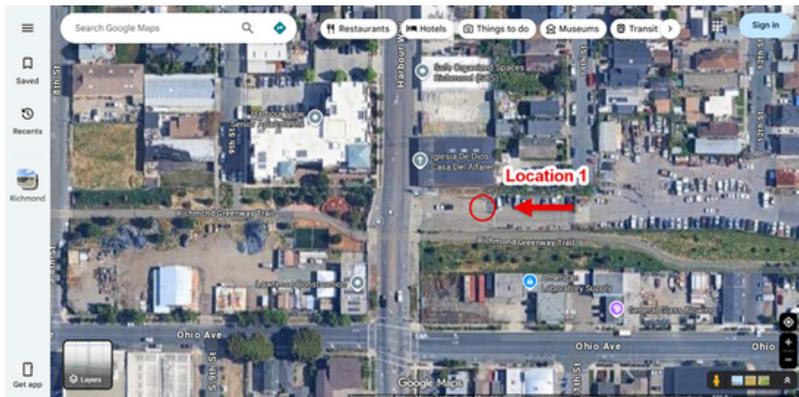


Red curb installation on Wright Avenue and street sweeping sign refresh in Hilltop area

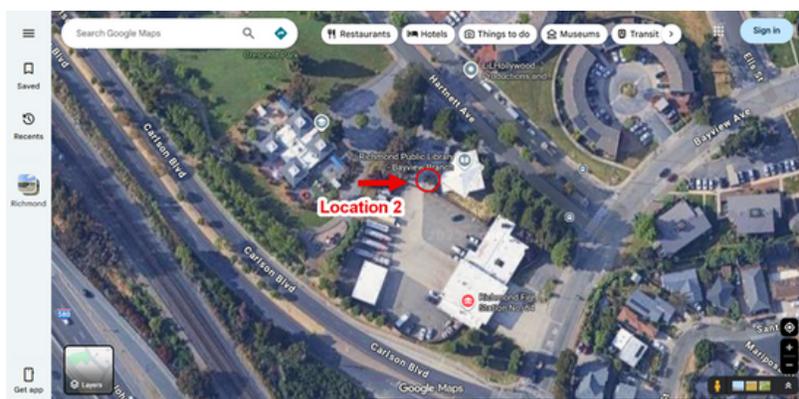
Sandbags

The City has two self-fill sandbag locations for residents.

- **Location 1:** Back gate of the Corporation Yard on Harbour Way at the Richmond Greenway
- **Location 2:** Bayview Library parking lot located at 5100 Hartnett Avenue



Location 1 - Harbour Way at Richmond Greenway



Location 2 - 5100 Hartnett Avenue

Environmental Compliance

Inspections completed:

- Stormwater (autobody/C.3 Development) - 6
- iMS® Cases Opened - 3
- iMS® Cases Closed - 5

Meetings, Conferences/committee meetings attended by staff:

- ArcGIS Online Workgroup Meeting
- Richmond Digested Sludge Monitoring Protocol for Blending & Co-Treatment
- Richmond Feasibility Study Wastewater Prep Meeting
- City of Richmond Source Property Referrals Meeting – Water Board
- Potential Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Project in City of Richmond
- Water Resource Recovery Baykeeper Meeting
- Wastewater Ad Hoc Meeting
- West County Water & City of Richmond Transition Finalization & Operations Agreement Meeting
- California Water Environment Association's Pretreatment, Pollution Prevention, and Stormwater Committee Meeting

Other items of Interest:

Water Resource Recovery staff successfully brought a private construction site back into compliance following improper sediment management that resulted in off-site impacts. Immediate corrective actions were implemented; erosion and sediment controls were reinforced. Creek cleanup efforts associated with the Pacific East Mall are ongoing, with staff coordinating debris removal and restoration activities to protect downstream water quality.

In related regional collaboration, the P3S (Pollution Prevention, Pretreatment, and Stormwater) Committee has completed its grant review process and selected this year's grant recipients. These awarded projects will support pollution prevention outreach, compliance assistance, and water quality improvement efforts across participating communities.



Problems with Your Sanitary Sewer System?

Before you call a plumber, call the City's contracted 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. This service is free and available 24/7, year-round.



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.

Before you have your sanitary sewer lateral replaced, we strongly encourage you to obtain more than one bid. You can find more information on our website:

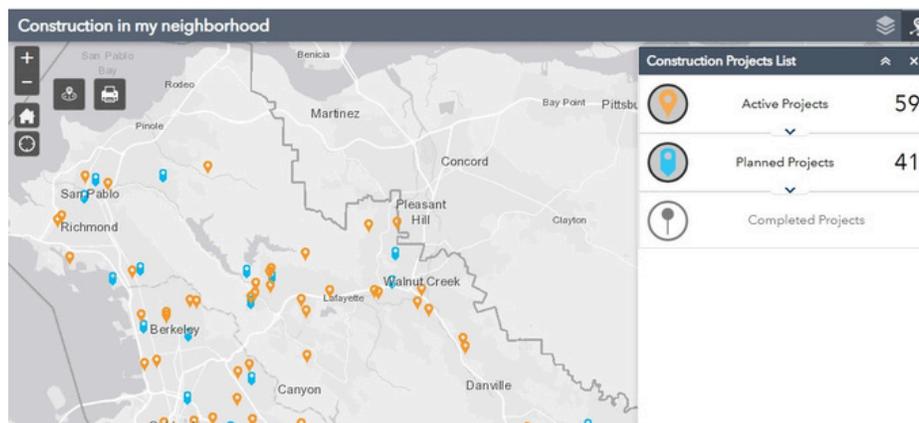
[Form & Handouts | Richmond, CA - Official Website](#)

The program will reimburse applicants up to \$1,800 of the cost of a full sewer line replacement. Funds will be dispersed as grants are received or until the funds are exhausted.

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 not City of Richmond projects. If you have questions, please contact EBMUD at (510) 287-2708. You may also look up active projects at the following website:

[Construction in my neighborhood :: East Bay Municipal Utility District](#)



Fats, Oils & Grease (FOG)

DO NOT POUR GREASE DOWN THE DRAIN! Grease continues to be a problem in the sanitary sewer system and at 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 residents with our "From the Pan to the Can" campaign, we will be giving out free samples of "Fry-Away®" (see sample photo). This powder packet, 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, 2nd floor) for distribution. Please stop by and get your free sample and grease scraper today.



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.

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