

Henry Washington  
Executive Director of Operation Richmond since 2010.

I am currently working on both a Master of Divinity and Master in Community Leadership at Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley.

My grandfather came to this city over 70 years ago and became the first African-American policeman. My uncle served four terms on the city council. I will continue the civic services my patriarchs have started. While I am not the man that my grandfather was, or my uncle is, I am dedicated to serving the City of Richmond with all my being. Our city needs jobs and I will work for new business development and with existing companies to expand our city's pool for viable jobs. A working city cannot work if there is no work. I will not rest until our unemployment rate of 10 % meets the national average of 6.2%. Our tax base must be increased through current and new business revenue. I am dedicated to overcoming our current budget challenges. The state of our public housing is an issue that I will give my utmost attention to in order that we might house the public respectfully and with dignity. I am committed to repairing the streets and traffic challenges in our city. Over the past several years I have exercised my passion for Richmond by working to eradicate gun violence, reforming poor educational results, engaging all spectrums of our citizenry, and promoting more inclusive policies for the marginalized. I will continue to do so.