

## **Mayor and Councilmembers:**

This is the weekly report for the week ending November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### **1. Meeting Notes**

The next City Council meeting is this Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, beginning with a Closed Session at 5:00 PM and with the regular agenda at 6:30 PM.

For planning purposes, please be advised that scheduled City Council meetings during the remainder of the year following next week's meeting are (all Tuesdays): November 27<sup>th</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup>, and December 18<sup>th</sup>. The first meeting following the New Year will be the swearing in ceremony on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **2. City Offices Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday**

The City offices will be closed this week on Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

### **3. Richmond Preparedness Fair**

Are you prepared for the next emergency? Find out how on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> (tomorrow) at the Craneway Pavilion from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM at the Richmond Preparedness Expo. Over 20 local safety and disaster preparedness organizations will be on-hand with tips, demonstrations and more. Preparedness workshops will be provided on the community warning system, public transportation protocol, Shelter-in-Place orders, asthma education and general emergency safety. The first 1,000 adults to attend will receive a free disaster kit. Admission is free and there will be free shuttles available, free parking, and complimentary snacks and drinks. Please bring your family and join us for a fun day to learn how to be prepared and safe. For additional information, visit [www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com](http://www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com) or call 2-1-1.



## Building a Stronger, Safer, More Prepared Richmond Community

Learn more at the [Richmond Preparedness Expo](http://www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com)

**Saturday, November 17**  
**10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**  
Craneway Pavilion  
1414 S. Harbour Way, Richmond



The first 1,000 adults will receive free Disaster Kits.  
Complimentary snacks and beverages will be provided.  
Families are welcome, and free shuttle pickups are at various locations.  
For event and shuttle details, please call 2-1-1 or  
visit [www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com](http://www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com)

### Event Partners



## Construyamos una comunidad de Richmond más sólida, más segura y más preparada

Obtenga más información en la [Expo Preparación Richmond](http://www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com)

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**De 10:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m.**  
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Los primeros 1,000 adultos recibirán Kits de preparación contra desastres gratuitos.  
Se servirán bocadillos y bebidas de cortesía.  
Las familias son bienvenidas y habrá transporte gratuito desde varios lugares.  
Para más información sobre el evento y el transporte llame al 2-1-1 o  
visite [www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com](http://www.RichmondPreparednessExpo.com)

### Aliados del evento



4. **Healthy Richmond Logo Contest - \$500 Prize**

Healthy Richmond is a 10-year partnership funded by The California Endowment to create meaningful and lasting improvements in the health of children and youth in Richmond. Healthy Richmond is holding a contest for Richmond residents to create its new logo. The winner receives \$500 and a meeting with a graphic design professional to perfect the logo. The contest deadline is November 30<sup>th</sup>. View the [contest flier](#) and find out more about [Healthy Richmond](#).

5. **Health in All Policies Community Workshop**

Health in All Policies (HiAP) recognizes that the causes of health disparities, and the resulting health inequities, are the consequence of a variety of social factors that impact individuals and communities "upstream," beyond the scope of traditional health services. This concept acknowledges that all city departments impact health, even those that we do not traditionally consider as conducting health-related work.

The City Richmond's Health in All Policies Strategy is a collaborative approach with the goal of improving health equity by addressing the social determinants of health and integrating health into the decision making processes across all departments of the City. This past November 8<sup>th</sup>, Richmond Health Initiatives hosted the first Health in All Policies Community Workshop. Approximately 25 community members attended. City staff and UC Berkeley Public Health graduate students presented on topics including health equity, the social determinants of health, and the goals of Health in All Policies in Richmond.

Those interested in this Health in All Policies effort can learn more about this strategy and actively engage in its development at the next community workshop on November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM in the City Council Chambers. Find out more about Health in All Policies at [www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org). Please RSVP at [www.healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com](http://www.healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com) so that we can plan the logistics accordingly.

**Richmond Health Initiatives**



launches **Health in All Policies**

Come get involved!

Info Meeting: Nov. 8, 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 Working Meeting: Nov. 29, 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 City Council Chambers  
 440 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond  
 Light refreshments from 5:30-6:00pm



Please RSVP: <http://healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com/>

For more information about Richmond's Health in All Policies and other Health Initiatives please visit:  
[www.richmondhealth.org](http://www.richmondhealth.org) or call (510) 620-6606

**Iniciativas de Salud de Richmond**



lanza **Salud en todas sus Medidas**

Venga y involúcrese!

Info de la Junta: 8 de Nov., 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 Trabajo de la Junta: 29 de Nov., 2012, 6-7:30pm  
 City Council Chambers  
 440 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond  
 Comida ligera a partir de 5:30-6:00pm



Por Favor de Registrarse: <http://healthinallpolicies.eventbrite.com/>

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6. **City of Richmond Highlights Community Benefits and Urban Agriculture at EPA Brownfields Workshop**

The City of Richmond shared its efforts to promote community benefits and support urban gardens at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Brownfields Workshop in Oakland on November 7<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup>. Employment and Training Director Sal Vaca, Nicholas Alexander of RichmondBUILD, Richmond Housing Authority Director Tim Jones, and Housing Director Patrick Lynch hosted a Community Benefits session highlighting strategies for ensuring that the community has clean land, sustainable and affordable housing, employment, and open space. Jennifer Ly from the City Manager's Office presented in an Urban Gardens session, highlighting

the City's efforts to create policy infrastructure to support urban agriculture through the Community Health and Wellness Element, Urban Agriculture Assessment, and community partnerships. Unity Park, a 6<sup>th</sup> and Enterprise site, and the Richmond Plunge recently received EPA Targeted Brownfield Assessment funding to conduct soil testing. View all brownfields workshop [presentations](#).

7. **Richmond Health Equity Partnership – Progress Report**

The City of Richmond, Contra Costa Health Services, West Contra Costa Unified School District, and UC Berkeley have completed the first Richmond Health Equity Partnership Progress Report to The California Endowment. The Richmond Health Equity Partnership is a two year initiative to advance health and health equity in Richmond. Among report highlights are accomplishments in implementation of Community Health and Wellness Element action items, preliminary data tracking of health outcomes, and collaborations between participating agencies. View the [report](#). Find out more about the [Richmond Health Equity Partnership](#).



**INTRODUCTION**

The City of Richmond adopted an innovative General Plan 2030 in April 2012, making Richmond one of few cities in the nation to include an element dedicated to Community Health and Wellness. The City of Richmond conducted two years of pilot implementation of the Community Health and Wellness Element prior to its adoption. In January 2012, The California Endowment awarded the City of Richmond, Contra Costa Health Services, West Contra Costa Unified School District, and University of California, Berkeley a grant to implement the Richmond Health Equity Partnership over the course of two years. The Richmond Health Equity Partnership will support collaborative leadership among key systems working to improve health outcomes for children and families in Richmond schools and neighborhoods. This document is a progress report.

**PROJECT UPDATES**

**A) Intra-Agency Partnership & Collaboration**

Improved existing and newly established intra-agency partnerships focused on promoting health equity and participating in Healthy Richmond activities, as evidenced by:

Activities/Objective and Indicators	Outcomes and Deliverables	Timeline
1. COR will convene the Richmond Health Equity Partnership (HEP), a group of leaders from the City, CCHS, and WCCUSD. Technical support to HEP and its subcommittee will be provided by Jason Corburn. The WCCUSD will lead the development of the FSCS strategy subcommittee, CCHS will lead the Data Tracking and Health Report Card subcommittee, and the COR will lead the HIAP strategy subcommittee. Community Engagement will be a key component of all the subcommittees. The COR will be responsible for coordinating schedules and facilities for the HEP and subcommittees.	A1. A regular HEP meeting and sub-committee schedule will be established. Each subcommittee will develop a community engagement strategy. Minutes from all meetings will be kept and distributed by the subcommittee lead.	Months 1-24

Regular HEP meetings have been established. They occur on the fourth Wednesday of the month, rotating locations and meeting facilitators among the City of Richmond, Contra Costa Health Services, and West Contra Costa Unified School District. Meetings #1-6 occurred on March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, and September 26, 2012.<sup>1</sup> The Health in All Policies; Data, Tracking, and Training; and Full-Service Community Schools subcommittees continue to meet and are developing community engagement strategies.

8. **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) United Heckathorn Technical Assistance Meeting**

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, the EPA is hosting a meeting at which those interested can hear about and discuss the results from the recently

completed [Technical Needs Assessment \(TANA\)](#) for the United Heckathorn Superfund Site. (Please find meeting fliers in [English](#), [Spanish](#), and [Laotian](#).) At the meeting, the EPA will give a brief update on the clean-up schedule and an overview of the TANA process and findings. We are encouraging those interested to attend the meeting, get involved in helping implement actions identified in the report, and [find out more](#) about the United Heckathorn Superfund site.



### EPA Invites the Community to a United Heckathorn Technical Assistance Meeting

Come hear about and discuss the results from the Technical Assistance Needs Assessment (TANA) completed in October 2012 for the United Heckathorn Superfund Site located in Richmond, CA. This is a follow-up to the technical assistance workshop that EPA held on July 9, 2012. The purpose of the initial workshop and the subsequent community interviews was to gather information to better understand the technical assistance needs of Richmond communities, and to help them become more involved with the cleanup process.

**At this meeting, we will:**

- » Give a brief update on the site cleanup schedule
- » Give an overview of the TANA process and findings
- » Discuss the next steps for implementing the recommendations from the report



#### US EPA United Heckathorn Technical Assistance Follow-up Meeting

**Monday, December 3, 2012**  
Time: 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m.  
*at the*  
RichmondBUILD III Facility  
500 23rd Street  
Richmond, CA

If you have any questions about the workshop, please call Jackie Lane, Community Involvement Coordinator at (415) 972-3236 or email her at [lane.jackie@epa.gov](mailto:lane.jackie@epa.gov)

For more information on EPA's Technical Assistance resources, go to this website:  
<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/community/resources.htm>

For more information on the Site cleanup, contact Rachelle Thompson, Remedial Project Manager at (415) 972-3962, or email her at [thompson.rachelle@epa.gov](mailto:thompson.rachelle@epa.gov).

To read the TANA or for more Site information, go to the EPA website:  
[www.epa.gov/region09/UnitedHeckathorn](http://www.epa.gov/region09/UnitedHeckathorn)

## 9. YouthWORKS Division Update

The YouthWORKS Division has completed their move into their new building at 2705 Macdonald Avenue and expects to be open for public services beginning the week of November 26<sup>th</sup>. The Muir Career Academy, a charter high school serving youth ages 17 to 24, and the after-school Academic Program are fully operational.

In addition, case managers are able to serve clients. However, there are still technological and organizational challenges that prevent us from fully serving public and “walk-in” youth until the week of November 26<sup>th</sup>. Staff is planning an Open House for early January 2013.

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) Report has been finalized and is available online at <http://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/index.aspx?NID=1139> .

Even though fundraising was down by over \$50,000 this year, the SYEP program provided 263 youth with meaningful, career path work experience this summer. 247 of the youth were coordinated by Richmond YouthWORKS staff. An additional 16 high school age participants received their work experience at Doctor’s Hospital through a targeted grant-funded opportunity that was coordinated by the West Contra Costa Unified School District Health Academy and the County Office of Education.

Overall, 44 employers provided 70 individual worksites, including urban farms, elementary level summer schools, City of Richmond departments, Kaiser Hospital & Optical Lab, local daycare businesses, Brookside/Lifelong Medical Center, green energy non-profits, and auto mechanics.

The program was funded by (in order of contribution size) the City of Richmond, Chevron, Contra Costa County CSBG Program, Kaiser Optical, Levin Richmond Terminal, Richmond Pacific Railroad Corp., Mechanics Bank, Port of Richmond, British Petroleum, IPTE Local 21, and Genser & Watkins.

48% of participants came from households earning \$10,000 or less, with 80% from households earning \$30,000. The average household size was three individuals (including the participant) with a single adult present. Over 60% of the participants came from high risk neighborhoods in the Iron Triangle, North Richmond and Southside communities.

The CommunityWORKS project, a program of the after-school Academic Program has assisted with five community events and participated in one college preparation conference since the beginning of October. These events include two tree planting events for the National Park Service and GroundWORKS Richmond, the Point Pinole North Richmond Regional Park Festival, and the Homefront Festival. In less than two months, they have provided over 150 hours of volunteer service to the community. We cannot stress enough the empowerment for our youth that will last the rest of their lives simply from the creation of tangible improvements in their neighborhoods that they will see on an almost daily basis.



## 10. Recreation Highlights

### Community Emergency Response Team

The Pt. Richmond Community Center will begin hosting the Community Emergency Response Team, Marina Bay Neighborhood Team, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM.

### Parchester Thanksgiving

The Parchester Community Center hosted its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving luncheon sponsored by the Parchester Neighborhood Council on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. All the fixings of a Thanksgiving meal were served to over 150 Parchester community members from 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Homemade desserts and coffee were served while music and lively conversation culminated the fun filled event.

## Disabled People's Recreation Center

The Disabled People's Recreation Center Adult Morning participants continue to develop their daily living skills. This week, while shopping, they were given \$10.00 each and a 60% off coupon for Johann's Fabric. They were instructed to find an item not on sale, purchase the item, be sure to ask if the coupon was valid for the item and after paying, be sure the receipt showed their discount. A great job was done by all.

## 11. Public Works Updates

Parks and Landscaping Division: Crews performed fence repair along Carlson Boulevard, weed abatement along the Richmond Parkway Bay Trail, and landscape maintenance and rehabilitation at Boorman Park. They also replaced the header board at the Kern Play Lot, performed maintenance to the median along Jacuzzi Street, continued with the landscape rehabilitation at the Janice Play Lot in Point Richmond, and completed the rehabilitation of the overlooks in Point Richmond including the pathways and barriers.

The Tree Crew trimmed and pruned trees on Clinton Avenue, Plumas Avenue, and Lincoln Avenue, and removed a down tree in Point Molate.



Rehabilitated Barrier in Point Richmond

Streets Division: Pavement Maintenance crews worked from the outstanding pothole list.

Street Sweeping continued with the commercial and residential routes for the second Monday through Wednesday and the third Thursday and Friday of the

month in the May Valley, Vista View, Clinton Hill I – III, Atchison Village, South Belding Woods, Santa Fe, Coronado, Marina Bay and Point Richmond Neighborhood Council areas.

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*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 and a wonderful Thanksgiving!***



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