CITY OF *Richmond* CALIFORNIA

Mayor and Members of the City Council:

This is the report for the two weeks ending February 9, 2018.

1. **Meeting Notes**

   The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20th. Enjoy the week off!

2. **Community Warning System Alerts**

   Unfortunately, the Richmond community has experienced several events during the past weeks that have necessitated the activation of the Contra Costa's Community Warning System (CWS). The CWS is an all-hazards integrated system designed to warn and inform residents about an emergency or disaster, and the protective action that residents need to take to stay safe. The system is managed by Contra Costa County, and can be activated at the request of designated City of Richmond staff when circumstances arise.

   Generally, alerts will fall into one of several categories:

   - Level 0: On-site systems turned on. This is for information only.
   - Level 1: Situation occurring on-site; no health impacts. This is for information only.
   - Level 2: Situation occurring on-site; yet, may impact individuals with respiratory issues. Recommend individuals with respiratory issues to stay indoors.
   - Level 3: Situation impacting off-site area(s); health issue impacts. Shelter-in-place. (In addition to phone & email alerts, sirens sound-see Fact Sheet).

   There are several ways residents can receive CWS Alerts. For more information and to register for alerts, please visit www.cococws.us. For a fact sheet on the program, please visit: https://cwsalerts.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/CWS-Fact-Sheet.pdf.

3. **Celebrate Black History Month with a Lunch, Learn, & Movie at Easter Hill United Methodist Church!**

   Learn about College, Community Leadership, and enjoy lunch and a viewing of the film *I Am Not Your Negro* at Easter Hill United Methodist Church **tomorrow,**

Saturday, February 10th, 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM. All are welcome, with high school and middle school students especially encouraged to attend!

    Date: Saturday, February 9th
    Time: 10:30 AM -2:00 PM
    Place: Easter Hill United Methodist Church
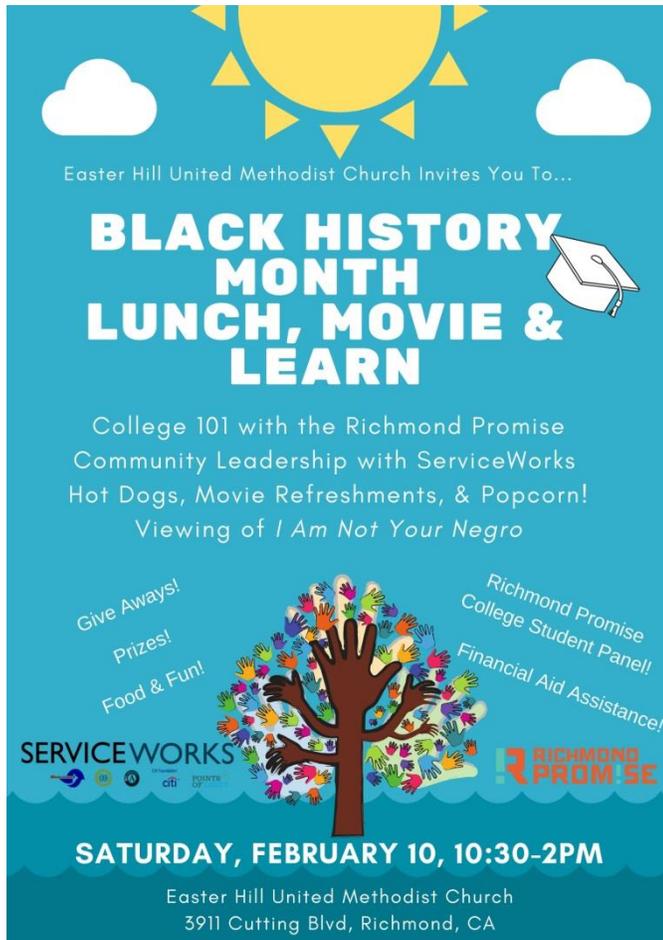   3911 Cutting Blvd, Richmond

Highlights:
- **College 101:** Learn how to pay for college, and explore college options with the Richmond Promise!
- **College Student Panel:** Learn about tips for college success from current Richmond/WCCUSD college students!
- **Community Leadership:** Learn about the range of opportunities to get involved and give back to your community with Service Works!
- **Financial Aid Assistance:** Get assistance with your application for financial aid and your scholarship for the [Richmond Promise](#)!

Agenda:
10:30 AM   Welcome & Community Building
10:45 AM   Service & Community Leadership with Service Works
11:00 AM   College 101 with the Richmond Promise
11:30 AM   College Student Panel
12:00 PM   Lunch & Viewing of *I am Not Your Negro*, courtesy of Easter Hill United Methodist Church
2:00 PM   Closing

Ongoing: Financial Aid & Scholarship Completion Hub

The event is free, but space is limited!

Easter Hill United Methodist Church Invites You To...

BLACK HISTORY MONTH LUNCH, MOVIE & LEARN

College 101 with the Richmond Promise
Community Leadership with ServiceWorks
Hot Dogs, Movie Refreshments, & Popcorn!
Viewing of *I Am Not Your Negro*

Give Aways!
Prizes!
Food & Fun!

Richmond Promise
College Student Panel!
Financial Aid Assistance!

SERVICEWORKS

RICHMOND PROMISE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 10:30-2PM

Easter Hill United Methodist Church
3911 Cutting Blvd, Richmond, CA

4. <u>Richmond Fire Department Conducts EOC drill</u>

On January 25th, the Richmond Fire Department's Office of Emergency Services conducted a full-scale city exercise to practice and evaluate the city's response to a major earthquake on the Hayward Fault, with its epicenter located in the City of Oakland. The exercise included nearly 100 participants from all city departments, keeping impact to normal operations minimal.

The live drill included the activation of the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The Emergency Operations Center acts as a central location for management level coordination, communication and support during major city or regional emergencies.

Meeting the needs of the citizens after an emergency can only be accomplished through a coordinated effort of city staff working together. The main goal of this exercise was to practice the communication and coordination that is required between all levels of city government and outside resources.

According to the U.S Geological Survey, there is a 73 percent chance that a large earthquake (magnitude 6.7 or greater) will strike the San Francisco Bay Area before 2043. Long-term effects will include power, water or gas outages to a large percentage of the Richmond population, with some of these impacts lasting for an extended period of time. Key infrastructure and buildings will likely be destroyed. Businesses will be disrupted and affected residents may flee the damaged areas. This exercise allowed key response personnel to practice processes and procedures for responding to a large earthquake.

As a follow up to the exercise, continued affirmative adjustments will be initiated to ensure that the City of Richmond maintains a state of readiness for all possible disasters.

5. **Celebrating Black History Month: The Richmond Fire Department Integrates in 1957!**

In 1957, the Richmond Fire Department marked a major milestone when it recruited its first African-American employee. Jake Dyels was the first African American employee in Richmond Fire Department. Mr. Dyels was born in 1934 in Oklahoma, and, a year later, relocated with his family to the San Francisco Bay Area. In 1952, Dyels graduated from Berkeley High School before enrolling at San Francisco State University where he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in International Relations. From there, Dyels pursued and obtained a Master's degree in Public Administration from the University of Oklahoma, and later attended the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

At the age of 23, the Richmond Fire department employed Mr. Dyels, and he diligently performed his duties as a firefighter. Based on his race, his employment became big news throughout Contra Costa County. In 1966, Mr. Dyels left the fire service to join the Peace Corps and rose to the position of regional director in Cartegena, Columbia. This new career venture propelled him through the foreign services; he served in Panama, the Netherlands, Sri Lanka, and Mexico. He resigned from the Peace Corps in 1966 join the State Department as a vice-counsel at the Consulate in St. John's, Newfoundland. He served in this position for one year and retired from the foreign services in January 1997.

Mr. Jake Dyels passed away on June 12, 2006.

During February, the Richmond Fire Department will profile the contributions of the many African American fire service pioneers. This article and photo was provided by the department historian, and KCRT stalwart, Christian Wimmer.

6. Fiscal Year 2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Review

An important part of evaluating the City's budget performance is a thorough mid-year budget review. In completing this review, staff conducts a comparison of actual results to budget estimates to determine whether revenues and expenditures are on target or need to be adjusted.

Last week, the City Council reviewed and approved the fiscal year (FY) 2017-18 Mid-Year Review Budget that was presented by Finance Department staff. In brief, the budget remains balanced, with adjustments to both operating revenues and expenditures resulting in an estimated ending surplus of $805.

The FY 2017-18 Mid-Year Budget Report can be found on the City's Finance Department webpage: http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/1427/Presentations

7. Chevron to Host "Virtual Town Meeting on February 22nd

One of the elements of the environmental mitigations for the Chevron modernization project is for Chevron to hold an annual Town Hall to update the community concerning safety improvements that Chevron has made to implement the recommendations that arose out of the various investigations following the August 6, 2012 fire. Similar to the past two years, Chevron will hold a telephone town hall to fulfill this commitment.

This year's telephone town hall will be held on Thursday, February 22nd at 6:30 PM. To sign up, please go to http://richmondtownhall.com/.

8. City Manager Chronicles

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

Meetings and events of note during the past week included:

- Attended the League of California Cities City Managers Department meeting;
- Attended a planning session for the Transformative Communities Leadership program, along with Councilmember Eduardo Martinez, Supervisor John Gioia, and members of Contra Costa County and West Contra Costa Unified School District staff;
- Attended a settlement conference related to the Point Molate litigation, along with legal counsel, Deputy City Attorney Rachel Sommovilla, Planning and Building Services Director Richard Mitchell, Planning Manager Lina Velasco, Mayor Tom Butt, and Councilmembers Ada Recinos and Ben Choi;
- Attended the Town Hall meeting hosted by Sims Metal Management, related to their recent industrial fire;

- Participated in the Investment Committee meeting of the Richmond Promise;
- Attended the monthly meeting of the Contra Costa County city managers;
- Met, together with Transportation Program Manager Lori Reese-Brown, with representatives from the Contra Costa Transportation Authority and the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCCTAC), to discuss the status of the Richmond paratransit program;
- Met with Cynthia Wong, the new Executive Director of LISC-Bay Area, together with Roxanne Garza of Healthy Richmond, and Community and Economic Development Director Shasa Curl;
- Attended the Southeast Shoreline Area Community Advisory Committee meeting;
- Met with representatives from Baykeeper, together with legal counsel, Senior Deputy City Attorney Everett Jenkins, Water Resource Recovery Manager Ryan Smith, Administrative Analyst Mary Phelps, and representatives from Veolia, to discuss a new settlement agreement for the wastewater system.

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.

9. **YouthWORKS' 2018 Summer Youth Employment Program**

YouthWORKS' Summer Youth Employment Program provides employment opportunities for youth between the ages of 16 through 21 who are residing in the City of Richmond. Applications will be accepted beginning on February 1st and will continue until 200 applicants have been received. Don't miss this great opportunity to gain valuable experience from local businesses!

For information on the Summer Youth Employment Program, please visit http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/662/YouthWORKS or call (510) 412-2044

10. **Freshest Cargo Mobile Farmers' Market Returns to Richmond February 7th!**

Freshest Cargo is a farmers' market on wheels and rolls into Richmond every Wednesday. The truck stops at three locations:

- Kaiser Richmond (Harbour Way & Nevin Ave) from 9:30 AM -10:30 AM,
- Richmond Civic Center (between Barrett Ave and Bissell Ave) from 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, and

- North Richmond (corner Chesley Ave & Fred Jackson Way) from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

Get great, farm fresh produce at affordable prices. Plus, get a 50% discount for CalFresh/EBT, WIC, SSI, or Medi-Cal recipients! Cash, debit & credit cards, CalFresh/EBT, WIC accepted. For more info call Fresh Approach at (925) 771-2990 or visit www.freshapproach.org/freshestcargo.

FRESHEST CARGO
MOBILE FARMERS' MARKET

WEDNESDAYS
IN RICHMOND

a program of Fresh Approach

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11. **Richmond Promise Scholarship Deadline is Fast Approaching, March 10th!**

To be eligible for the Richmond Promise Scholarship, a student must:

- Be a resident of Richmond or North Richmond (i.e. have a Richmond home address)
- Have graduated from an eligible high school within the West Contra Costa Unified School District boundary area or received your GED/high school equivalency between June 2017-2018
- Have attended an eligible high school, at least, 9th - 12th grade consecutively
- **Complete the FAFSA/Dream Act by the March 2nd Cal Grant deadline**

The application can be found on the Richmond Promise website: https://richmondpromise.org/the-scholarship-application/

Please share this opportunity with eligible students in your life!

The FAFSA application for financial aid can be found at https://fafsa.ed.gov/, and Dream Act application can be found at https://dream.csac.ca.gov/.

The Richmond Promise is Here to Help!

To receive assistance completing your applications, visit your College & Career Center, or stop by Richmond Promise Office Hours at the times below!

- **El Cerrito High School**: Monday – 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
- **Richmond High School**: Monday – 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
- **Richmond Police Activities League (RPAL)**: Tuesday – 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **De Anza High School**: Wednesday – 1:50 PM - 2:30 PM
- **Greenwood High School**: Thursday – 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
- **Kennedy High School**: Thursday – 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Cash for Colleges in February!

The second of two Cash for College events for parents and students to receive assistance in completing their financial aid applications, FAFSA, or the CA Dream Act will be on February 24th, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM at Richmond Civic Center.

Questions or want to request a workshop? Info@richmondpromise.org or (510) 761-7231.

Free
cash for college

A Cal Grant is money you don't have to pay back. It could be your ticket to CSU's, UC's, CA Private Colleges, Community Colleges, Career and Technical schools.

2.0 GPA minimum + 2 Forms: 1. FAFSA or California Dream Act Application 2. GPA Verification + 1 Deadline: March 2 = $12,630 annually

High School Seniors & Parents...
Attend a FREE Cash for College workshop at

Kennedy High School
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
6:00 – 9:00 PM at the
Cafeteria & Computer Labs

Info on the new middle class scholarship, private scholarships & AB 540; translators available.

Steps to be Prepared:

1. Bring Student and Parent Social Security #'s (and Alien Registration #'s if you are not a U.S. Citizen).
   - If you don't have either, you may be eligible for the CA DREAM Act App and scholarships
2. Bring your family's most recent 2016 Federal tax forms like 1040, W-2, bank statements, etc. You will not have to reveal this information to anyone, but you will need it to complete the forms.
   - If your family does not file taxes and/or receives public assistance please bring those statements.
   - To locate a FREE Tax Preparation Center in your neighborhood visit www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org
     (EarnItKeepItSaveIt! is a program of the United Way of the Bay Area. Information updated January 2018)
3. Check if your school has submitted your Cal Grant GPA to the California Student Aid Commission. To check the status of your Cal Grant, create an account at webgrants4students.org
4. Check college/university websites for special financial aid deadlines and forms (i.e. Collegeboard's CSS Profile).

Cal Grant — What's your ticket to take you? For more workshops: calgrants.org or 1-888-CA-GRANT

CASH FOR COLLEGE ECMC

For more information, contact
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12. S.A.T Preparation Workshop

Richmond Public Library Teens is offering a six-week S.A.T. Preparation Workshop where students will receive a pre-test, four weeks of live instruction from certified instructors, and a post-test. The workshop will be held March 17th – April 28th and is opened to students who live in Richmond, and a limited number of students who attend schools in West Contra Costa County. Enrollment is limited to 25 participants. Registration forms are available at the Richmond Public Library and high school counselor/career offices.

For complete details, go to www.richmondlibrary.org or contact Angela Cox at (510) 620-5516. This program is sponsored by The Friends of the Richmond Public Library in collaboration with the Ed Fund.

13. Rent Program Community Workshops – Tenant 101 in Richmond

Community Workshop - Tenant 101 in Richmond
Saturday, February 17th
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
City Council Chambers
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

This workshop is designed for tenants who would like to learn more about Rent Program rules and regulations.

Topics for discussion include:
- Just Cause for Eviction
- Relocation Payments
- Allowable rent increases
- Timeline for rent increases

Space is limited - RSVP today: https://rentprogram.eventbrite.com

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richmondrent.org/workshops
rent@ci.richmond.ca.us
510-620-6576

Taller Comunitario sobre el Programa de Renta: Los Fundamentos para Ser un Inquilino en Richmond

Sabado 17 de febrero de 2018
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Sala del Concilio de la Ciudad
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804

Este taller está diseñado para inquilinos que desean aprender más sobre las reglas y regulaciones del Programa de Renta.

Temas por repasar incluyen:
- Requisitos para desalojo de "Causa Justa"
- Pagos de reubicación
- Aumentos permisibles de renta
- Procedimiento para aumentos de renta

Espacio limitado - Confirme su asistencia hoy:
https://rentprogram.eventbrite.com

richmondrent.org/workshops
rent@ci.richmond.ca.us
510-620-6576

14.I-80 Central Avenue Operations Improvement Project (I-80 and Central Avenue)

Mike Brown Electrical set pull boxes and poured back concrete sidewalk along Central Avenue Westbound, and Ghillotti Brotherws set the K Rail along the I-80 Eastbound on ramp and drilled a 17-feet deep cast in drilled hole (CID) for new overhead sign structure.

For more information, please visit the project webpage at: www.ccta.net/projects/project/36, or call Community Outreach Representative Jacqueline Majors at (510) 882-1603; or email: I80CentralAve@gmail.com

15.Apply for Your U.S. Passport at Richmond City Hall!

The City of Richmond City Clerk's Office is accepting passport applications on behalf of the United States Department of State. United States citizens planning international travel may apply for their passport at 450 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 300, during the following hours by appointment only:

Monday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
(Closed 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM – days of operation only)

Please recognize that the area is an operational executive office, and a quiet zone. No drop in service for same day appointments or scheduling future appointments is available at this time; you **must** call **(510) 620-6786** to schedule **all** appointments.

For application forms, information on documentation required, fees, and a wealth of other passport and international travel information, visit the only official website for passport information – travel.state.gov.

For more information about the City of Richmond Passport Acceptance Facility, please visit http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/passports.

Apply for your U.S. Passport at Richmond City Hall!

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Go to: www.ci.richmond.ca.us/passports
for application forms and information

City of Richmond
City Clerk's Office
450 Civic Center Plaza, Ste. 300
Richmond, CA 94804

PASSPORT SERVICE HOURS

Monday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

(Closed 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY – NO WALK-INS
YOU MUST CALL (510) 620-6786

16. Community Services Highlights

Upcoming Events

The 15th Annual Chinese New Year Celebration

The Richmond Community Services Department is proud to present the 15th Annual Chinese New Year Celebration on Saturday, March 3rd from 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium.

This year's event features new performances from the Fei Tian Dancers from UC Berkeley, Queer Taiko, Mexico Danza, and two new Laotian groups. As has been the tradition for many years, White Crane Lion and Dragon Dance Association will open the performance with lions and dragons.

Doors open at 4:00 PM. Dinner will be served from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

Tickets are $15 per person and are on sale at:
Richmond Senior Center
2525 Macdonald Avenue, Richmond

For more information contact the Senior Center at (510) 307-8087 or follow us on Facebook.

ServiceWorks Bootcamp - Save the Date – APRIL 7th

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 7th 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. We want to inspire YOU to become agents for change in your own communities, all for FREE! RSVP today!

ServiceWorks Boot Camps are productive, fun and inspiring events--so register today and invite your peers to spread the word!

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

Scholar Participant Sign-Up (16-24 only):
https://swrichmondbootcamp2018.eventbrite.com

Volunteer Sign-Up for General Volunteer, Workshop Facilitators, or Panel Hosts (18+): https://tinyurl.com/swbootcampvolunteers18

Please contact Vanessa Chau at (510) 620-6552 or email Vanessa_Chau@ci.richmond.ca.us for more information.

Job and Volunteer Opportunities

ServiceWorks Fellows

ServiceWorks Richmond has two part-time positions available that are looking to be filled ASAP!

We are looking to hire enthusiastic leaders who are interested in being ServiceWorks Workshop Facilitators to work alongside the ServiceWorks team. This position works with young adults who are interested in leadership, resume building, and volunteering.

Fellows are part-time positions that work up to 20-30 hours/week (including nights and weekends) from February 2018 - November 2018 and earn up to $1,350 a month. The applicant must be 18+, have a college or graduate degree, or be enrolled in a undergrad or graduate program.

The application deadline is February 11th at 5:00 PM and we will be hosting interviews in the next few weeks. Fellows will be on-boarded after the position is accepted. For more information, please visit https://www.facebook.com/ServiceWorksRichmond/

We ask that all applicants send cover letters and resumes to Nicholas_Delgado@ci.richmond.ca.us

Richmond Tool Library Part-Time Position

WE'RE HIRING!

TOOL LIBRARY STAFFER

We are seeking a part-time individual to assist with staffing hours, checking over tool inventory, updating social media, organizing, simple bookkeeping, and a few other tasks.

Tool experience is not necessary but is a plus. Must be available Monday and Friday afternoons, some Wednesday evenings, some weekends (as needed), and on-call (as needed). Knowledge of other languages (i.e. Spanish), a plus.

Anyone interested need apply through the City of Richmond's Office Clerk/Cashier position

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📞 510-620-6553

Please send a email to toollibrary@ci.richmond.ca.us letting us know you applied, with a resume attached.

The Richmond Tool Library is hiring!

We are seeking a part-time individual to assist with staffing hours, looking over tool inventory, social media, organization, simple bookkeeping, and a few other tasks. Please see the description attached for a sample of duties and responsibilities. Tool experience is not necessary but is a plus.

Anyone interested should apply to the City of Richmond's Office Clerk/ Cashier position: tinyurl.com/richmondcaofficeclerk

Please email your resume to toollibrary@ci.richmond.ca.us once your application is submitted so we can look for your application.
Info: (510) 620-6553

ServiceWorks Richmond – Volunteers Needed

ServiceWorks, in conjunction with the City of Richmond Community Services Department, Points of Light, AmeriCorps and Citi Foundation, is actively recruiting volunteers to assist with groundbreaking programming. The program's primary goal is to engage young adults (16-24 years of age) and bring educational modules that drive skill building, volunteering, and success coaching as strategies to help address barriers to youth economic opportunity.

The program offers the opportunity for participants, also known as Service Scholars, to gain valuable college and career experience to which they may not have easy access. Through developing their own service projects and team exercises, Service Scholars will have the opportunity to gain a range of skills.

Volunteers are vital to the success of this program. We are looking for all who wish to make a positive impact on the lives of the youth within our community. Whether it is for a week, a day, or even just a few hours in a month, you can help empower the service scholars to face any obstacle that they may block their path towards sustainable community development.

ServiceWorks gives youth the keys to unlock their future; we are looking for volunteers who will give them the means to open the door.

For more information, please contact: Nicholas Delgado (510) 621-1834, or email: Nicholas_Delgado@ci.richmond.ca.us

<u>Highlights</u>

<u>Youth Job Fair</u>

On Saturday, January 27th, the Community Services Department, ServiceWorks, and Aquatics Lifeguards participated in the Youth Job Fair at the Richmond Auditorium. The morning event was co-sponsored by the City of Richmond in an effort to recruit youth for various year-round and summer positions available through the City and East Bay Regional Parks District (EBRPD). The job fair attracted 208 youth seeking employment or volunteer opportunities.

The City of Richmond Lifeguards teamed up with EBRPD and Aquatics staff and used CPR mannequins to demonstrate rescue scenarios that lifeguards are trained to handle.

For anyone interested in becoming a Lifeguard and/or working for the City of Richmond, a class is being offered through the Community Services Department

during Presidents Week – February 16-24. Space is limited to 16 participants, so please register ASAP. For additional information about the course, call (510) 620-6831. For registration information, call (510) 620-6793.

<u>ServiceWorks for Making Waves Academy!</u>

Last Friday, February 2nd, ServiceWorks (hosted by Richmond CSD) held two advisories that consisted of 40 students from Making Waves Academy for their Annual Service Day. In partnership with the City of Richmond and the Making Waves Foundation, ServiceWorks and the students created over 80 care packages for seniors at the Senior Center and the Annex. The day was comprised of: discussions on service, a candid conversation on the impact service and communication has on a community, volunteer organization and mobilization through care packages, and wonderful time spent with seniors at the two Richmond senior centers.

In addition, Love Your Block also partnered with ServiceWorks for the day of service. Thirty-seven students learned about the causes and effects of illegal dumping, and what can be done to reduce it. They formed into small groups and created five banners and smaller posters with slogans and illustrations that raise awareness about illegal dumping.

Their banners will be hung up in five locations that have been identified as illegal dumping hot spots by Love Your Block and the Environmental Health Initiative. The art service project will help kick off the upcoming CalRecycle Illegal Dumping Campaign, which aims to reduce illegal dumping in Richmond.

We at Love Your Block appreciate the students' hard work and thoughtfulness that went into designing the banners!

Rancho Market Mural Brainstorm Session

Five (5) apprentices have been selected to assist the project lead artists in facilitating the community design process and installing a full mural at Rancho Market. The apprentices are Alfonso Leon, Azia Marie Banagan, David Castaneda, Jahira Fragozo, and Jamarrea Frazier. Banagan, who is 12-years-old, is an award-winning student artist and a North Richmond resident. The other apprentices have a diverse blend of art experiences, expertise, and personal backgrounds. Congratulations to our apprentices!

As we progress with the Rancho Market Mural Project, there will be three brainstorm sessions held throughout this month. Come out to one of the sessions to voice your opinion about what you want to see on the building walls.

The visioning process for the community-driven art designs will include two public events:

● Wednesday, February 14th from 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM at Shields-Reid Community Center with school children who participate in the center's after school program

● Wednesday, February 21st from 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM at the market located at 500 Market Ave, Richmond
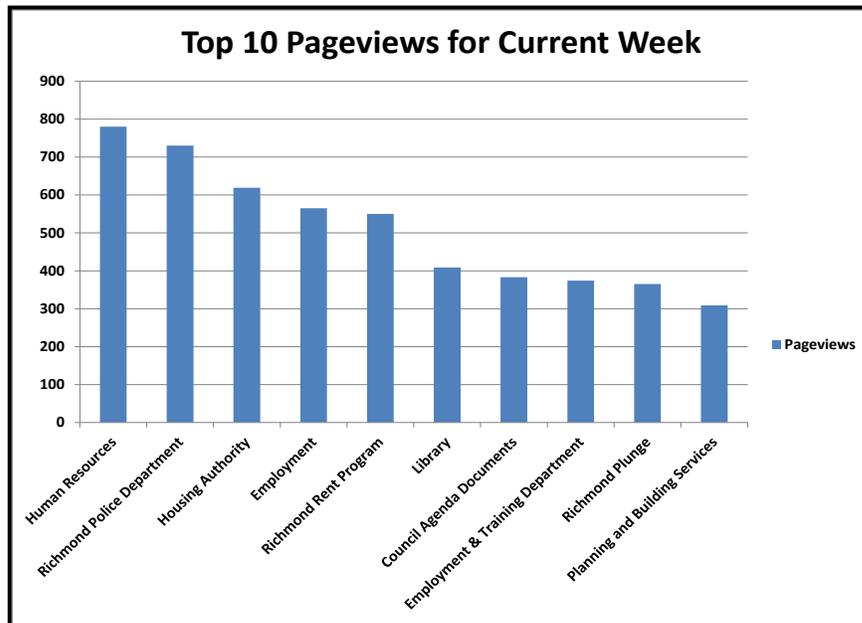
Mural Comunitario — Community Mural

Shields Reid

More than 30 kindergartners through 3rd-graders participate daily in the Shields Reid Achieve Afterschool Walking Carpool. Program Leaders from Shields-Reid Community Center met up at Verde Elementary School at 2:30 PM, Monday through Friday, to provide a safe walking experience for afterschool participants. Parents are happy that their children are safe and monitored on their one-mile walk from the school to the program. Staff is also able to make valuable teacher connections and the children get exercise on their daily walk.

17. Information Technology

Website Statistics for the Week Ending 02-09-2018

Top 10 Pageviews for Current Week

↑ Video views are up 100%
↑ Page previews up 93%
↑ Profile visits up 113.9%
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18. Engineering/CIP Departments

Streets Division:

Last week, paving crews grinded and paved Bishop Alley from Washington Avenue to End East and worked from the outstanding pothole list in various locations around the City.

Paving on Bishop Alley

During the prior week, crews performed base repairs on Roosevelt Avenue and worked from the outstanding pothole list in various locations around the City.
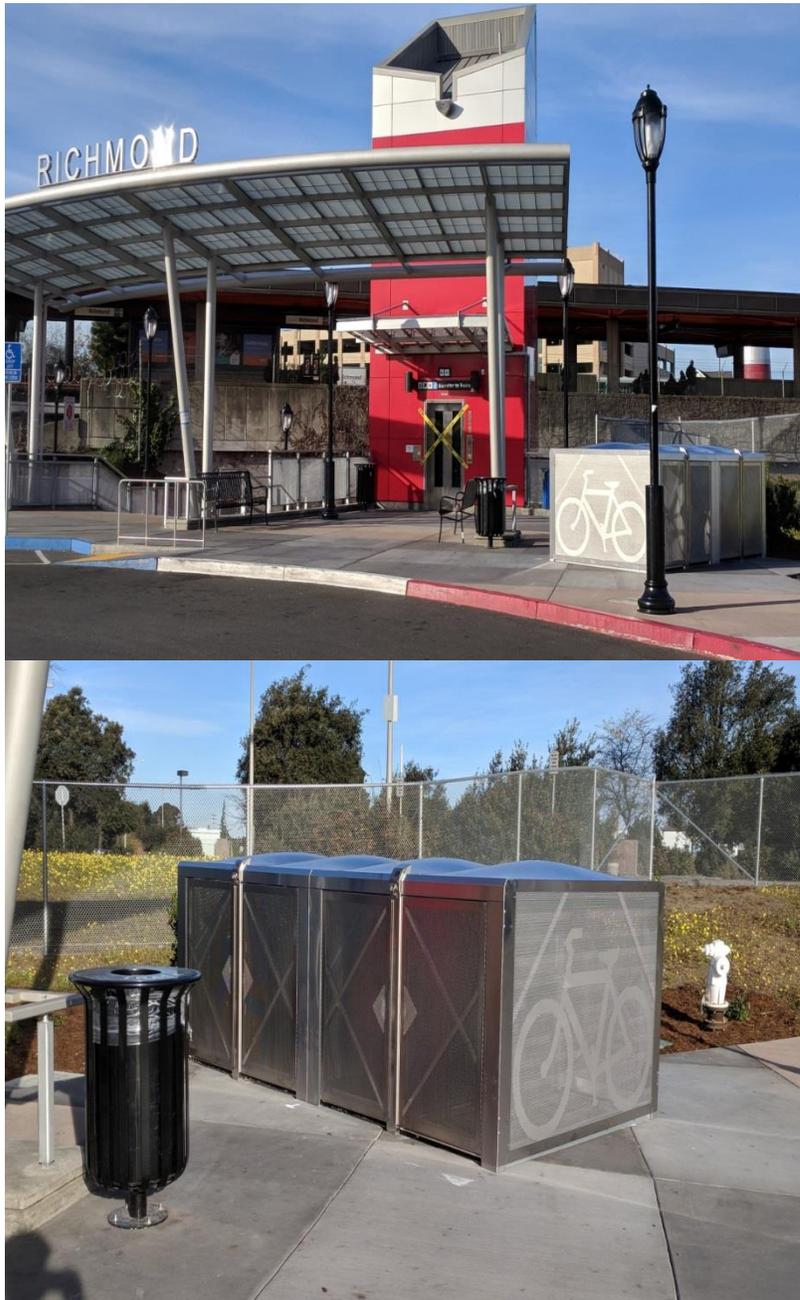
Base Repairs on Roosevelt Avenue

Pothole Work

During the past two weeks, street sweeping staff performed residential sweeping services for the first Monday through Friday in the Parchester Village, Hilltop Bayview, Hilltop Green, Fairmede/Hilltop, Carriage Hills Northside, El Sobrante Hills, Greenbriar, Hansford Heights, Via Verda, San Pablo Dam Road and Bristole Cone neighborhood council areas. Street sweeping staff also performed

residential sweeping services for the fifth Monday through Friday in the Richmond Parkway and Medians neighborhood council areas.

During the past two weeks, Signs and Lines repaired 22 signs and poles, installed 23 new signs, reworked the new crosswalk on Regatta Boulevard, and painted 46' of curbs and zoning.

Engineering Projects:

Eight new electronic bike locker units have been installed and are ready to use at the newly renovated Nevin Avenue eastern entrance to the Richmond BART/Intermodal Station. The much needed improvement is due to a collaborative effort between the City's Engineering Department and BART's Customer Access Programs group. BART will own and maintain the units.

Bike Locker Units at Richmond BART

Traffic signals on 13th Street and Lincoln Avenue are back in full operation after being burned by a thunder storm last fall.

Work on 13th Street and Lincoln Avenue

19. Infrastructure Maintenance and Operations

Work during the past two weeks included the following:

Abatement:
Abatement crews boarded up a private property, removed debris from Freeman's Tow Yard at the Police Department's request, continued removing tons of illegal dumping and removed graffiti throughout the City.

Board-Up

Tow Yard

Illegal Dumping

Graffiti

Code Enforcement:
The Code Enforcement unit received a complaint in regards to a residential property containing construction equipment, a diesel fuel storage tank and commercial dump trucks. The property owner was contacted notifiying them that the property was not zoned for commercial use. With the assistance from the Planning and Building Department, confirming that the property was not to be used as commercial storage for equipment or vehicles. The property was brought into compliance and all construction equipment and vehicles were removed from the property.

Before and After

Facilities Maintenance Division:

Carpenters assembled furniture at 440 Civic Center Plaza, repaired a broken door in the Auditorium, relocate shelving from the City Hall basement and reinstall a movie screen at the Point Richmond Community Center.

Painters continued with the painting of the exterior of the Dispatch Center.

Painting of the Dispatch Center

Stationary Engineers conducted daily building and pool checks, repaired the door knobs at the Dispatch Center, removed computer rails from the Dispatch Center, replaced the propane tank hoses at Fire Station #66, repaired the air conditioning unit at Fire Station #67, fixed leaking sinks at the Nevin Community Center and repaired a toilet in the restroom of the Art Center.

Utility Workers scrubbed mats at the Plunge in the men's locker room, spot cleaned the carpet in the Multipurpose Room of 440 Civic Center Plaza, set up various rooms for events, set up Council Chambers and maintaing 2 City owned facilities.

Carpet Cleaning at Civic Center Plaza

<u>Abatement:</u>
Abatement crews abated litter and weeds along Portola Avenue, continued removing tons of illegal dumping, and removed graffiti throughout the City.

Weed Abatement

Illegal Dumping

Graffiti

Code Enforcement:
Code Enforcement Officer Ewing observed a homeless encampment on property near Kaiser Hospital. CE Officer Ewing contacted the property owner in regards to abating the violation. With the assistance of the Police Department, the subjects were removed and the debris left on the property was immediately abated by the owner.

Encampment Before and After

While conducting inspections in the Parchester Village area, Code Enforcement staff observed a property that had outside storage and an accumulation of trash, junk and debris. This property had been the recipient of serveral notices from Code Enforcement in the past for the same violation. A notice was issued to the property owner to abate the outdoor accumulation and remove all signs of auto repair. Upon re-inspection, the property has been brought into full compliance.

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Before and After

Code Enforcement Officer Causey was inspecting a location on 14th Street and observed individuals illegally dumping on a vacant lot. Richmond Police were called for assistance. Contact was made and the individuals were warned that they were in

violation; they were also made aware of the fines associated. The individuals immediately began to remove the debris and left the area.

Illegal Dumping

Facilities Maintenance Division:
Carpenters placed gravel and rebar pad for the electrical panels at Nicholl Park.

Painters completed the gymnasium walls at the Booker T. Anderson Community Center.

Stationary Engineers conducted daily building and pool checks, repaired the air conditioning unit at 440 Civic Center Plaza, cleared sewer at the Recreation Complex, repaired the shower drain at Fire Station 67, replaced exit device at the Housing Authority, replaced the electronic timer for the heater at the Museum, replaced heater motor in the Richmond Building facility, fixed the furnace and reprogrammed the timer at Shield Reid.

Parks and Landscaping Division:
General maintenance crews delivered 60 yards of mulch to Carlson Meadows, repaired irrigation at LaMoine Park, trimmed and weeded median on Bayview Avenue, removed old signs from Nicholl Park, repaired fencing, removed graffiti from the Greenway, and installed two new benches at the Plunge.

Bench Installation at the Plunge

The Tree crew trimmed or cut trees on/at: 18th Street, 25th Street, and Golden Gate Avenue.

Tree Trimming on Golden Gate

Hilltop District crews continued maintenance around Hilltop Mall business area, completed irrigation adjustments at Bay Vista Park, and continued weed abatement on Atlas Road.

Maintenance on Richmond Parkway

Marina District crews continued with the cement trail repair at Barbara J. Vincent Park and median strip clean up along Marina Bay Parkway.

Concrete Repair

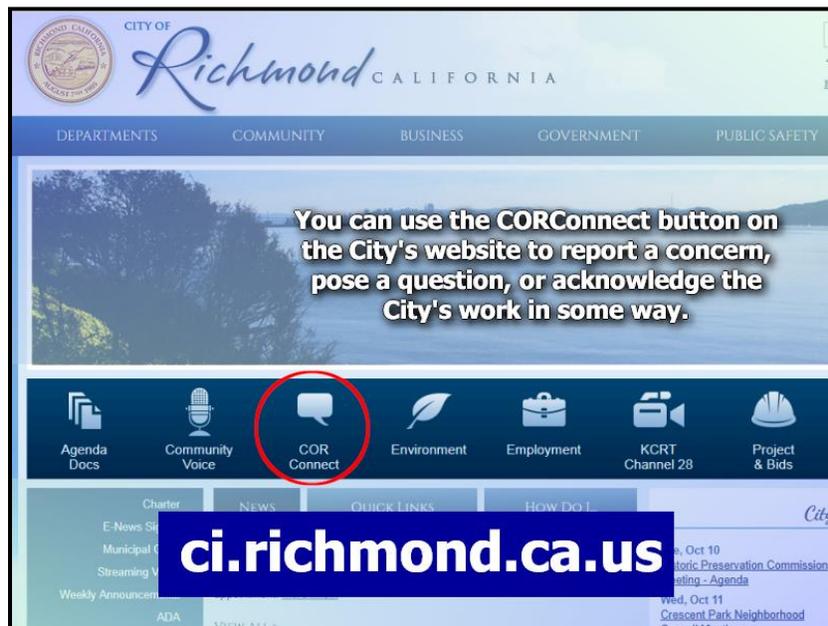*Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or comments about these or any other items of interest to you.*
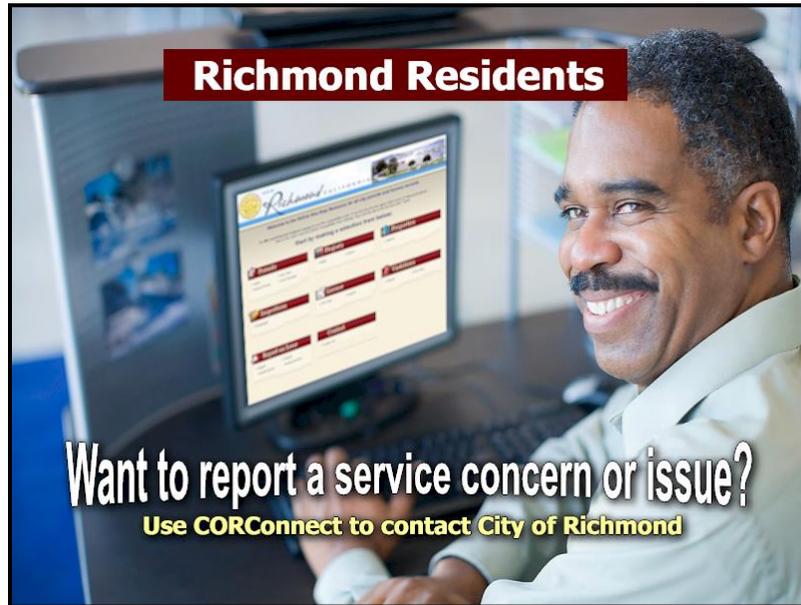
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