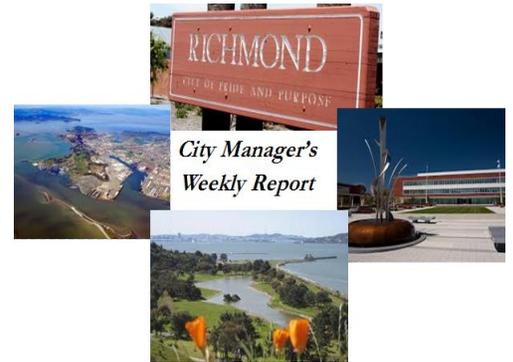




Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the report for the week ending April 28, 2017.



## 1. Meeting Notes

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning with Closed Session at 5:15 PM, followed by the Regular Meeting of the Richmond Housing Authority at 6:25 PM, and with the Council's regular meeting at 6:30 PM. The agenda may be found by clicking this link: [Richmond City Council Agenda Packet](#).

## 2. Richmond Wellness Trail Vision

Two years ago, the City of Richmond and Rosie the Riveter/World War II Home Front National Historical Park (RORI) became one of 10 model cities to host an Urban Fellow to activate the Urban Agenda. (See <https://youtu.be/Kr-htjSruzY> for more information.) Former City of Richmond Associate Planner Kieron Slaughter was selected for the two-year assignment as the Richmond Urban Fellow with the National Park Service (NPS), and was the project manager for the Urban Agenda, city-specific initiative and capstone project.

As part of his project, Mr. Slaughter received technical assistance from the NPS Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA) and a Californian Endowment grant from the Local Government Commission. At the end of a year of community engagement and design work that enlisted local government, Richmond residents, community based organizations, and the healthcare industry, Kieron helped envision the *Richmond Wellness Trail* (RWT). The concept of the RWT is for a safe link to areas in the Iron Triangle neighborhood to the San Francisco Bay and Richmond Marina. The RWT identifies deficiencies in existing health and transportation systems, and provides specific recommendations to improve multimodal connectivity to parks, open space and transit.

At its most recent meeting, the Richmond City Council heard an interesting presentation on the Richmond Wellness Trail Vision Plan (RWT) and unanimously approved this vision as a formal policy document. The RWT implements and supports numerous goals in several adopted City planning documents such as the

General Plan 2030, Climate Action Plan, Pedestrian Plan, Bicycle Master Plan and the South Richmond Transportation Connectivity Plan.

Key partners on this effort included Groundwork Richmond, Rich City Rides Co-Op Bicycle Shop, Bike East Bay, Richmond Museum of History, East Bay Center for the Performing Arts, Urban Tilth, Friends of the Richmond Greenway, Pogo Park and the Institute at the Golden Gate.

To access the City Council presentation, and to receive more information on the Richmond Willness Trail, click here:

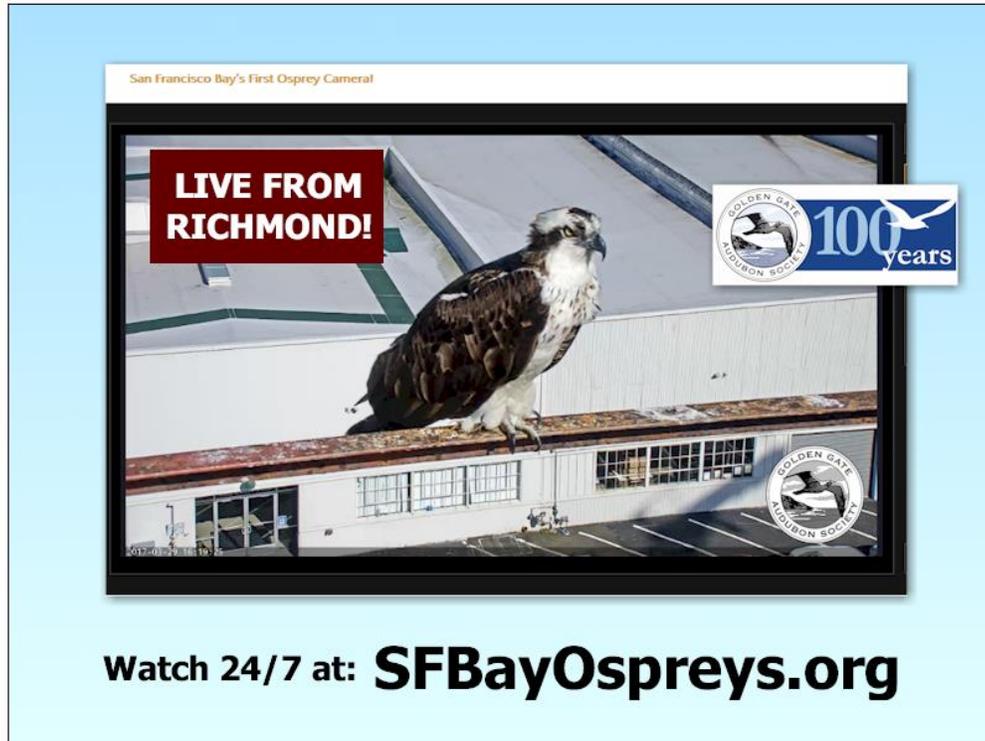
<http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/documentcenter/view/41869> .

### **3. An Osprey Sister City, or “Birds of a Feather...”**

As previously reported in this weekly report, and thanks to the Golden Gate Audubon Society, the San Francisco Bay area – and the world – can get an astonishing view into the life of an intrepid pair of ospreys that are nesting in Richmond, thanks to the launch of the region’s first live streaming osprey nest camera. The live video stream, viewable at <http://SFBayOspreys.org>, allows the world to enjoy close and personal views of an osprey pair – named *Rosie* and *Richmond* – as they raise young over the next several months. The video stream also captures the magnificent views of San Francisco Bay.

It turns out that our namesake in Richmond, Virginia also has an osprey cam, with a live feed of a pair of ospreys nesting on a Richmond-Petersburg Railroad bridge piling on the James River (<https://www.richmondospreycamera.com/>). The Richmond, Virginia ospreys even have baby chicks adorning their nest, although my (unbiased) opinion is that Rosie and Richmond enjoy a better view.

Check it out!



#### 4. 8th Annual Northern California Summit on Children and Youth

The [Richmond Community Foundation](#) (RCF) is partnering once again with the West Contra Costa Unified School District in helping to introduce students to industry leaders and local employers at the *8th Annual Northern California Summit on Children and Youth: Building the Next Generation Workforce* on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.

This year's summit focuses on ensuring that our young community members (up and coming high school graduates) are prepared to fill the employment opportunities that we know will be available in our region in the coming years. The event will also help employers and industry leaders understand how to strategically and effectively build our next generation workforce.

This convening will attract educators, community organizations, community leaders, local government and elected officials, businesses, and area foundations from throughout Northern California to share innovative approaches, research-driven models, and best practices for supporting children and youth.

Featured speakers for this event will include:

- **Ryan J. Smith**, Executive Director, [The Education Trust-WEST](#)
- **Robin D. Lopez**, Research Associate, [Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory](#)
- **Superintendent Matt Duffy**, [West Contra Costa School District](#)

**Register today for the 8th Annual Northern California Summit on Children and Youth! [Click here for more details!](#)**



## **5. City Manager Chronicles**

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

Meetings of note this past week included:

- Attended the Technical Advisory Committee meeting for the First Mile/Last Mile transportation study;
- Attended the fourth meeting of the Council-directed budget committee of the City's seven bargaining units;
- Attended a status check-in meeting of City staff members working on the Nystrom United Revitalization Effort (NURVE);
- Met with members of Finance Director Belinda Warner's budget team to finalize the initial draft of the City's FY 2017-18 budget;
- Attended the monthly City finance review meeting with Finance Department staff;
- Attended the second meeting of the Rent Board;
- Attended the final Y-Plan (Youth – Plan, Learn, Act Now) project presentations made by students from Richmond high School and De Anza High School, held in the Richmond City Council Chambers;
- Attended the monthly West County Mayors and Supervisors meeting;
- Attended a grant administration "kick-off" meeting with Caltrans staff, along with Project Manager Lori Reese-Brown, related to grant-funded the First Mile/Last Mile study;

- Met with the finance team for the contemplated wastewater capital project financing program.

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.

## **6. Richmond Promise Middle School College Fair**

The Richmond Promise understands that it’s never too early to plan to attend college.

The Middle School College Fair is a component of the Richmond Promise Ambassador Program, which aims to support WCCUSD’s goal to build a college-going culture by structuring near-peer college conversations, and positive college experiences for students early on. In this event, 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will serve as college representatives, and present their colleges to middle school students, families, and community partners.

The College Fair will be Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, from 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM and 12:50 PM - 2:20 PM, at DeJean Middle School.

### **Opportunities for Participation:**

- **Attend!** Join us at this event! [RSVP here](#) to confirm attendance! [www.celebratecollege.eventbrite.com](http://www.celebratecollege.eventbrite.com)
- **Table!** Do you offer a resource or a program that is beneficial to Richmond families and college-going high school students? Consider providing a table! **Contact Richmond Promise to confirm your spot:** [info@richmondpromise.org](mailto:info@richmondpromise.org)



## 7. Celebrate National Bike Month Bike Month in Richmond & the East Bay

May is National Bike Month! Spring is the time to get bicycling again, and to enjoy the many benefits of riding that include:

- Saving money on gas, parking and transit;
- Bypassing congested traffic or transit schedules;
- Reveling in the convenience of the door to door commute and hassle free parking;
- Getting 40 minutes of exercise (the average commute), which directly improves physical and mental health.

There are plenty of great options to celebrate National Bike Month in Richmond and in the greater East Bay. Please use the following link for a short guide to getting started to enjoy Bike Month to the full, and don't forget to mark your calendars for Bike to Work Day on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

<http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/42152>





## 8. Free Energy Efficiency Workshop for Richmond Homeowners

Looking to reduce energy use, increase comfort, and add value to your home - plus get incentives and rebates? Learn how to save money and make your home more energy efficient at the FREE homeowner workshop sponsored by the Bay Area Regional Energy Network and hosted by Contra Costa County and the City of Richmond.

At this FREE event:

- Find out about rebates of up to \$5,500 available through the Bay Area Regional Energy Network;
- Learn about the co-benefits of energy efficiency including health and comfort;
- Obtain information about cost-effective programs and measures that can save energy and money.

Property owners are encouraged to attend the free workshop on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Richmond City Council Chambers at 440 Civic Center Plaza.

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM: Registration, complimentary snacks, and refreshments

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM: Workshop Presentation

RSVP today at <https://richmond-homeownerworkshop-may01.eventbrite.com>

For more information, contact Lorin Fink at [Lorin.fink@clearResult.com](mailto:Lorin.fink@clearResult.com) or (650) 226-4010 ext. 8004.

Further details on the Home Upgrade program are available online at [www.bayareaenergyupgrade.org](http://www.bayareaenergyupgrade.org).



**ATTENTION BAY AREA HOMEOWNERS:**

**Make Your Home More Energy Efficient!!**  
**Rebates Available from \$1,000 - \$6,500!!**

*Learn more at a **FREE** homeowner workshop sponsored by the Bay Area Regional Energy Network and hosted by the City of Richmond & Contra Costa County.*

**Richmond Homeowner Energy Efficiency Workshop**

**Date:** Monday, May 1, 2017

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Place:** Richmond City Hall - City Council Chambers  
440 Civic Center Plaza  
Richmond, CA 94804



Learn more at [BayAreaEnergyUpgrade.org](http://BayAreaEnergyUpgrade.org)

Complimentary refreshments and snacks available from 6:00pm-6:30pm

RSVP today at <https://richmond-homeownerworkshop-may01.eventbrite.com>




Energy Upgrade California™ Home Upgrade provides assistance and incentives for home improvement projects that can reduce energy use and make homes more comfortable. This statewide program is managed locally by utilities and regional energy networks and directed by the California Public Utilities Commission in collaboration with the California Energy Commission. Funding comes from utility customers under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Incentives are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are effective until funding is expended or the program is discontinued. Programs may be modified or terminated without prior notice. ©2015 Energy Upgrade California. Trademarks are property of their respective owners. All rights reserved.

## 9. First Annual “Taste of Richmond”

Help celebrate the diverse food, beverage, music, and culture of Richmond at the first annual “Taste of Richmond”. This event will feature samples for Richmond’s diverse food and beverage scene, and will introduce guests to spectacular sweeping views of the San Francisco Bay, the San Francisco skyline, and Richmond’s treasured shoreline. Local restaurants, caterers, and beverage establishments, including R&B Cellars, Carica Wines, Irish Monkey Cellars, Far West Cider Company, East Brother Beer Company, and others will offer limited tastes of both food and beverages.

The First Annual Taste of Richmond will be on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Riggers Loft Winery in the Historic Point Richmond Ship Building District, presented by the City of Richmond Economic Development Commission.

All samples and tastes are included in the single admission price of \$12.00 or two tickets for \$20.00. Children under 10 are admitted free.

Please join us for this “tasteful” event. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit: [www.taste-of-richmond.eventbrite.com](http://www.taste-of-richmond.eventbrite.com).

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MAY 20TH, 2017 · 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
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## **10. Richmond's Food Emporium Relunched**

[Food Emporium](#), Richmond's very own version of Off the Grid, returns to Hilltop Lake Park for its spring kickoff this Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM, and it's bigger and better than ever!

Come out for an afternoon of fun for all ages – a jump house, mini car show, live music, and art activities. And, of course, food trucks will be making their way over to serve you delicious meals, including local favorites [That's My Dog](#), [Kim's Louisiana Fried Turkey & Stuff](#), and [Curbside Kitchen](#)!

Food Emporium is run by the community, for the community. Join us in creating a fun and family-friendly space for residents to come together and check out everything Richmond has to offer. We hope you'll stop by!



## **11. Fire Department Promotion**

Fire Engineer Kirk Gross was promoted to the rank of Fire Captain, effective April 20<sup>th</sup>. Captain Gross has been a member of the Richmond Fire Department since 2012, and has a degree in kinesiology from Cal Poly, and California State fire certifications in various rescue disciplines, including trench, confined space, and vehicle extrication. Captain Gross will supervise a fire station crew at Station 67 on Cutting Boulevard, which houses one of our two rescue vehicles. He will lead his crew at emergencies incidents and be responsible for their training in all phases of firefighting, rescue, fire prevention, and resuscitation.

In addition to his fire department responsibilities, Captain Gross and his wife have previously volunteered at the Kings Club After School Youth Program, part of the Bay Area Rescue Mission in Richmond, where they mentored students. Captain Gross also took his experience and joined the Tallahassee Haiti Medical Group in Dumay, Haiti to assist the Haitian people after their devastating earthquake in 2011.

Captain Gross believes his new position as Captain will allow him to continue making a positive impact on Richmond and looks forward to serving the community for many years to come.



**12. Office of Neighborhood Safety Operations Administrator Elected to Serve as Second Vice President for the National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBA)**

Tammi Edwards, Operations Administrator for the City of Richmond's Office of Neighborhood Safety (ONS), was recently elected to serve as Second Vice President of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators Oakland/San Francisco Bay Area Chapter. The Second Vice President is responsible for program development and serves as the Chairperson of the Program Development Committee. Ms. Edwards is responsible for managing the daily administrative operations of the Office of Neighborhood Safety. She provides fiscal coordination of grant funded programs designed to address gun violence prevention and intervention initiatives that foster greater community well-being and public safety.

The National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA) is the principal and most progressive organization dedicated to the advancement of black public leadership in local and state governments. The NFBPA is an independent, nonpartisan, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1983. With over 2,500 members, the NFBPA has established a national reputation for designing and implementing quality leadership development initiatives of unparalleled success. The members are leaders and managers of public programs and agencies in more than 350 jurisdictions nationwide. Thirty-six chapters support the growth of NFBPA at the local level.

### **13. STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) at the Richmond Public Library**

The Richmond Public Library offers STEAM activities every month on Fun Fridays and STEAM Saturdays.

The next two STEAM days will be Fun Fridays on May 5<sup>th</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM. Each session has three stations with opportunities to explore. In the past, STEAM has offered: Squishy Circuits (circuits through play dough to light LEDs), building towers with various materials, making parachutes to test wind resistance, and making a parfait to show the density of different liquids.

We invite young people, ages 6-13, to join in to explore electricity, chemistry, physics, math, and art and crafts and have a lot of fun while doing it! We hope to see you next Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

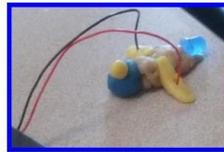
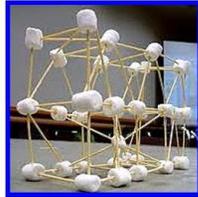


## Fun Fridays (STEAM)

May 5 @3:30pm. June 2 @3:30pm.  
For Ages 6-13

Explore science concepts, combine, make and build!

**Chemistry concoctions. Electric circuits. Terrariums.  
Towers. Marble runs. Lego creations.**



Richmond Public Library  
325 Civic Center Plaza  
Madeline F. Whittlesey Community Room  
Questions? Call the Children's Room:  
510-620-6557



Wheelchair accessible. Se habla español.  
[www.richmondlibrary.org](http://www.richmondlibrary.org)



### 14. Library Program Free Comic Book Day May 6<sup>th</sup>

The Richmond Public Library is partnering with the D3 Comic Spot to bring Free Comic Book Day to Richmond. Free Comic Book Day is a single day when participating comic book specialty shops across North America and around the world give away comic books absolutely free to anyone who comes into their shops. It will take place on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> in the Madeline F. Whittlesey Community Room of the main library from 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM.

# FREE COMIC BOOK DAY!

## MAY 6TH 2017



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May 6, 2017

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**12:30PM-4:30PM  
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325 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA  
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INFORMATION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES:  
RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL MAKE REASONABLE  
ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THAT  
ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING LIBRARY PROGRAMS.

### 15. The (Library) Branches are Blooming!

Last Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, the Bayview Branch Library staff hosted a “Make a Terrarium” Program for an early Earth Day.

After an initial hesitance to leave the computer, kids were drawn to the back patio. Soon they were enthusiastically making a terrarium or two. They were excited about the idea of making a garden they can take home with them. After one participant filled a few jars, she helped her youngest brother make his own terrarium – with a little too much sisterly help? As other kids came over after school, the numbers grew. A few adults who heard about it came back with grandkids and neighbor kids. In total, there were 12 participants, and 15 terrariums were made.

Thanks go to Library staff who donated mason jars, succulents, and spider plant cuttings over the past few months. Thanks also to Annie's Annuals for donating the loose potting soil. Finally, thanks to volunteer Mary P, who provided the charcoal for a similar terrarium program this past February.

What a wonderful time to celebrate and learn about growth and gardens in our beautiful backyard at Bayview.



## **16. 2017 Richmond Writes! Poetry Contest Awards**

Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> was the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Richmond Writes! Poetry Contest Awards, and, as usual, the City Council Chambers was packed! The highlight of the evening was the winning students reading their poems, with this year's theme being "What Matters?" Students wrote about the things they feel most strongly about, that get their energy going, or that they would like to see happen in the future.

Aside from the expected group of proud students, parents, poetry judges, and art commissioners...something was different this year. The 2017 poetry contest had twice the number of winners as in previous years: thirteen 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners, thirteen 2<sup>nd</sup> Place winners, thirteen 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners, and sixty-one Honorable Mentions for a total of one-hundred winners! The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners received over \$1,500 in gift cards, and a total of 231 students from fourteen WCCUSD elementary, middle, and high schools entered this year's contest.

Part of the reason for the increase of awards was the fact that, since the City of Richmond's Copy Center is able to produce the poetry books so economically (and so professionally), the funds could go instead towards cash awards for the students. The awards were sponsored by the Raymond Family Foundation. Each award winner received a 2017 Richmond Writes! poetry book and a certificate from Katy Curl, Library & Cultural Services Director.



### **17. RYSE Presents the Third Annual Production of *Richmond Renaissance***

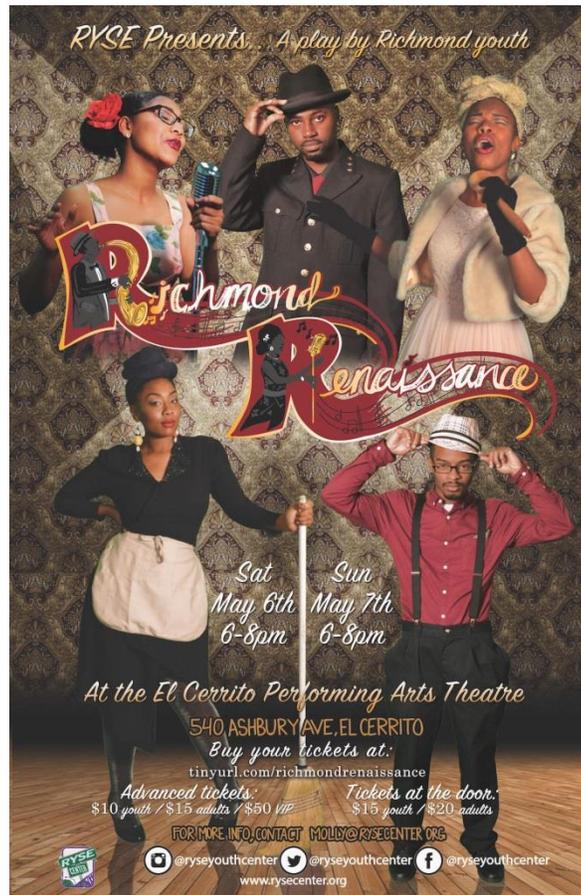
RYSE will be presenting its third annual production of *Richmond Renaissance*, at the El Cerrito Performing Arts Theater on May 6th and 7th.

Set in AnnaBelle's, a black-owned juke joint in 1940's North Richmond, *Richmond Renaissance* is an original play written and performed by Richmond youth. The production counters the often negative Richmond narrative of poverty and violence, and highlights the community's rich cultural past as an epicenter for blues, jazz and zydeco.

Written by RYSE Performing Arts Assistant DeAndre Evans, the play's cast features all Richmond youth. It is directed by Richmond native Safiya Fredericks, and former poet laureate Donté Clark.

*Richmond Renaissance* takes place Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at El Cerrito Performing Arts Theater, 540 Ashbury. Advance

tickets are \$15 for adults (24 and older) and \$10 for youth, and can be purchased at the RYSE Center, 205 41st Street in Richmond or online at: [tinyurl.com/richmondrenaissance](http://tinyurl.com/richmondrenaissance). Tickets will be available at the door for \$20 for adults and \$15 for youth. VIP packages are also available, with discounted tickets available for groups of 5 or more. Please contact Rasheed Shabazz for more information or visit: [rysecenter.org](http://rysecenter.org).



## **18. Environmental Sustainability Summer Jobs Available for Richmond Youth and Young Adults**

The City of Richmond is partnering with the Rising Sun Energy Center to connect Richmond youth and young adults with the California Youth Energy Services (CYES) program. CYES employs local youth to provide free residential energy and water efficiency installation and education services, or Green House Calls, and operates in six Bay Area and Central Valley counties, including Richmond. Rising Sun is currently recruiting Richmond residents for Energy Specialists and Managers.

Energy Specialist:

Rising Sun is hiring youth ages 15-22 for the Energy Specialist position. On the job, pairs of Energy Specialists visit homes in their communities by pre-scheduled appointments to help residents save water and energy.

### [Energy Specialist Job Description](#)

Application: <https://risingsunenergy.org/job-application/>

### Leader-In-Field-Training (LIFT):

Rising Sun is hiring young people ages 18-24 for the position of LIFT. LIFT will support Energy Specialists in their job of providing no cost installations of water and energy saving devices to residents. LIFT's learn technical and transferable skills working closely with their managers and creating a pathway for them to return as managers.

### [Leader-In-Field-Training \(LIFT\) Job Description](#)

Application: <https://risingsunenergy.org/summer-program-manager-outreach-associate-lift-and-program-assistant-application/>

### Summer Program Manager:

Rising Sun is hiring Summer Program Managers. We are looking for individuals looking to increase their grassroots outreach skills and managerial experience, while gaining a foothold in the non-profit sustainability sector and supporting local youth. SPM's will run the sites and manage and mentor the Energy Specialists who provide energy efficiency assessments and installations to residents.

### [Summer Program Manager Job Description](#)

Application: <https://risingsunenergy.org/summer-program-manager-outreach-associate-lift-and-program-assistant-application/>

## ENERGY SPECIALIST

California Youth Energy Services (CYES)



### EXCITING SUMMER JOB!

Rising Sun hires individuals between the ages of 15 and 22 for the Energy Specialist position with our summer job program, California Youth Energy Services (CYES). On the job, pairs of Energy Specialists visit homes in their communities by pre-scheduled appointments to help residents save energy and water.

At each appointment, Energy Specialists provide, at no cost to the resident:

- A basic energy and water assessment
- Installation of energy- and water-saving devices, including lightbulbs and showerheads
- Energy- and water-saving tips and education
- A solar assessment

**MAKE AT LEAST \$2,100**

Rising Sun provides comprehensive training for all of our Energy Specialists; **no experience is needed**. If you are a hard worker and looking to learn in an exciting and meaningful summer job, we want you to apply!



"Rising Sun is something you do if you want to be a productive and active member in society as well as a contributor to energy and water conservation."

APPLY ONLINE AT  
[WWW.RISINGSUNENERGY.ORG](http://WWW.RISINGSUNENERGY.ORG)



## Summer Program Manager

California Youth Energy Services (CYES)

### MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS SUMMER

Rising Sun is a premier nonprofit organization working at the intersection of economic equality and climate resilience in the greater California Bay Area since 1994. Our CYES program employs local youth to provide free residential energy and water efficiency installation and education services, or Green House Calls, and operates in six Bay Area and Central Valley counties.

This position is a fantastic opportunity for individuals looking to increase their grassroots outreach skills and managerial experience, while gaining a foothold in the nonprofit sustainability sector and supporting local youth. The Summer Program Manager position works with 1-2 co-managers and is supported by Rising Sun permanent staff.

The Summer Program Manager is responsible for:

- Supervision and mentoring of 9-15 youth employees.
- Community outreach to secure Green House Call appointments
- Delivery of program goals and outcomes
- Daily operation of the site office

Apply online:  
[www.risingsunenergy.org](http://www.risingsunenergy.org)



"This has been the most rewarding job I've held. Not only has the job given me skills for my future such as marketing, youth development, and management experience, it has also showed me how to create and maintain a strong community within a work environment."

## 19. Second Annual Richmond Promise Scholars Celebration!

Please join in attending the Second Annual Richmond Promise Scholars Celebration, a great community event to honor Richmond Promise scholars. Take the opportunity to recognize civic and educational partnerships that are critical to the success of these young people, and celebrate what the Promise means to the Richmond community.

The event is free, but space is limited. Student Scholars may bring up to three friends or family members. Please [RSVP online](#) to confirm attendance. Please send inquiries to [info@richmondpromise.org](mailto:info@richmondpromise.org) or call (510) 761-7231. The event will be Thursday, May 25, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium.

### Opportunities for Participation:

- **Attend!** Join us at this event to honor and celebrate Richmond young people attending college! Event is free, but space is limited to 1000 guests, with priority to Richmond students and families. [RSVP here](#) to confirm attendance! <https://rpscholarcelebration.eventbrite.com>

- **Table!** Do you offer a resource or a program that is beneficial to Richmond families and college-going high school students? Consider providing a table at the College Fair! **Contact Richmond Promise to confirm your spot:** [info@richmondpromise.org](mailto:info@richmondpromise.org)



## **20. Community Compost Workshop**

International Compost Awareness Week is May 6<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> and the UC Master Gardeners will be hosting a Community Compost Workshop to celebrate! The event will be at the Richmond Main Library (325 Civic Center Plaza) Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM. This event will feature presentations and demonstrations from the Master Gardeners on hot and cold composting, EBMUD on garden water saving tips, and vermicomposting (worm) bin building. It will cost \$20 to build a vermicomposting bin.

For more information about the event, please visit [ccmg.ucanr.edu/compostweek](http://ccmg.ucanr.edu/compostweek) or call Tom at 925-997-8459.

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UC Master Gardener Program  
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## **Compost! Healthy Soil...Healthy Food!** **International Compost Awareness Week—May 6-14, 2017**

Your plants, the food you grow, the healthy life you want to have...all depend on the health of the soil. Compost makes your soil healthy. Healthy soil makes your plants healthy. Healthy plants make you healthy. It's not that hard.

Come to one or more of our workshops and learn how compost can renew the health of your garden and your life.

**Saturday, May 6**

### **Black Gold for all Your Gardening Needs**

10:30 am - 11:30 am

Walnut Creek Library

Make your own organic, sustainable "Black Gold"  
Joie Spinelli – UC Master Gardener, CompostSMART

**Wednesday May 10**

### **Waterwise Wednesday**

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Ruth Bancroft Garden, 1552 Bancroft Rd, Walnut Creek  
Home Composting for Busy People Workshop at 1:00  
Ask a Master Gardener Q & A

**Sunday May 7**

### **Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour**

10am - 5 pm

Wenninger's Garden

1091 Walker Ave., Walnut Creek

Registration Required:

<http://www.bringingbackthenatives.net/>

**Saturday, May 13**

### **Vermicomposting (Worm) Bin Building—Walnut Creek**

Two sessions: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm & 1:00 - 3:00 pm

UC Master Gardeners Demo Garden, corner of

Shadelands and N. Wiget, Walnut Creek

20 households max per session

\$20.00 per household/bin + worms! (a \$35 value)

Registration Required: <http://www.recyclesmart.org>

**Wednesday May 10**

### **Home Composting Workshop**

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

UC Master Gardeners Demo Garden, corner of  
Shadelands and N. Wiget, Walnut Creek

- Hot/Cold Composting and Vermicomposting
- Apply Your Compost: containers, beds, raised beds
- Using Your Soilsaver Compost Bin
- Contra Costa Water District - Lawn Conversion

**Saturday, May 13**

### **Black Gold for all Your Gardening Needs**

#### **EBMUD – Lawn Conversion & Water Saving**

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Richmond Public Library – 325 Civic Center Plaza

#### **Vermicomposting (Worm) Bin Building—Richmond**

\$20.00 per household/bin + worms! (a \$35 value)

(20 households maximum)

Registration Required: [ccmg.ucanr.edu/CompostWeek](http://ccmg.ucanr.edu/CompostWeek)

## **21. West County Community CPR/AED Training**

Supervisor John Gioia and American Medical Response are co-sponsoring free CPR/AED training at various locations in West Contra Costa County. This hands-on training is offered by professionals in the field, and could help you save a life one day. Please see the flyer below for information on dates, times, and locations where the training will be offered.



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**SAVE LIVES!**

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**WEST COUNTY COMMUNITY  
CPR/AED TRAINING**

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**Supervisor John Gioia & American Medical Response**

Invite you to join us for FREE CPR/AED training!

You can sign up for free to attend any of the following trainings:

**Saturday, May 6 - West County Health Center 10am-12pm** (13601 San Pablo Ave., San Pablo)

**Saturday, May 13 – Point Richmond Community Center 10:30am-12:30pm** (139 Washington Ave. Richmond) Co-sponsored with the City of Richmond & Richmond Swims

**Saturday, May 20 - Richmond Civic Center 10am-12pm** (403 Civic Center Plaza, Multi-Purpose Room, Richmond) Co-sponsored with the City of Richmond

**Saturday, May 27 –Public Safety Building 10am-12pm** (880 Tennent Ave. Alex Clark Room, Pinole) Co-sponsored with the City of Pinole

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**Hands-Only CPR/AED Training (no certificate given)**

**YOU can be the one who saves someone's life!**

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For more info & to RSVP, please call (510) 231-8686  
or email Sonia Bustamante at [sonia.bustamante@bos.cccounty.us](mailto:sonia.bustamante@bos.cccounty.us)

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## **22. Community Services Highlights**

**Save the Date! ServiceWorks is Hosting a Bootcamp!**



**SERVICEWORKS** 

**SERVICEWORKS BOOTCAMP**  
WHERE YOU CAN BECOME A LEADER  
04.29.17 | SATURDAY | 9AM-4PM  
SERVICEWORKSRICHMONDBOOTCAMP.EVENTBRITE.COM

**WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:**  
How to Get Involved in Your Community  
Project Management  
Team Work  
Community Building  
Communication and Networking  
Conflict Management  
Resume Building  
...and many more!

**WANT TO VOLUNTEER WITH US?**  
VOLUNTEERSSERVICEWORKSRICHMOND  
BOOTCAMP.EVENTBRITE.COM

**SEE YOU THERE!**  
 @SERVICEWORKSRICHMOND  
 SERVICEWORKSRICHMONDCA  
For more information, contact Vanessa Chau at  
(510) 620-6552 or Vanessa\_Chou@ci.richmond.ca.us

**SERVICEWORKS BOOTCAMP**  
WHERE YOU CAN BECOME A LEADER

Are you between the ages of 16-24 and interested in volunteering?  
Join us on Saturday to celebrate National Volunteer Week as we mobilize change with youth in our community through skill building workshops, service, and dialog. Volunteer with us for a chance to win door prizes!

**04.29.17**  
9AM-4PM | SATURDAY  
440 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA  
RICHMOND, CA 94804

**FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WITH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS!**

**SERVICEWORKSRICHMONDBOOTCAMP.EVENTBRITE.COM**

Do you know any young adults from the ages of 16-24 interested in becoming a leader? Are you interested in helping out your community? Would you like to host a workshop or mentor a young adult on their pathway to SUCCESS?

ServiceWorks Richmond is hosting a bootcamp to celebrate National Volunteer Week on **Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. Our bootcamp is an energetic, one-day experience, giving participants (16-24) an introduction to how service can be a pathway to college and career, and inspire YOU to become agents for change in your own communities all for FREE! RSVP today!

**FREE breakfast and lunch, FREE swag bags, and a chance to win FREE door prizes.**

Scholar Participant Sign-Up (16-24 only):

<https://serviceworksrichmondbootcamp.eventbrite.com>

Volunteer Sign-Up for General Volunteer, Workshop Facilitators, or Panel Hosts (18+):

<https://volunteersserviceworksrichmondbootcamp.eventbrite.com/>

Please contact Vanessa Chau at (510) 620-6552 or email

[Vanessa\\_Chou@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:Vanessa_Chou@ci.richmond.ca.us) for more information.

[Spring Clothing Drive to Benefit Bay Area Rescue Mission](#)



The Community Services Department's Spring Clothing Drive is now under way! We need your help collecting **new, unworn clothing essentials such as underwear, bras, socks, and belts** for the residents and guests at [Bay Area Rescue Mission \(BARM\)](#). While plenty of clothing are donated to BARM, new undergarments are much more difficult to come by. Please consider bringing these clothing essentials in their **original packaging** to the barrels located at any of the following City of Richmond locations:

- Booker T. Anderson Community Center
- Community Services Building (Recreation Complex)
- May Valley Community Center
- Nevin Community Center
- Parchester Community Center
- Richmond City Hall
- Richmond Plunge
- Richmond Police Department
- Richmond Public Library – Bayview
- Richmond Public Library – West Side
- Richmond Swim Center
- Shields-Reid Community Center

For more information about the spring clothing drive, contact Stephanie Ny at [stephanie\\_ny@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:stephanie_ny@ci.richmond.ca.us) or (510) 620-6563.

For more information about Bay Area Rescue Mission, visit <http://www.bayarearescue.org> or call (510) 215-4555.

[Dirt World Bike Park Love Your Block Build Day](#)



Join Jasmin Malabed and [Dope Sauce Bike Club](#) at the site of Dirt World Bike Park - their upcoming public bicycle terrain park on 21<sup>st</sup> & the Richmond Greenway - for their third Love Your Block work day on **May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. They will be hosting a park clean-up and building dirt jumps. Come on out to help them transform this space into something amazing for our youth!

18<sup>th</sup> Street Community Garden Love Your Block Event

**18TH ST.  
COMMUNITY GARDEN**

**LOVE YOUR  
BLOCK EVENT**



**COME BUILD WITH US**

Come out to the **18th St. Peace Garden** and help us build raised planter beds to house vegetables and edible flowers for the community!

**April 30th & May 6**

11 am - 4 pm at 18th St. and the Richmond Greenway  
Snacks for volunteers will be provided



Join Love Your Block grantee Liz Lubin on **Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM** to help expand the 18<sup>th</sup> Street Community Garden (18<sup>th</sup> St & Richmond Greenway)! Volunteers are needed to build planter boxes, prep the garden area, and sow vegetables. Snacks will be provided to volunteers. For more information, contact Nadia Perez at 510-621-1568.

Mural Honoring Fred Jackson to be Painted at the CURME Fred Jackson Peace Harmony Garden

COMMUNITIES UNITED RESTORING MOTHER NATURE INVITE YOU TO  
**CELEBRATE THE LIFE & LEGACY OF FRED JACKSON**  
with your help, we will assist artist Timothy B. create a mural dedicated to the late, great Fred Jackson at CURME's Fred Jackson Harmony and Peace Garden.  
**JOIN US!**

**WHO HE WAS**  
Fred Jackson was an activist, artist, humanitarian and a courageous community leader. His message was always laced with peace and love and, most of all, equality.

**Dates**  
April 23 & 29  
**Time**  
12p-4p

**MEET THE ARTIST**  
Timothy B. is a full time artist and spiritual being who claims the earth by way of Oakland. His message is simple: Be you, and let me be me.

1643 Fred Jackson Way

**COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION DESIRED**

Logos: Love Your Block, CITIES SERVICE, etc.

Help us celebrate the life and legacy of Fred Jackson! Artist Timothy B. will create a mural at CURME's Harmony and Peace Garden **on April 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM** at 1643 Fred Jackson Way.

For more information please contact Nadia Perez at (510) 621-1568.

North Richmond Green Festival and Earth Day Celebration Adventures!

The Community Services Department made its way to the North Richmond Green Festival and Earth Day Celebration on April 22, 2017. There were lots of fun activities, performances, free prizes, and more! ServiceWorks, the Richmond Tool Library, and Love Your Block were there—we also had seed planting going on!



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Park Rx Day!

Kicking off National Park Week, parks, healthcare agencies, service providers and communities nationwide celebrated the 2<sup>nd</sup> National ParkRx Day this past Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Organized by Healthy Parks, Healthy People: Bay Area, a collaborative comprising more than 30 park, health, and community-based organizations united by a vision to improve the health and wellbeing of all Bay Area residents, especially those with high health needs, through the regular use and enjoyment of parks and public lands, the City of Richmond Community Services Department, Contra Costa Health Services, and the National Park Service teamed together to organize 1 of the 14 premier celebrations happening around the Bay Area.

Rebuilt by the community on Make a Difference Day in 2015, with health and wellness as major components to the new design, JFK Park was perfect for the nearly 200 participants to enjoy many of the following activities available throughout the day including 'Walk with a Doc', seed planting, mixed martial art demos, tai chi, bike rodeos, an obstacle course and more!

Thank you to the many partners who provided activities, fun giveaways, screenings, exercise demonstrations, first-aid, and games:

- Lifelong Medical
- Sr. Outreach Services

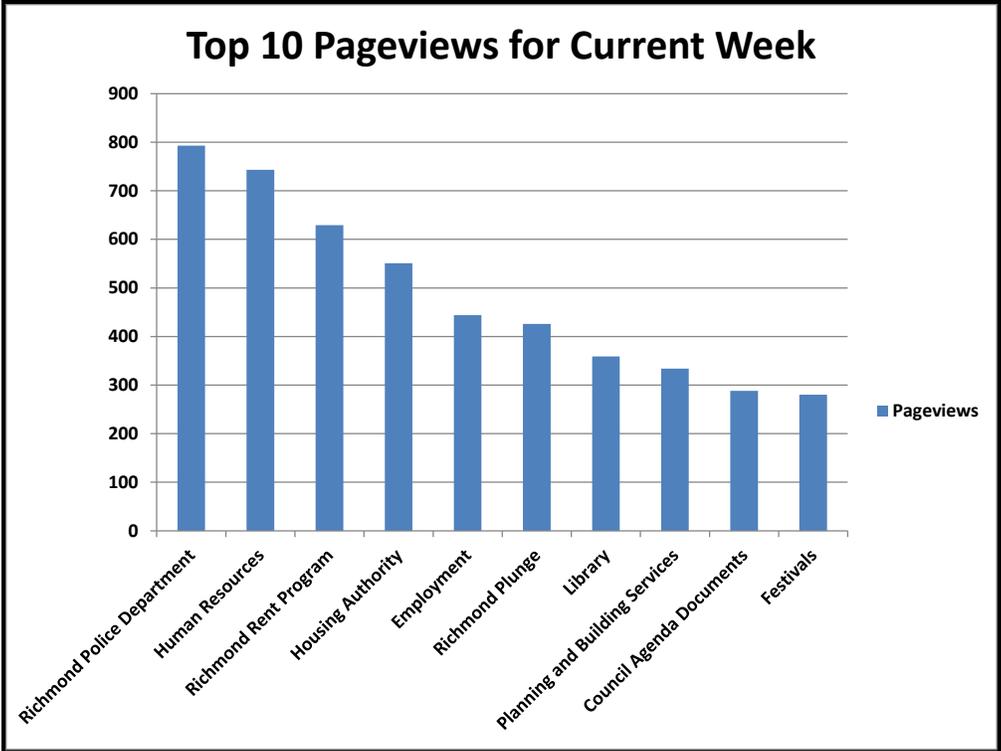
- Kaiser
- HelloFresh
- REACT - CERT
- 106.1 KMEL Radio Station
- Omni Movement
- YES
- First 5
- Fresh Approach
- CSH Injury Prevention
- University of CA – Cooperative Extension
- Subway

A special thanks to District I Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia and Rosie the Riveter/MWII Home Front National Historical Park Superintendent, Tom Leatherman for speaking, and to all the wonderful volunteers and staff who made the event possible.



## **23. Information Technology**

Website Statistics  
For the Week Ending 4-28-2017



**Tweets and Facebook followers are up!**

- Page likes are up by 20%
- Post engagement are up by 268%
- Tweet impressions, profile visits, and followers are up!

**KCRT DATANET OF THE WEEK**

**Shields-Reid Community Center  
Open House**

**We're Painting a Mural, Cleaning the Park & Building Planter Boxes**

Please join us to help beautify the back of Shields-Reid for kids and the community.

**April 27th 4 - 7PM**

1410 Kelsey St, Richmond  
CONTACT: 510-620-6822

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS**

**FEATURED PRESENTATIONS BY:**

- ACLU / Antonio Medrano
- Latina Center
- United Teachers of Richmond CTA/NEA
- West Contra Costa Unified School District
- Healthy Richmond
- Bayside Council PTA

**Next Event:**

**Helms Middle School**

**April 27th 5 - 7PM**

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SERVICERWORKS BOOTCAMP**

**Saturday, April 29th | 9 AM - 4 PM**  
 Richmond City Council Chambers, 440 Civic Center Plaza

**(510) 620-6552 for more info & how to register**

### City of Richmond Mobile APP UPDATE

The City of Richmond’s mobile phone app is available on the Apple App store and Google Play store.

- Monthly app use has increased each of the last 4 months.
- 74% of users with the app installed used it at least once in the Month of March.



QR Codes are available for easy downloading of this APP:

Apple version of APP

Android version of APP



This City of Richmond mobile app provides Richmond's community members with one-stop access to City services and information via mobile devices. The app allows quick and real-time reporting of neighborhood-related issues; viewing the City's Events Calendar; finding addresses and phone numbers of local businesses, city departments and council members. Locating one of Richmond's numerous parks, and welcoming libraries and community centers, including reserving rental space for that special occasion are all done with ease! You may view the City's mobile app on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/i4W1wVvB9fw> The City of Richmond is looking forward to feedback from the community on this upgraded Mobile App. We welcome your comments at [webservices@ci.richmond.ca.us](mailto:webservices@ci.richmond.ca.us)

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

***Have a great week!***

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