Richmond voters approved Measures E and K, known as the Richmond Kids First Initiative, on June 5, 2018. Congruently, these measures require a portion of General Fund revenue be set aside to fund youth programs and services. They also established the creation of the Richmond Fund for Children and Youth (RFCY).

### Goals of Measures E and K
- Ensure the physical, emotional, and mental health of youth
- Increase safety by preventing problems and enhancing the strengths of children, youth, and young adults and their families
- Ensure youth are provided with gender-responsive, trauma-informed, population specific, and culturally competent services
- Strengthen collaboration between public agencies and CBOs
- Ensure equitable distribution of resources to all youth
- Fill gaps in services and leverage other resources

### Services that can be Funded by RFCY
- Violence Prevention and Response
- Education and Job Training
- Parent / Guardian Support
- Media, Arts, Culture and Technology
- Youth and Family Leadership, Organizing and Civic Engagement
- Health and Well-Being
- Environmental Health and Justice
- Outdoor Education and Recreation
- Support for young people and families experiencing or being threatened with deportation

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Measures E and K established the creation of the Department of Children and Youth and Oversight Board.

### Oversight Board

**Eligibility & Process:**
- Richmond resident
- Represent geographic diversity
- 1-year or 2-year terms
- 15 members
- 2 appointees from each City Council member
  - Over 24 years old (1)
  - 15 to 24 years of age (1)
- 3 appointees from the Mayor
  - 15 to 24 years of age (Min. of 1)

**Draft Roles & Responsibilities:**
- Attend at least 6 meetings and serve full terms (1-2 years)
- Participate in development of Community Needs Assessment & Strategic Investment Plan
- Participate in grant application review process
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- Recommend grant awards to City Council
- Monitor the Fund
- Facilitate an annual evaluation
- Review financial reports
- Participate in community engagement outreach
- Act as an advocate

### Timeline

- **May - August 2019:** Oversight Board Application Process, City Council Selection of Oversight Board, Community Outreach, & First Oversight Board meeting.
- **August 2019 - January 2020:** Community Needs Assessment Development Process
- **February 2020 - November 2020:** Strategic Investment Plan Development Process
- **December 30, 2020:** Strategic Investment Plan Approval by City Council
- **June 2021:** Grant Application Process Open