



Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the weekly report for the week ending October 24th, 2014.

1. Meeting Notes

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 28th, 2014, beginning with a Closed Session at 5:30 PM, followed by a special meeting of the Richmond Housing Authority at 6:25 PM, and the Richmond Council meeting at 6:30 PM.



2. Help Rebuild Parchester Park Tomorrow

Tomorrow is the day to volunteer to help rebuild Parchester Village Park beginning with registration at 7:30 AM. The playground to be built will serve youth from ages 2 to 12, providing a positive, safe, fun environment for enhancing imagination around play, developing friendships, and serving as the meeting place for building positive childhood memories. The City will also be celebrating Arbor Day, with a tree planting effort hosted by [Richmond Trees](#).

You can still help with this project by:

- Volunteering on Build Day, tomorrow, Saturday, October 25th (all ages and skills welcome)
- Contributing a donation to the project from the wish list
- Donating a monetary gift
- Purchasing the shoe "Petal" from Livie & Luca shoe company. (Livie and Luca are proud sponsors of the park project and 100% of the proceeds support the project.)

To sign up or for more details visit our webpage at:

<http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/parchesterparkproject>

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We hope to see you there!



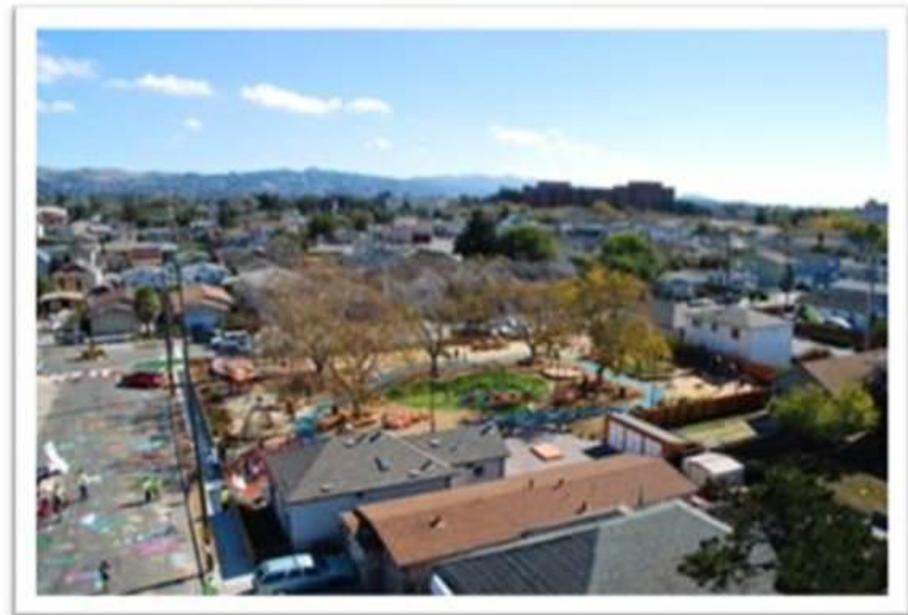
3. Yellow Brick Road Living Preview

On October 17th and 18th, the City Planning Department, Pogo Park, the Local Government Commission, and Fehr + Peers traffic engineers held the “Yellow Brick Road Living Preview” at 7th Street, between Pennsylvania and Ripley Avenues and 8th Street, between Elm and Ripley Avenues.

The “Yellow Brick Road” is a concept that was conceived by youth in the Iron Triangle to create safer walking and biking routes for children and to improve the connection between community services and resources, including schools and parks. The Living Preview tested these assumptions by erecting a 3D model of a streetscape design being considered in the “Yellow Brick Road” Walkable Streets Plan. Community members were able to experience the improvements and provide feedback. Over 300 people participated in the Living Preview, including Congressman George Miller.

The Project Team would like to thank everyone who participated and helped make this event a success, especially the Public Works Department, Fire Department, Engineering Services, Parks Division, and Police Department. This project is made possible through an Environmental Justice Grant from Caltrans.





4. Update on Bringing Ferry Service to Richmond

Capital Improvements Project Manager Chad Smalley and I met with Water Emergency Transit Authority Executive Director Nina Rannells and staff, and John Nemeth, Executive Director for the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee, to discuss the progress in bringing ferry service to Richmond.

At the meeting, WETA staff presented draft points for a Ferry Project Agreement which would provide commute-oriented ferry service between Richmond and San

Francisco. The Richmond Ferry Terminal would be located at the southwestern tip of the Ford Peninsula, adjacent to the Craneway Pavillion.

WETA staff also presented their projected financial forecast of farebox revenues and operating expenditures that would form the basis of a 10-year project funding agreement using Measure J funds as the source of the operating subsidy. Some additional work needs to be done to complete all the steps necessary to provide this Measure J funding guarantee.

We will continue to keep you informed as this important project moves forward.

5. Measure U – Richmond’s One-Half Cent Sales Tax Measure

Registered Richmond voters will be asked to consider how to vote on Measure U, a one-half cent sales tax proposal that appears on the upcoming November 4th ballot. If approved, the additional revenue generated by Measure U will maintain and enhance essential city services, such as public safety, public health and wellness programs, city youth programs, and street paving. Information about Measure U can be found on the City’s website at: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/Finance/MeasureU.

Several informational meetings have been completed for both the public and community organizations, where City Staff presented information and answered questions regarding Measure U. A video of the City Manager’s presentation is also aired several times a day on [KCRT](#).

This past week, all households in Richmond received an informational mailer which provided information about the sales tax in general. Another mailer is being sent again this week to all Richmond households, which will provide information about the proposed street paving component.

City of Richmond
MEASURE U
1/2 Cent Sales Tax Measure



What is Measure U?

Measure U is a ballot measure proposing a one-half cent sales tax to maintain and enhance essential City services such as public safety, public health and wellness programs, City youth programs, and street paving. If Measure U passes, residents would likely pay an average amount slightly less than 10¢ per day in increased sales tax.



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Richmond, CA 94805
Official City Analysis

City of Richmond

MEASURE U

1/2 Cent Sales Tax Measure

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PERMIT NO. 253

What is Richmond's current sales tax rate?
Richmond's sales tax rate is 9.0%, which is less than surrounding communities. If Measure U is passed, the sales tax rate will increase to 9.5%.

What items are exempt from sales tax?

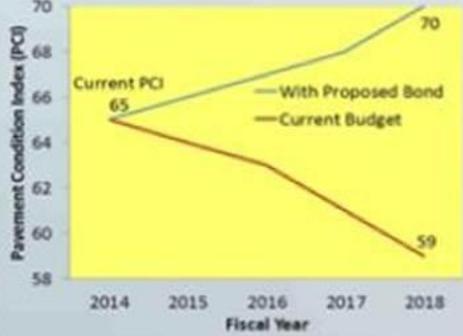
- Food products sold in grocery stores
- Prescription drugs and certain medical supplies
- Energy utilities

A comprehensive list can be found on the Measure U website

As a resident, how much will this cost me?
Richmond residents would likely pay an average amount slightly less than 10¢ per day in increased sales tax. Over half of the Measure U tax will be paid by businesses and non-residents.



How would Measure U impact City streets?
Budget cuts at the state and local level have caused a \$3.75 million reduction in the annual investment to maintain the City's streets. If passed, Measure U is anticipated to yield an additional \$7.5 million in annual revenue. A portion of these funds could be used to pay the annual costs of a \$30 million paving bond. Measure U could help increase the City's Pavement Condition Index nearly 20 percentage points higher than would be achieved by current expenditure levels.



Fiscal Year	Current PCI	With Proposed Bond	Current Budget
2014	65	65	65
2015	65	66	64
2016	65	67	62
2017	65	68	60
2018	65	70	59

How would Measure U impact City services?
The recent economic downturn caused the City Council to severely cut services to police, fire and programs serving youth. The Council has identified the following priorities for the use of Measure U revenues:

- Support neighborhood police patrols to improve resident safety
- Maintain fire staffing levels to ensure rapid response times and support fire prevention programs
- Fix potholes, streets, sidewalks, and street lights
- Maintain recreation and youth development programs
- Preserve library hours, services, and programs
- Maintain Employment and Training opportunities for youth



For more information on Measure U, visit www.RichmondMeasureU.com or call 510-620-6741

6. City Manager Chronicles

I have listed below some of the topics for meetings that I have recently attended in the hope that it provides an idea of the varied issues with which our organization deals routinely.

Activities and meeting topics during the past week included:

- Attended a meeting, along with Police Chief Chris Magnus and Administrative Chief Shasa Curl, with stakeholders for Doctors Medical Center to review the funding proposal that was presented to the City Council this past Tuesday night;

- Met with consultants from the firm of Baker and Tilly, who are completing the operational audit of the Richmond Housing Authority, to discuss project scope and issues for review;
- Met with Joel Mackey, Executive Director of the West County Ed Fund, and Jim Becker, Executive Director of the Richmond Community Foundation, to discuss the Richmond Promise program;
- Met, along with Police Chief Chris Magnus and Police Captain Bisa French, with School Superintendent Bruce Harter and Associate Superintendent Wendell Greer, to discuss the School Resource Officer program and ways to increase its cost-effectiveness;
- Participated on a panel on business-community relationships, along with Police Chief Chris Magnus and Economic Development Manager Janet Johnson, at the Santa Fe Neighborhood Council luncheon;
- Attended the monthly West County Mayors meeting, at which I made a presentation regarding the funding plan for Doctors Medical Center, together with Administrative Chief Shasa Curl;
- Met, together with Capital Improvements Project Manager Chad Smalley, with Water Emergency Transit Authority Executive Director Nina Rannells and staff, and John Nemeth, Executive Director for the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee, to discuss the progress in bringing ferry service to Richmond (see item 4, above);
- Attended the Personnel Board meeting for a grievance appeal; and
- Attended the Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay Working Group meeting.

These meetings were in addition to attending the regular management staff meeting, agenda planning, reviewing staff reports to the City Council, doing department head “check-ins,” having discussions on various personnel matters, and having short discussions with staff, community members, members of the press, etc.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the substance of these or any other topics.

7. Vote by Mail Ballots at City Hall

The City Clerk’s Office is one of several cities in Contra Costa County to partner with the County Elections Office to assist Richmond residents who vote by mail with an easy and convenient location to cast their ballots. A ballot box is available in the lobby of the City Manager’s Office/Clerk’s Office at City Hall for Richmond residents to cast their votes. Residents began casting their ballots on Tuesday, October 14th. The ballot box is available from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Residents can cast their ballots in the Clerk’s Office until 5:00 PM on Election Day, November 4.

A number of residents and staff have informed City Clerk Diane Holmes that they are very pleased that they can come to City Hall and vote instead of mailing their

ballots. The ballot box is locked and unlocked each day by one of the staff in the Clerk's Office, and procedures are in place to detect any possible tampering of the box. County staff will collect ballots once each week leading up to Election Day. On Election Day, the box will be locked at 5:00 PM and staff from the County Elections Office will collect the box and ballots on Wednesday, November 5th. Vote by mail ballots can also be dropped off at any precinct on Election Day. Anyone with questions can contact City Clerk Diane Holmes at (510) 620-6514 or the County Elections Office at (925) 335-7800.

8. Officer Bradley A. Moody Memorial Underpass Project

The Bradley A. Moody Memorial Underpass Project involves the construction of a roadway underpass on Marina Bay Parkway between Meeker Avenue and Regatta Boulevard, and is intended to resolve long-standing access limitations to the Marina Bay area caused by frequent train crossings. In early September 2013, Marina Bay Parkway was closed to traffic. This closure is planned to remain in place until early May 2015.

During the week of October 20th, concrete was poured for one additional section of retaining wall, and rebar placement for retaining walls was completed. Pump station falsework in preparation for the concrete roof formwork, and pump station electrical was also installed. Curb, gutter and sidewalk work continued at the Jetty/Pierson intersection with Marina Bay Parkway and is approximately 90% complete; while curb, gutter and sidewalk work for the east phase, and demolition work for the west phase, of the Meeker intersection with Marina Bay Parkway has started. As noted in prior updates, the work at Meeker will entail the closing of the Marina Bay Parkway entrance to "The Crossings" commercial development for approximately six weeks. All businesses within the complex will remain accessible by the Meeker Avenue entrance.

Additionally, on October 22nd, the streetlights on Marina Bay Parkway south of the project were re-energized.

For the week of October 27th, one retaining wall concrete pour is scheduled and pump station roof hatches and rebar will be installed. Concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk will continue southeast of the Meeker intersection with Marina Bay Parkway, while underground utility work will continue southwest of this intersection.

For additional information and to be added to the project update contact list, please see the project website at www.moodyup.com. You can also follow the project on twitter: @moodyunderpass, or contact the project's Public Outreach Coordinator Jacqueline Majors at (925) 949-6196.

9. Code Enforcement Updates

KTVU recently did a story on Richmond's Code Enforcement contribution to crime reduction efforts in neighborhoods. In the story, several residents comment on the work Code Enforcement has done in their neighborhood and how it has improved and stabilized the area. The story also highlights how other jurisdictions, both locally and nationally, have taken notice and are interested replicating our proactive approach to Code Enforcement.

You can view this excellent story on Richmond's Code Enforcement unit by visiting the following link:

<http://www.ktvu.com/videos/news/richmond-city-breaks-ground-busting-property/vCxmNh/>

The City's Code Enforcement and Abatement team worked together to abate a longstanding issue in the Park Plaza neighborhood. This abandoned, unfenced lot has been a hotspot for illegal dumping with unresponsive absentee owners. Over the past year, the City has removed over 2 tons of illegally dumped "junk" at this location. Code Enforcement obtained a warrant from the court that authorized the construction of a fence to deter dumping. The cost of the fence will be recovered through a lien that has been placed on the property.



Before



In Action



After

10.5th Annual North Richmond Green Festival October

On Saturday, October 25th, the 5th Annual North Richmond Green Festival will be held at the 3rd Street Ball field/Park Fred Jackson Way & Pittsburg Avenue in Richmond from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This will be a fun and informative family event. Some of the fun activities will include live music, raffle prizes, speakers on environmental topics, petting zoo, eco-friendly arts and crafts, games, and health screenings.

Adult and children volunteers interested in planting flowers and vegetables at the Neighborhood House of North Richmond Multicultural Senior and Family Services Center should report to 515 Silver Avenue in Richmond at 9:00 AM (before the festival begins). For more information on the event please call Carla Orozco at (510) 776-7568.



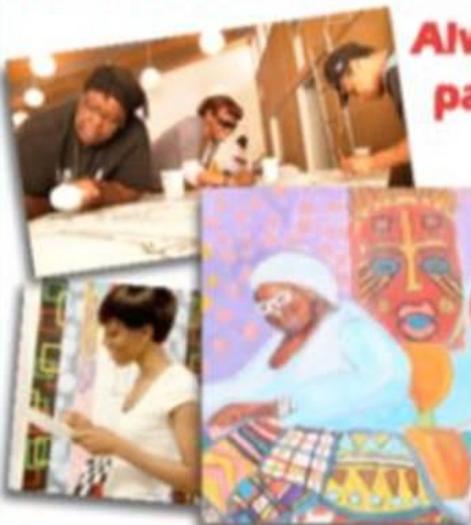
11. Richmond Arts & Culture Commission Features Neighborhood Public Art Mini-Grants 2013-14 in Exhibition

The Richmond Arts & Culture Commission is currently featuring an exhibit open to the public of Neighborhood Public Art (NPA) mini-grant projects from FY 2013-14 in the City Hall lobby at 450 Civic Center Plaza. All eleven projects that were grant recipients are being exhibited, along with photographs and a summary of each one. The grants, which ranged from \$3,000 to \$10,000 per project, included murals, music, a play, mosaics, teen photography, and health education through graphic arts. The exhibit will be up through December 2014.

A total of \$65,000 is awarded annually by the Richmond Arts & Culture Commission (RACC) with funds from the Library & Cultural Services Department. The NPA program is designed to stimulate arts and cultural activity at the neighborhood level, allowing applicants to apply for funding for small, community-related projects. The goal is to enable participants to discover their own self-expression through the arts, teach or learn artistic skills, work with professional artists, and create public art for their own community.

Since it began in 1997, NPA has engaged over 5,000 community members at the hands-on level in arts projects all over the City of Richmond. Initial funding came from a grant from the California Arts Council in 1997. The City of Richmond, always supportive of the arts, matched the grant. The NPA program began with mini-grants ranging from \$100 to \$1,000, with 800 participants. In 2013-14 the spread was from \$3,000 to \$10,000, with 525 participants and thousands impacted by the projects.

On October 23rd and 30th, fifteen new applicants will present their project proposals to the RACC for a new series of grants for FY 2014-15. Their presentations will be judged, and the winners will be selected through a scoring process. The results will be announced in November, when the new grantees will begin their work. The success of the NPA program has significantly increased exposure to the community in the area of arts and culture, and provides hands-on artistic training for those who may never have had this experience before. The Neighborhood Public Art Mini-Grant Program is something that has become tremendously popular, and is a program of which the City of Richmond can be proud.



FREE Art Builds Community Workshop

Always wanted to paint a MURAL?

- ▶ *Youth And Seniors Creating Together*
- ▶ *Everyone Welcome*
- ▶ *No Experience Needed*
- ▶ *Screening Of Short Film About Master Muralist, Edythe Boone*
- ▶ *Hands-on Art Activity*
- ▶ *Lunch Provided*

The Mural Project

What
A mural painting for display in Richmond public space

When
Saturday, July 12, 2014
10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Where
Richmond Public Library
325 Civic Center Plaza

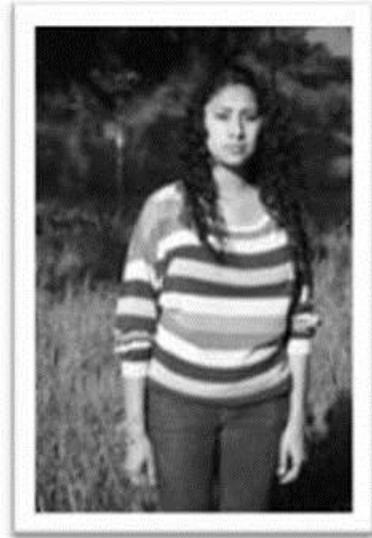
How

For Info and to RSVP, contact:
La Juana Clark
510.684.9266
lclark@lifelongmedical.org

Marlene "Mo" Morris
510.928.0858
anewcolor.doc@gmail.com







The 2013-14 grants were awarded to the following projects:

1. *Harbour-8 Murals on the Greenway* (Toody Maher/Pogo Park) will transform Harbour-8 Park on the Richmond Greenway by completing a mural series reflecting social cohesion, creating a vibrant community space, and installing an art-covered storage container for gardening tools and supplies. Grant: \$6,000
2. *Alive & Free Mural* (Richard Muro) will paint a mural at the corner of Harbour Way/Macdonald Avenue highlighting principles of *Alive & Free Richmond*, an organization promoting ways to reduce gun violence, promote cultural unity, and make civic/community partnerships. Grant: \$3,000
3. *American Teenager Project Photo Installation* (Julia Hollinger/American Teenager Project) will engage Richmond youth in the production of a photographic exhibition, using themselves as subjects, through a program called Unlock the Talk; the exhibition will be at the Richmond Art Center in January 2014. Grant: \$9,000
4. *Water-Writes Mural* (Nancy Hernandez/Estria Foundation) will create the 10th mural of a series about water and how to create a cleaner, safer environment;

community input and research will guide the imagery; location TBD. Grant: \$10,000

5. *Veterans Mural* (Rhonda Williams/Veterans Resource Program) will create a mural honoring veterans, engaging the veteran population in the concept and painting of the mural; site will be at the Veteran's Resource Building on Harbour Way in Richmond. Grant: \$4,000
6. *Po' Boys Kitchen: a Spoken Word Theater Piece* (RAW Talent/Molly Raynor) will create a spoken word theater production written and performed by Richmond youth at the De Anza High School Theater; youth workshops will be held in theater arts, social justice, leadership and other topics. Grant: \$10,000
7. *Health Watch 411, Presenting an Art Attack*, (Fred Franklin) will use graphic posters created by the artist and youth interns to promote health, wellness, and encourage good eating and fitness habits of Iron Triangle residents by placing posters in local stores, business lobbies, community centers, etc. Grant: \$2,000
8. *Trashcan Treasure Boxes* (Daud Abdullah) will engage the community in workshops to create mosaic art on city trashcans, which are placed throughout the city as examples of community art inspiring us to be creative and to "stash our trash." Grant: \$3,000
9. *Youth Voice and Community Empowerment Mural* (Veronica Orozco/Ryse Youth Center) will create a vibrant culture of young muralists reflecting youth voices to complete the mural on the Macdonald side of the Ryse Center. Grant: \$5,500
10. *We Can Live As One* (Kathryn Stambaugh/Lifelong Medical Care) will create mural classes taught by Bay Area renowned artist, Edythe Boone at public housing locations in Richmond; project will culminate in a public painting and educational workshop at the Richmond Public Library or other central location. Grant: \$8,500
11. *Washington Elementary Music Project* (Kit Eakle/Connie Calderon) will provide a music program at Washington Elementary School that gives students hands-on music making experiences with professional musicians, and a look into the possibility of music as a profession. Grant: \$4,000

12. Baywalk Mixed Use Project

The Notice of Availability and Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (NOA) for the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Baywalk Mixed Use project was issued on October 9th. The NOA is available on the project webpage at <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=2927>.

The Baywalk project site comprises approximately 10 acres of land located at 830 Marina Way South. A total of 255 townhomes (155 townhomes and 99 live-work townhomes) are proposed as a three-story, mixed use development with a business and fitness center. Comments on the content of the draft MND should be provided at the earliest possible date, but no later than November 24, 2014. Comments should be in writing and sent to Jonelyn Whales, Planning & Building Services Department, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804 or via email at Jonelyn_Whales@ci.richmond.ca.us.

13. Nevin Homes Residential Projects

The Planning and Building Services Department released a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Nevin Homes affordable residential project on September 23rd. A public study session requesting comments from the Planning Commission was held on October 6th. Comments on the project and content of the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) were provided to staff. Additional comments may be provided by the public. The posted comment period was extended by staff from October 23rd to November 10th. Comments should be in writing and sent to Jonelyn Whales, Planning & Building Services Department, 450 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804 or via email at Jonelyn_Whales@ci.richmond.ca.us.

14. Second Annual Health Promoters Conference

On Saturday, October 25th, the 2nd Annual Health Promoters in Action: Planting Seeds for Change conference will be held from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Richmond Civic Auditorium. The conference is planned for health promoters, health conductors, and community leaders who are interested in improving the health of the community. FREE continental breakfast and a healthy lunch will be provided!

The first 50 to register will receive a gift the day of the event. Please visit this link to register: <http://seedsforchange.eventbrite.com>.

The conference is bilingual (Spanish translations services provided). Child care will *not* be available. For registration assistance contact (925) 727-7442.



**2nd Annual
Health Promoters in Action:
Planting seeds for change**

**Saturday October 25th, 2014
9:00am – 3:00pm**

**Richmond Civic Auditorium
403 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804**

A conference for health promoters, health conductors, and community leaders who are interested in improving the health of the community.

FREE continental breakfast and healthy lunch will be provided!

Workshops

- Healthy Eating
- Sexual Health
- Communication and Conflict Resolution
- Financial Health
- Professional Development in Public Health
- Healthy Lifestyle and Stress Management
- Environmental Health
- ACA 101



Agenda

- 8:30am to 9:00am Registration/Breakfast
- 9:00am to 9:45am Welcome
Video and Panel: Planting the seed
- 10:00am to 11:30am Workshops
- 11:45am to 12:30pm Networking Lunch and
- 12:45pm to 2:15pm Workshops
- 2:30pm to 3:00pm Evaluations and reflex

*Resource Tables from 8:30am-12:30pm

The first 50 to register will receive a gift the day of the event. Please visit the link below to register:

www.healthpromotersinaction.com

Conference 1+ 1000 seats (open until registrations capacity is reached).

Unfortunately child care will not be available.

For registration assistance contact:
Estela Cerda (415) 727-7442

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**2nd Anual
Promotores en Acción:
Sembrando semillas para el cambio**

**Sábado 25 de Octubre del 2014
9:00am – 3:00pm**

**Richmond Civic Auditorium
403 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond, CA 94804**

Una conferencia para promotores de salud, conductores de salud, y líderes en la comunidad que están interesados en mejorar la calidad de vida y salud de la comunidad.

¡Desayuno continental y almuerzo saludable completamente GRATIS!

Talleres

- Comer saludable
- Salud sexual
- Desarrollo profesional en salud pública
- Vida saludable y manejo de estrés
- Salud financiera
- Salud ambiental
- Cuidado de salud 101
- Comunicación y resolución de conflictos



Agenda

- 8:30am to 9:00am Registro/Desayuno
- 9:00am to 9:45am Bienvenida
Video y Panel: Sembrando la semilla
- 10:00am to 11:30am Talleres
- 11:45am to 12:30pm Almuerzo
- 12:45pm to 2:15pm Talleres
- 2:30pm to 3:00pm Evaluaciones y Reflex

*Feria de recursos de 8:30am-12:30pm

Los primeros 50 en registrarse recibirán un regalo especial el día del evento. Para registrarse, visita a

www.sembrando semillas.inaction.com

Esta conferencia es bilingüe. Hablemos servicios de interpretación en español.

Desafortunadamente no se ofrecerá cuidado de niños.

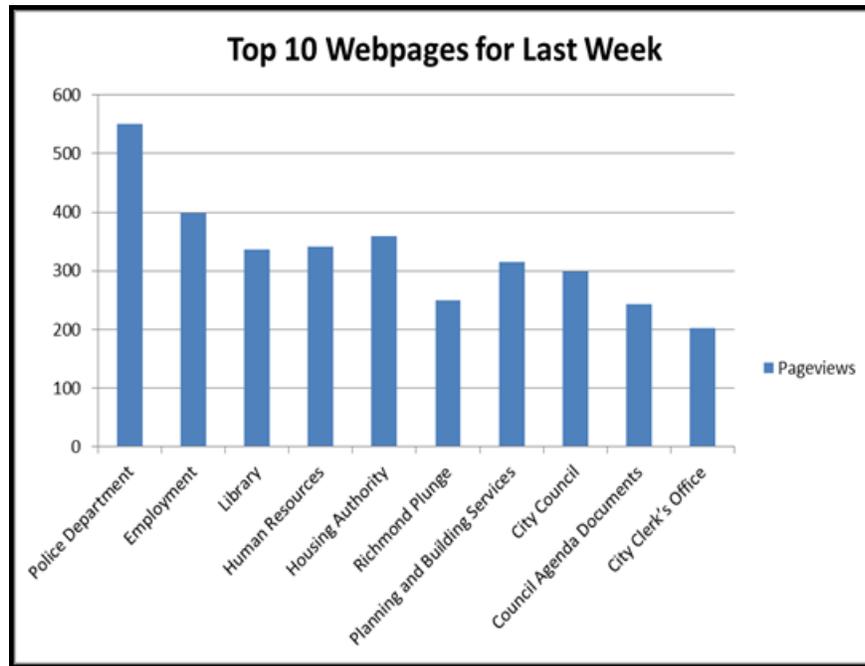
Para ayuda con el proceso de registro, llama a:
Estela Cerda (415) 727-7442

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15. Information Technology (IT) Department Updates

For the week ending October 20, 2014:



KCRT - Candidates Night Replay:

KCRT's 2014 Richmond Mayor and City Council Candidates Night
Both specials airing back to back (KCRT)

Tue	11/04/14	02:00 PM	KCRT-TV Ch 28/99
Mon	11/03/14	08:00 PM	KCRT-TV Ch 28/99

Election 2014 Preview: Richmond City Council - Short Term (CCTV)

Tue	11/04/14	09:30 AM	KCRT-TV Ch 28/99
Thu	10/30/14	10:30 PM	KCRT-TV Ch 28/99
Mon	10/27/14	09:30 AM	KCRT-TV Ch 28/99

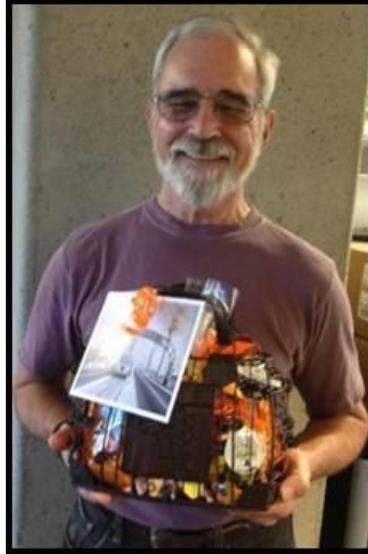
Datanet Images of the Week



FREE FIX DAY!
Saturday, October 25, 2014
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, De Anza High School, Small Gym
For information, (510) 231-1440 x 27046

Throwback Thursday: Winner

Congratulations Lynn Maack on winning the City of Richmond Throwback Thursday Trivia on the Historical Richmond Sign.



Lynn Maack receiving his prize.

Throwback Thursday: Featuring Richmond California History

Do you recognize this fish? Where is it located? What is its name? What is hidden behind the scales? All correct answers posted in the comments before 8:00 AM on the following Thursday will be entered into a drawing for a prize. In addition to your comments, if you **LIKE** this page, you will be entered twice.



<https://www.facebook.com/pages/City-of-Richmond-CA-Local-Government/139438544014?v=wall>

16. Recreation Highlights

Aquatics

The Richmond Plunge held the 5th annual Richmond Recreation Floating Pumpkin Patch. Children and adults alike had a grand time both swimming with pumpkins and picking them out from the water. Aquatics staff festively decorated the Plunge and participants were especially in awe of the two pumpkins that staff carved with the City of Richmond insignia and mantra. The turnout was excellent, and, with all the positive feedback, we only expect the event to grow bigger and better next year!





Seniors

The Richmond Senior Center will host its 11th Annual Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25th, from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM. There will be a costume contest, Zumba performances and many other activities. Cost is only \$7.00 per person.

DPRC

Both adult and youth participants are getting the center decorated for the annual Disabled People's Recreation Center's Halloween Dance, which is co-sponsored by the Friend's of Disabled Children Inc. The dance provides a fun and safe environment for individuals with developmental disabilities from the ages of 16 to 60 who enjoy dancing and socialization. It is one of the events at DPRC that our participants and staff really enjoy!

17. Public Works Updates

Facilities Maintenance Division: Carpenters repaired the apparatus door at Fire Station #61, replaced broken glass at 450 Civic Center Plaza, completed the employee area at the Main Library, and addressed safety issues at various locations.



Main Library Employee Area

Painters have finished the restroom floors at the Parchester Community Center, and have begun working on the kitchen.

Stationary Engineers restored the exhaust system at Fire Station #66, repaired the broken water supply at Fire Station #62, replaced the exhaust fans at the Plunge, and continued with repairs to the boiler at 440 Civic Center Plaza.

Parks and Landscaping Division: Crews continued irrigation and soil replacement along the Richmond Parkway, continued with the rehabilitation of Shields Reid and Parchester Park, replaced broken swings at Lamoine and Nicholl Parks, weeding around Civic Center Plaza, installed a drinking fountain at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park, attended to vandalism at Nicholl Park, and trimmed shrubs at Tiller Park and the Main Library.



Parchester Park Rehabilitation



Richmond Parkway Soil Replacement

Tree crews trimmed or cut trees on Lincoln Avenue between 20th and 23rd Streets, South 17th Street, McLaughlin Avenue, and Roosevelt Avenue.

Streets Division: Staff grinded and paved on Stephen Drive from Santa Rita Road to Utah Road, conducted storm patrol as well as worked from the outstanding pothole and sidewalk list.



Grinding on Stephen Drive

Street sweeping performed commercial and residential sweeping services for the third Monday and Tuesday and the fourth Wednesday through Friday in the North Richmond, Iron Triangle, North Belding Woods, Metro Richmond Village, Pullman, Cortez/Stege, Park Plaza, Laurel Park, City Center, Richmond Annex, Parkview, Panhandle Annex, and Eastshore neighborhood council areas.

Signs and Lines staff fabricated 68 new signs, installed 17 new signs and poles, repaired 39 signs and poles, reinstalled buttons, and located faded or missing signs to be replaced on the Richmond Parkway.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.

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