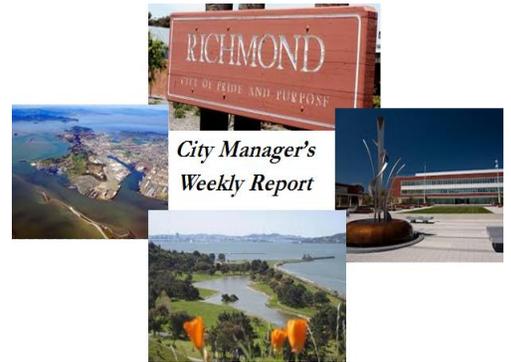




Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the report for the week ending May 12, 2017.



1. Meeting Notes

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th, beginning with Closed Session at 5:30 PM, followed by the regular meeting at 6:30 PM.

The agenda may be found by clicking this link: [Richmond City Council Agenda Packet](#).

2. Just in Time for Mother's Day – Rosie the Osprey Becomes a Mother!

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.

There was exciting news from the nest this week, as Richmond and Rosie the Ospreys had their first chick hatch today! The little one started busting out just around midnight very early Friday morning and we got first peek at the truly hatched (emerged) chick between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM. There is still one egg yet to hatch, so there might be another little bundle of bird to celebrate in just a few more days.

Cindy Margulis, of the Golden Gate Audubon Society, reports that they are accepting nominations for names for the chicks, though they won't be able to guess their genders for quite a while yet. They will take nominations for names, then pick a shortlist of names for a public vote on the naming contest.



3. A New and Significant Project Milestone for Richmond Ferry Service

This past Thursday, May 11th, the Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) Board approved a \$16 million construction contract to develop a ferry terminal at Richmond's Sheridan Point (next to the Ford Building). Staff from the City Manager's Office, City Attorney's Office, and Mayor's Office represented the City of Richmond at the board meeting.

Approving this contract is a key step to developing a fully operational ferry service between Richmond and San Francisco, targeted to begin in September 2018. In-water construction work on the terminal is scheduled to begin in August of 2017. Renderings of the Richmond terminal can be seen below. For more information

about the WETA Richmond ferry terminal and service, please visit the WETA website: <https://sanfranciscobayferry.com/node/330>.



PASSENGER SHELTER VIEW FROM HARBOUR WAY

Richmond Ferry Terminal, Richmond, CA
Presentation on May 5, 2016 to The City Of Richmond



WATER EMERGENCY
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

MARCY WONG DONN LOGAN ARCHITECTS



GLS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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PASSENGER SHELTER SOUTH & WEST ELEVATIONS (SERVICE CATWALK NOT SHOWN)

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4. City of Richmond 2017 Community Survey -- We Need your Feedback

One of the best ways to improve Richmond's services is to ask the people that live here what they think. With this in mind, the City of Richmond is pleased to announce the 2017 Community Survey!

During the past few weeks, you may have been notified that you have been selected to give input that will help the City improve the level of government services and the future of your community. Questionnaires were sent to a random sample of 3,000

Richmond residents, asking them to comment on the community's pressing needs and city services.

The purpose of the survey is to help City officials evaluate services, measure resident satisfaction with current services, and to help plan for Richmond's future. The results from the survey will be included in a final report available to all City officials, staff, and residents. If you were selected, please return the survey before the stated deadline.

If you know someone that received one, please encourage them to fill it out and return it. Your input can help make the City of Richmond a better place to live, work, and play. Feel free to contact the City Manager's Office with your questions at (510) 620-6512.

The City of Richmond 2017 Citizen Survey

Please complete this questionnaire if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday. The adult's year of birth does not matter. Please select the response (by circling the number or checking the box) that most closely represents your opinion for each question. Your responses are anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

1. Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Richmond:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Richmond as a place to live.....	1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live.....	1	2	3	4	5
Richmond as a place to raise children.....	1	2	3	4	5
Richmond as a place to work.....	1	2	3	4	5
Richmond as a place to visit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Richmond as a place to retire.....	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Richmond as a whole:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Overall feeling of safety in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Quality of overall natural environment in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall "built environment" of Richmond (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems).....	1	2	3	4	5
Health and wellness opportunities in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall economic health of Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5

3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:

	<i>Very likely</i>	<i>Somewhat likely</i>	<i>Somewhat unlikely</i>	<i>Very unlikely</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Recommend living in Richmond to someone who asks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Remain in Richmond for the next five years.....	1	2	3	4	5

4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

	<i>Very safe</i>	<i>Somewhat safe</i>	<i>Neither safe nor unsafe</i>	<i>Somewhat unsafe</i>	<i>Very unsafe</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
In your neighborhood during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Richmond's downtown/commercial area during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6

5. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Richmond as a whole:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Traffic flow on major streets.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of public parking.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails.....	1	2	3	4	5
Air quality.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Richmond.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time.....	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of preventive health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care.....	1	2	3	4	5

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5. RichmondBUILD celebrates 10th Year Anniversary with Graduation of Cohort 32

Last month, RichmondBUILD celebrated its 10-year anniversary with the graduation of Cohort 32. Guest speakers at the celebration included the city manager, and Nova Blazej, EPA Brownfields Manager, and Ramon Fernandez, Carpenters Local 152 Member and Cohort 3 graduate, both of whom have been great organizational partners for the program.

Graduates from Cohort 3 through Cohort 31 attended this special event.



RichmondBUILD alumni attended the 10th Anniversary/C32 Graduation



Bill Lindsay, City Manager, City of Richmond



Surinder S accepting his RB Certificate from Instructors Ed Nunez and Brian Liston



Nova Blazej, EPA Brownsfield Project Manager

KTVU Fox Channel 2 News provided coverage for the event. For the full story, go to <http://www.ktvu.com/news/245038472-story>.

RichmondBUILD is also the recipient of the 2016 League of the United Latin American Citizen's Leadership Award.

For more information on RichmondBUILD, please visit <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/1243/RichmondBUILD> or call (510) 620-1781

6. Hundreds of Cyclists Commute for Bike to Work Day 2017

On Thursday, May 11th, hundreds of Richmond commuters took to their bikes to join Bike to Work Day 2017. City staff members joined local community members to staff Energizer Stations across key bicycle corridors across the community. Energizer Stations provide snacks, refreshments, and the signature Bike to Work Day tote, filled with goodies and swags for veteran and rookie cyclists alike.

Richmond is happy to join cities across the Bay Area to support Bike To Work Day, and showcase bicycling as a safe, affordable, healthy, and accessible form of transit. To find out more information about what Richmond is doing to support bicycle and pedestrian safety and access during Bike Month and throughout the year, please visit: www.richmondenvironment.org.





7. Richmond Marine Corps Veteran Receives No-Cost Solar System Installed By Local Veteran Leaders At “Solar Barn-Raising”

This past Saturday, May 6th, the City of Richmond partnered with [GRID Alternatives](#), America’s largest non-profit solar installer, [Bay Area Brave](#), and local veterans to support a solar job training program that installed a no-cost, rooftop solar system for a Richmond Marine Corps veteran. The GRID team and local veterans joined together to complete the project during a one-day “solar barn-raising” installation.

This installation is part of GRID Alternatives’ national [Troops to Solar Initiative](#) job training program. Troops to Solar is supported by the Wells Fargo Foundation and provides hands-on training and job connections to over 1,000 US military veterans and active service members across the country. Bay Area Brave, an initiative showcasing the extensive contributions of military veterans to the San Francisco Bay Area community, helped recruit the installation team of veterans.

The Richmond veteran receiving the solar installation will save more than \$1,600 each year on electricity bills. The veterans participating in the installation are community organizers helping to connect veteran job seekers to solar installation training with GRID to receive hands-on workforce development and a chance to join the fast-growing solar industry, [which added 51,000 jobs nationally in 2016](#), including nearly 25,000 new jobs in California.

City staff from the City Manager’s Office and Councilmember Ben Choi attended the event on behalf of the City of Richmond. This home is part of an ongoing partnership between the City and GRID Alternatives that has now provided solar free of charge to over 200 income qualifying Richmond homeowners, and all 98 Triangle Court units. Please visit the GRID Alternatives’ Flickr to view more photos from this great event: [Richmond GRID Solar May 6 Solar Event](#).





8. Richmond Promise Middle School College Fair a Success!

On May 4th, the Richmond Promise hosted a [student-led college fair](#) for DeJean 8th graders. The event kicked off with a college panel discussion, followed by a college and community resource fair. Kennedy 9th graders shared their college knowledge of about 20 different colleges and universities with 8th graders, and Kennedy 12th graders shared their experience and tips for success in high school. Highlights included the positive near-peer interaction between Kennedy and DeJean students, and the planting of college-going seeds early on. We hope to build upon this experience to make this an annual tradition — and possibly expand to additional schools. Thank you to all of the college and community partners who made this event a great success!



9. Second Annual Richmond Promise Scholars Celebration!

Please join the Richmond Promise community at an event to honor scholars and recognize the civic and educational partnerships that are critical to their success. The event is free, but space is limited. Student Scholars may bring up to three friends or family members.

The event will be Thursday, May 25th from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium. Please [RSVP online](#) to confirm attendance. Please send inquiries to info@richmondpromise.org or call (510) 761-7231.

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

MAY 25

RICHMOND PROMISE

2ND ANNUAL

SCHOLARS CELEBRATION

5:00 PM Resource Fair | 6:00 PM Ceremony
MAY 25 | Thursday
Richmond Civic Center Auditorium
Food, Music, Scholar Awards, College Resource Fair!

Event is Free | Space is Limited
Please RSVP: rpscholarcelebration.eventbrite.com

PROGRAM

5:00 PM **Doors Open**
College Resource Fair
Food & Music

6:00 PM **Welcome by Mayor Tom Butt**
Richmond Promise Alumni Keynote
Keynote Address
Richmond Promise Scholar Awards

Aspire Richmond College Preparatory
DeAnza High School
El Cerrito High School
Greenwood Academy
Hercules High School
Kennedy High School
Leadership Public Schools
Making Waves Academy
Middle College High School
Pinole Valley High School
Richmond High School
Salesian College Preparatory
Vista High School

**Class of 2017 Richmond Promise Student
Keynote**

8:00 PM **Closing**






10. The Department of Water Resource Recovery Joins Cinco de Mayo Celebration

On Sunday May 7th, Department of Water Resource Recovery staff participated in the celebration of Cinco de Mayo on 23rd Street. Staff engaged the public in a *Wheel of Fortune* where participants could win prizes and learn helpful stormwater environmental tips. Staff members were able to start conversations regarding best practices that residents can implement both at home and in public spaces (parks, streets, shorelines) to prevent fats, oil, and grease from clogging the City’s sanitary sewer collection system, and to prevent household hazardous wastes, litter, and pesticides from entering the City’s stormwater collection system.

Additional coverage of Cinco de Mayo can be found in the Community Services highlights.



11. 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 a multi-department meeting to discuss processes and procedures to support the Rent Board and rent regulation activities;
- Met with Senior Management Analyst LaShonda White and Director of Infrastructure Maintenance and Operation Tim Higare to discuss Nystrom temporary campus post-removal activities;
- Attended the monthly meeting of the Contra Costa County city managers;

- Met, together with Richmond Housing Authority consultant Tia Ingram, with Gerard Windt, Division Director for the Office of Public Housing at the San Francisco office of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development;
- Met with representatives from the Safe Return Team, along with Senior Assistant City Attorney Everett Jenkins, to discuss implementation of the Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

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.

12. 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 20th 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.

Taste of
RICHMOND

LOCAL RESTAURANTS · COOKING
DEMONSTRATIONS · BEER & WINE

MAY 20TH, 2017 · 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM
RIGGERS LOFT WINE COMPANY
1325 CANAL BLVD, RICHMOND, CA 94804



TASTE-OF-RICHMOND.EVENTBRITE.COM · (415) 867-6390



KIDS 10 & UNDER FREE

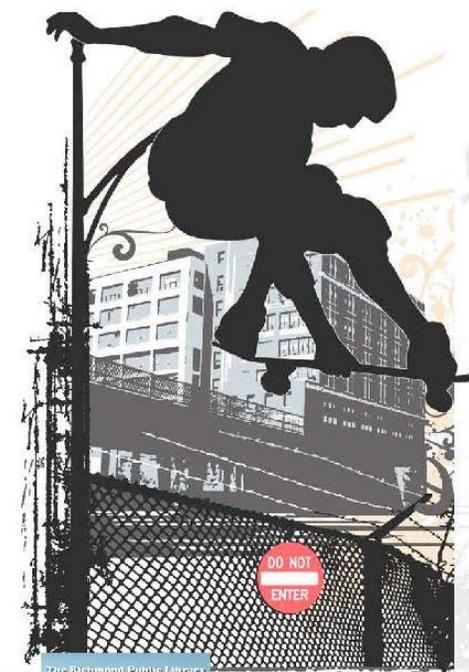
13. Richmond Library Hosts Teen Skateboard Event on May 24th!

Richmond Library Teens will host, “The Science of Skateboard Physics” in collaboration with the Richmond Parks and Recreation Division. The event will be held on May 24th from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM at the Nicholl Park Skateboard Park. Please come out and join us!

Follow the link below to watch the Science of Skateboard Physics
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qnQsAWB-sgQ&t=141s>

The Science of Skateboard Physics

$$(v=d/t)$$



Learn why you can do cool tricks with your skateboard on the San Francisco

exploratorium®

mobile skateboard van!

Stunt and safety demonstration

Raffle prizes by 510 Skateboarding!

FREE hotdogs and drinks!

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Skateboard Park, Nicholl Park

33rd Street and Macdonald Ave.

Richmond, CA

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

For more information call (510) 820-5518

Sponsored by the Friends of the Richmond Public Library

The Richmond Public Library



Richmond Public Library

www.richmondlibrary.org



14. Local Students Express Gratitude for Richmond Writes! Poetry Contest

The 2017 Richmond Writes! Poetry Contest was a huge success. The numbers alone were certainly impressive -- with a total of one hundred winners, over \$1,500 in gift cards, and 231 participating students from 14 WCCUSD elementary, middle, and high schools. Every student who participated had his/her poem published in the poetry book and received a copy.

The real story, though, is how those students chose to express their gratitude for being published in the 2017 Richmond Writes! poetry book. They sent over 100 "thank you" emails to Michele Seville, Arts and Culture Manager, since the Awards Ceremony on April 14th thanking the Richmond Arts and Culture Commission for sponsoring the contest.

Many thanks to Tracy La Freniere, a prep teacher who works with fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students on computer technology at Olinda and Murphy Elementary Schools, who guided students in the letter-writing effort. Here are some excerpts from those letters:

"When I saw my poem in the book, I was shocked. I showed it to my mom, and she was shocked as well. She said it is an honor to have your work published in a book"

that not just your family will see, but other people you do not know. Thank you so much for publishing my poem.” - MK

“Thank you for publishing my haiku poem in the Richmond Writes 2017 book. I never had anything published that I wrote by myself. Also, I like how we get to be creative in what we are going to write. I just want to say thank you for all the work you did.” - JK

*“You helped me with my reading skills, and for letting people know more about me.”
-- Z*

This was the seventh year of the Richmond Writes! poetry contest, a favorite program of the Richmond Arts and Culture Commission, students, teachers and parents alike.

15. Fire Department Promotions

Firefighter Christopher Tapia (pictured left) and Firefighter Daniel James (pictured right) were promoted to the rank of Fire Engineer, effective April 26, 2017.



Engineer Tapia served the United States Marine Corps as an infantry member in Iraq. Engineer Tapia is California State Fire certified in rope rescue, and a Hazardous Materials Technician. Engineer Tapia taught fire safety classes to the community (stop drop and roll, importance of smoke alarms, and instruction on the proper use of fire extinguishers).

Engineer James is licensed in aircraft maintenance from the Sierra Academy of Aeronautics Technical Institute in Oakland. Engineer James is California State Fire certified in confined space rescue and a California State licensed Paramedic. Engineer James has done volunteer tutoring to assist grade school students with weekly homework, and assists with community programs to feed those in need.

Engineer Tapia is assigned to Fire Station 62 on 7th Street, serving North Richmond's residents. Engineer James is assigned to Fire Station 67 on Cutting Boulevard, which houses one of our two rescue vehicles. Under the direction of their respective Captains, Engineer James and Engineer Tapia will drive and operate fire engines and trucks to emergency calls and maintain the apparatus, tools, and equipment. Engineers Tapia and James have been members of the Richmond Fire Department since 2013.

Congratulations on your promotions!

16. 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!



APPLY ONLINE AT
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



"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."

17. Community Compost Workshop

International Compost Awareness Week is May 6th - 14th 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 13th 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 or call Tom at 925-997-8459.



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

18. 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.



SAVE LIVES!

**WEST COUNTY COMMUNITY
CPR/AED TRAINING**

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

Hands-Only CPR/AED Training (**no certificate given**)
YOU can be the one who saves someone's life!

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

19. Community Services Highlights

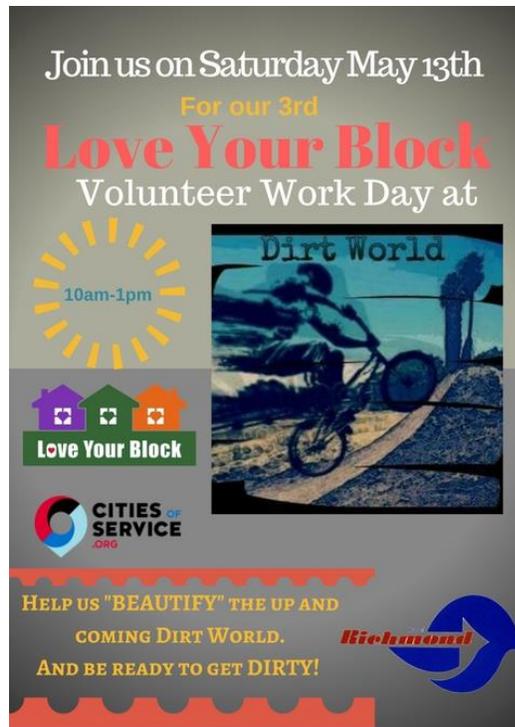
Cinco de Mayo

The city-wide annual Cinco de Mayo Festival was again an amazing event for the entire community. A fun time was had at the booth where Community Services Department staff and volunteers from the Commission on Aging were on hand to offer announcements for special events, program information, and fun chances to win prizes and promotional giveaways. We offer special thanks to Lieutenant Joey Schlemmer and the City Manager's Office Health in All Policies staff, Gabino Arredondo and Samantha Carr, for assisting.



Love Your Block

Join Love Your Block mini-grant recipient, Jasmin Malabed, for the third clean-up day on May 13th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Help beautify Dopesauce Bike Club's upcoming bicycle terrain park, Dirt World. For more information please call Nadia Perez at (510) 621-1568 or via email: nadia_perez@ci.richmond.ca.us



Service Works

Saturday, April 29th, ServiceWorks Richmond hosted its first Young Adult Leadership Bootcamp at Civic Center Plaza. Celebrating National Volunteer Week by providing young adults, between the ages of 16-24, a day full of educational and skill-building workshops, dialog, and volunteering!

In collaboration with the City of Richmond, Richmond Promise, Richmond Tool Library, Richmond Trees, and World Financial Group, young adults from various schools in the area were able to learn about college, financial literacy, and about opportunities to help them become better leaders. The participants also turned their community issues and concerns into sparks for service projects. Ideas included summer programming for students who may not qualify for summer school, informative and educational movie nights that can help community building and discussions, and elementary school after-school engagement between students and seniors as a way to create compassionate companionships and teach children valuable life-skills through our seniors. Thanks to all the volunteers, students, and local organizations that helped make this Bootcamp possible!

Are you or someone you know interested in creating a service project or have volunteer opportunities for our youth? Please contact Vanessa Chau at vanessa_chau@ci.richmond.ca.us



Tennis Champs

Two of Richmond's after school program participants played in the US Tennis Association and City of Berkeley's "Intermediate Youth 10 and Under" Tournament on Saturday, April 29th, and did a wonderful job representing themselves and the City of Richmond's Community Services Department. Jesus Bizcarro won 1st place

in the Boys Division and Cidney Edwards took 2nd place in the Girls Division. Congratulations to the both of them!



Shields-Reid Community Center “Loves Their Block”

The Shields-Reid Achieve Afterschool Program and its participants teamed up with community partners to do a mural painting, park cleaning, and seedling planting on Thursday, April 27, 2017. Close to 150 members of the community showed up to contribute to the **Love Your Block** sponsored event. Love Your Block grantee Aaron Morgan of the North Richmond Municipal Advisory Committee (NRMAC), who has children in the Shields-Reid program, was very happy with how the event brought the community together for a positive change. Come on over and check out the new garden and mural when you get a chance!





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 is 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

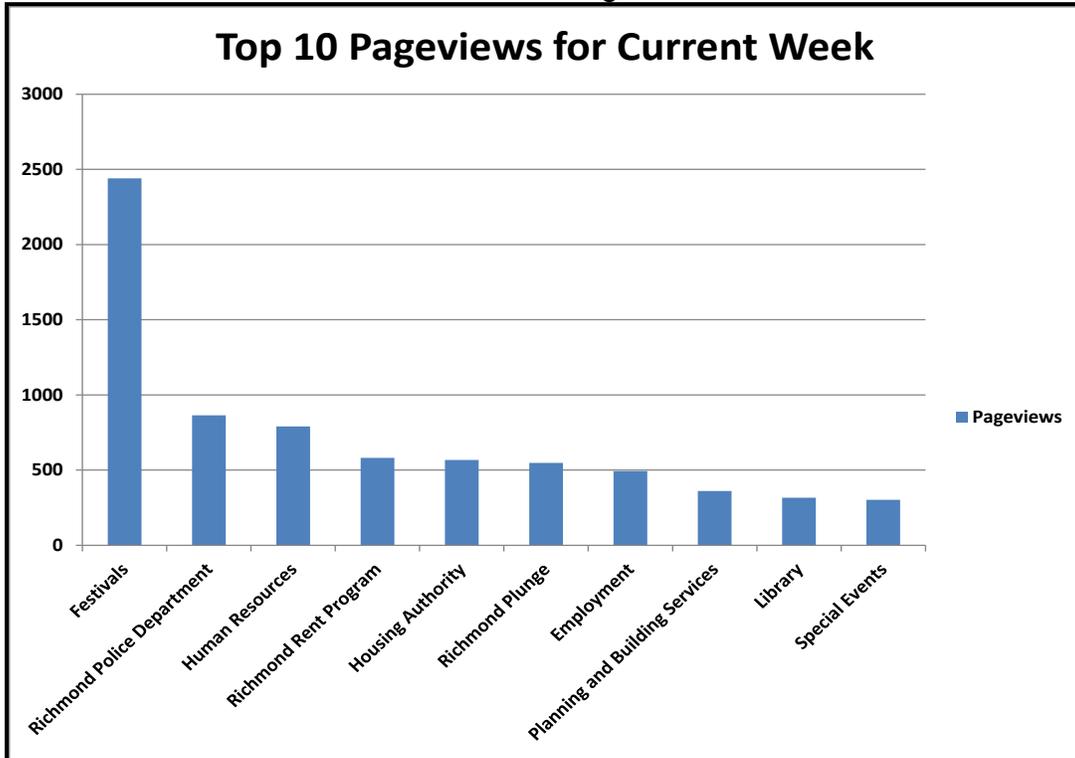
For more information about the spring clothing drive, contact Stephanie Ny at stephanie_ny@ci.richmond.ca.us or (510) 620-6563.

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

20. Information Technology

Website Statistics

For the Week Ending 5-12-2017



Tweets and Facebook followers are up!

- Actions are up 100%
- Post engagement are up by 221%
- Tweet impressions, profile visits, and followers are up!

KCRT PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Cinco de Mayo Parade 2017

KCRT DATANET OF THE WEEK

Dining and Live Entertainment
Seniors Nite Out
Friday, May 20th 6:30 - 10:30PM
Richmond Memorial Auditorium
For Tickets (510) 620-6793
For more info:
(510) 223-0777
(510) 860-7410
Tickets can also be purchased at
the Richmond Recreation Dept., 3230 Macdonald Ave.

Senior Information & Health Faire

Wednesday, May 17th 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Richmond Memorial Auditorium, 403 Civic Center Plaza
 For more information: **(510) 307-8087**

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 lease 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

21. Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations

Abatement

Crews removed homeless encampments, performed weed abatement in City lots, abated alleyways, cleared public right-of ways, cuts weeds on the Carlson Boulevard medians, assisted with the Santa Fe Neighborhood Clean-up, abated the exterior of the Hacienda apartments, and continued with removing illegal dumping and graffiti throughout the City.





Hacienda Clean Up



Alleyway Clean Up



Median Clean-Up



Homeless Encampment Removal

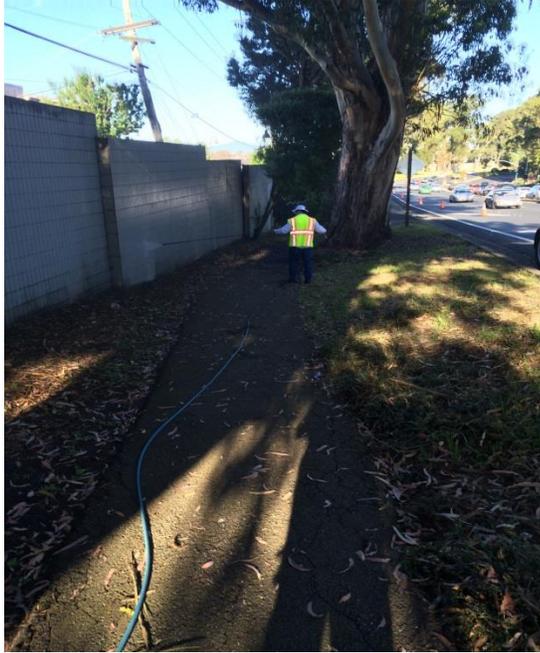


Neighborhood Clean-Up

Facilities Maintenance

Carpenters poured a concrete pad for the Recreation Department at Nicholl Park, supported the securing of the Hacienda Complex, resolved safety issues at the Recreation Complex, and fixed the testing wall at the Richmond Police Department.

Painters pressure washed and then primed 1,500 feet of the sound wall located along Hilltop Drive.

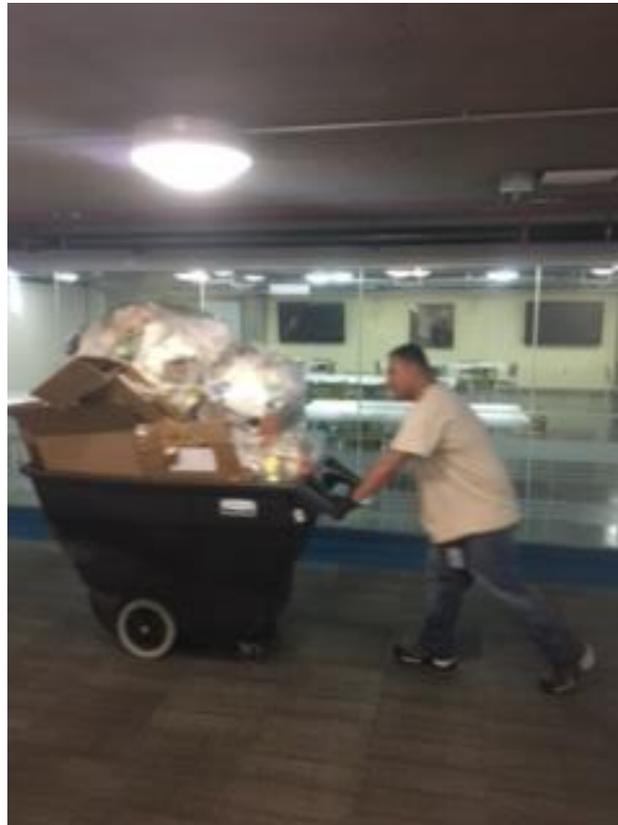


Hilltop Sound Wall Power Washing and Painting

Stationary Engineers repaired the entry doors to City Hall, cleared blockage at the Nicholl Park restroom, replaced broken windows at the Library and Washington Field House, fixed the sliding doors at Booker T. Anderson Community Center, replaced the fan motor at the Museum, repaired the circulation pump and motor on the heating system at the Museum, removed debris from the Library and Employment and Training generators, replaced broken freezer at the Booker T. Anderson Community Center, secured entry ways to the Hacienda complex and fixed the washer at the Booker T. Anderson Community Center.

Electricians repaired damage to the traffic pole at Macdonald Avenue and Marina Way, replaced lighting in the Auditorium basement, installed new conduit for Nicholl Park, fixed lighting in the Fire Administrative area, installed risers for the Nicholl Park tennis shed, services all “exit” signs for the Auditorium, and addressed other lighting fixtures in the Auditorium.

Utility workers set up the Council Chambers for an event hosted by the Planning Department, removed trash and recycling from City Hall, recycled e-waste, set up multiple facilities for various events, and serviced 29 City owned buildings.



Trash and Recycling Removal

Parks and Landscaping Division

General maintenance crews weeded whipped on Cutting Boulevard from South 45th Street to South 49th Street, completed maintenance at Raincloud Park, weeded and trimmed at May Valley Community Center, weeded the Humphrey Play Lot, mowed the Richmond Greenway from 2nd Street to 4th Street, weed abated medians on Carlson Boulevard, repaired irrigation at Nicholl Park cut sidewalk on Roosevelt for tree planting, prepped Civic Center Plaza area an event, cut medians on Macdonald Avenue near Target, weeded the sound wall on Clinton Avenue, repaired the drinking fountain at Burg Park, weeded sitting area at South 55th Street and Creely Avenue, dug a trench at Nicholl Park, and repaired fencing on the Greenway.



Median Maintenance on Macdonald Avenue



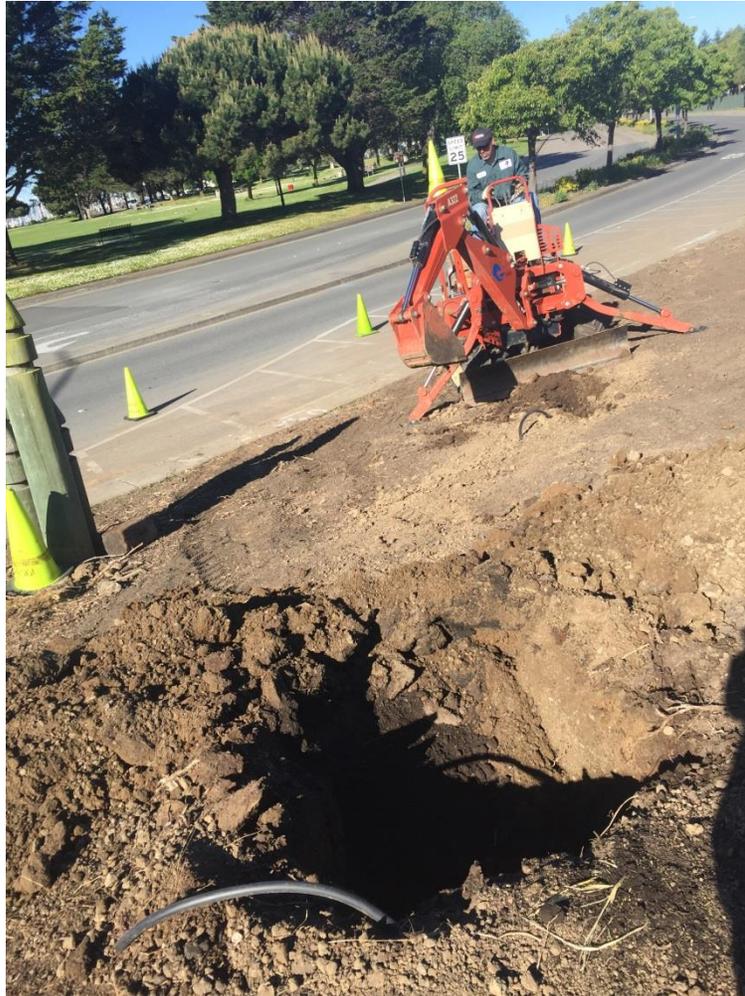
Carlson Boulevard Medians

Hilltop District crews continued maintenance around Hilltop Mall business area, continued with the Richmond Country Club Vista landscaping project, performed weed abatement on Hilltop Drive and weed abated off and on ramps on Richmond Parkway to Giant Road, weeded the center medians on Robert Miller Drive, and began weeding of the Hilltop Lake area.



Country Club Vista Park Maintenance

Marina District crews continued the landscaping project on Regatta Boulevard, performed weed abatement through the area, mowed throughout the area, and performed trash and debris removal.



Landscaping Project on Regatta Boulevard

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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