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C/O COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF NORTH RICHMOND
1535A THIRD STREET
RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA 94801



Local Recycling & Disposal Resources

Televisions & Computer Monitors

West County Household Hazardous Waste Facility
101 Pittsburg Avenue, Richmond
888-412-9277
Drop off: **Free to West County Residents only.**
Open Thursdays, Fridays and the first Saturday of each month from 9am - 12pm & 12:30pm - 4pm

Large Appliances – Non-Freon (Stoves, Dishwashers, Washers, Dryers, etc.)

Sims Metal
600 South 4th Street, Richmond
510-412-5300
Drop off only

American Iron and Metal
1050 Brookside Drive, Richmond
510-233-0440
Drop off only

Large Appliances – Freon (Refrigerators, Freezer, Air Conditioner)

JACO Environmental
800-741-0172
Pick up only – Fees apply
American Iron and Metal
1050 Brookside Drive, Richmond
510-233-0440
Drop off only – Fees apply

Tires

Big O Tires
12952 San Pablo Ave, Richmond
510-234-1721
Drop off only – Fees apply

Firestone Store
1001 Hilltop Mall, Richmond
510-222-4422
Drop off only – Fees apply

Richmond Tire
1608 Market Street, Richmond
510-237-2712
Drop off only – Fees apply

FS Tire Recycling
113 13th Street, Richmond
510-236-7493
Drop off only – Fees apply

J & O Commercial Tire Center
533 South 13th Street, Richmond
510-237-6344
Drop off only – Fees apply

Golden Bear Transfer Station
Foot of Parr Blvd., Richmond
510-236-8451
Drop off only – Fees apply



For additional resources call 800-750-4096 or visit www.ccrecycle.org

Keep North Richmond Beautiful

This program is jointly funded by the City of Richmond and Contra Costa County.

North Richmond is Cleaning Up!

A host mitigation fee is being paid by Republic Services Inc. to the City of Richmond and to Contra Costa County to benefit the North Richmond community as one of the permitting requirements for the new transfer station located at the site of the old landfill at the foot of Parr Boulevard in Richmond.

A committee including 3 members of the Richmond City Council, County Supervisor John Gioia, and 3 members from the North Richmond Municipal Advisory Council was created to develop a spending plan for the Mitigation Fees. This City and County approved spending plan allocates funding to 3 categories covering 18 different strategies:

- Prevention and Education
- Abatement and Enforcement
- Community investment

Below you will find information regarding some of the strategies that have been put into action.

Lola Ejiwunmi, the Community Services Coordinator (CSC), works out of the Community Housing Development Corporation (located at 1535A Third Street in North Richmond) and serves as a link between the North Richmond Community, the City of Richmond and Contra Costa County for issues related to illegal dumping and blight. The CSC assists Committee staff in the implementation of several Mitigation Fee programs including:

- organizing beautification efforts including litter removal & landscaping projects
- overseeing a stipend program involving West Contra Costa Unified School District students and Youth-Build participants assisting with above mentioned beautification projects
- acting as a connection between multiple entities for all illegal dumping reporting incidents in the North Richmond community
- assisting with the distribution of education materials to residents about trash, illegal dumping

reporting and prevention, environmental health and building code enforcement

A Bilingual Outreach Services Coordinator has recently been hired and will assist the Community Services Coordinator in education and outreach efforts to the Latino community in North Richmond.

A Code Enforcement Officer, dedicated to North Richmond exclusively, assists with enforcement for illegal dumping on private property, as well as vacant lot cleanups and fencing. The new Code Enforcement Officer has been hard at work in the North Richmond community, handling a total of 18 cases in just the month of March. For incidents of private property illegal dumping or vacant lots in need of cleanup and fencing, please call (925) 335-1111.

A surveillance camera pilot program is currently underway in selected North Richmond locations. The outcome of this temporary project will assist Committee staff in implementing a more extensive surveillance camera project in the community in the coming months.

The City of Richmond Public Works crew has been designated to take over the illegal dumping and

graffiti abatement services for the entire North Richmond community through December 31, 2007. The consolidation of these services is intended to provide more efficiency to the abatement process. **To report illegal dumping or graffiti, call 510-215-9937.**

If you have any questions, comments or want more information, please call the Community Services Coordinator at 510-215-9937 or visit www.stopdumping.org.

If you would like to receive notification of future community meetings relating to the North Richmond Mitigation Fee Expenditure Plan, please contact the CSC to be added to the mailing list. Meetings provide updates on implementation of the approved strategies as well as opportunity for community members to offer input and get involved in some of the projects.

Look for the \$ sign throughout the newsletter designating projects & programs paid for by Mitigation Fees.

New Illegal Dumping Officer Named in North Richmond

Deputy Felipe Monroe has been recently appointed to the Illegal Dumping Investigator position (\$). Deputy Monroe brings eight years of experience with the Sheriff's Office to this job and is eager to dedicate his efforts to combat illegal dumping problems in North Richmond. The position was created to provide a law enforcement officer dedicated to investigating and building illegal dumping cases.

Deputy Monroe will coordinate with existing law enforcement staff in the North Richmond community to increase their presence at night, when illegal dumping occurs most. His investigatory work will help Derek Butts, recently assigned to the Illegal Dumping Prosecutor position (\$), pursue illegal dumping cases in North Richmond for prosecution. A portion of the District Attorney's time is dedicated to North Richmond. A Mitigation Fee funded reward system (\$) is also being constructed to assist in the investigations and casework carried out by the Illegal Dumping Officer and Prosecutor, respectively.



Call 510-215-9937 with landscaping projects ideas in the North Richmond community!

Community Calendar

Keep North Richmond Beautiful Steering Committee
Every 1st Thursday of the Month at 1:00 pm-2:30pm
515 Silver Street, Richmond

North Richmond Municipal Advisory Council Meeting
Every 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 5:00 pm-7:00pm
515 Silver Street, Richmond

Launch of New Website

Information about the North Richmond Waste and Recovery Mitigation Fee is now just a click away on the new website!

If you have questions, want more information or have feedback you would like to share with the committee and staff, please visit:

www.stopdumping.org

Bulky Item Pickups and Disposal Vouchers now available

For a limited time, households in the North Richmond Mitigation Funding Area will be able to **choose** between utilizing a Bulky Item Pickup or disposal vouchers (\$60 value). Only customers of Richmond Sanitary Service residing within the Mitigation Funding Area are eligible for the Bulky Item Pickup Program. Residents must provide photo identification and recent phone or utility bill to prove residency within the North Richmond Mitigation Area in order for the Bulky Item Pickup and/or Disposal Voucher application to be processed.

To find out if you reside within the North Richmond Mitigation Funding Area, please visit www.stopdumping.org to view a map of the area or call 510-215-9937. A copy of the map is also posted at the Shields Reid Community Center and the window of the Sheriff's Annex at 1535-B Third Street.

Bulky Item Pickup Program


Households can now take advantage of one free on-call pick up service for bulky items not accepted in the current on-call cleanups through RSS. The Bulky Item Pickup Program provides households, on a first come, first serve basis, with one free pickup per year and disposal of up to three items depending on type and cost of items (associated disposal cost may be required). Eligible items include: refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, water heater, stove, washer, dryer, dishwasher, microwave, mattresses, box spring, bathtub, toilet, dresser, desk, sofa/couch, and chair. Additional pickup and drop-off options are listed on page 4.

Disposal Voucher Program

Households in the North Richmond Mitigation Funding Area have access to vouchers that can be used to dispose of extra household trash. The vouchers (\$5.00 each), can be used as payment when disposing of trash at the Golden Bear Transfer Station at the foot of Parr Boulevard in Richmond. Disposal vouchers are available for a limited time, on a first come, first served basis. Eligible households may request up to twelve (12) \$5 disposal vouchers per year.

If you are interested in either of these programs, please call the Community Services Coordinator at 510-215-9937 or visit www.stopdumping.org to set up an appointment or request more information about the bulky item pickup or disposal vouchers.

The Tile Art Project



The students at Verde Elementary School's after school program have used their creativity to enhance overall community pride while encouraging litter reduction and recycling. Mr. Harold Beaulieu, Contra Costa County Arts Commissioner, worked with the students to create artwork on ceramic tiles with imagery directly related to preserving the environment.

The finished artwork will be placed on the new Mitigation Fee funded trash receptacles () on Third Street, Giaramita Street, Market Street and 5th Street.

Please dispose of your garbage properly

New Playground Structure for Shields Reid Park

One of the benefits of the Mitigation Fee Expenditure Plan for the North Richmond community is the replacement of the existing play structure at the Shields Reid Community Center. The Community Housing Development Corporation received a \$3,000 seed grant from KABOOM! to supplement funds dedicated to the purchase and installation of the playground equipment. Improvements at Shields Reid are already underway with the construction of a new basketball court (funded by the City of Richmond). The new play structure is expected to be installed by volunteers on Saturday June 30, 2007. Come join us!



We need volunteers to participate in the Community Build Day!
Please call the Community Services Coordinator at **510-215-9937**

Attention Richmond Sanitary Service (RSS) Customers – Take advantage of 2 on-call clean-ups per year – at no extra charge!

Each RSS customer is allowed 2 clean-ups per calendar year without any extra cost. On-call clean-ups, requested at your convenience, take place on your regular garbage pick-up day. Follow the guidelines below to prepare for your clean-up day:

- Please call RSS at least two weeks in advance to reserve your clean-up day.
- The pick-up is limited to fifteen 30-35 gallon bags. Bags must not exceed 40 lbs. Clean-up piles exceeding 15 bags will be subject to an extra charge.
- Bags must be at the curb no later than 6:00 am on your scheduled pick-up day.
- Please place sharp or jagged objects in a separate bag labeled "Handle with Care".
- Do not combine your trash with your neighbor's trash.
- No large or bulky items can be picked up. For these items, please utilize the Bulky Item Pick-Up or Disposal Voucher Program described above.
- Call RSS Customer Service at (510) 262-1610 for more information.

Important Telephone Numbers

Sheriff
925-646-2445

Richmond Police Department
510-233-1214

Illegal Dumping Hotline
510-215-9937

Code Enforcement
925-335-1111

Animal Services
510-374-3966

Golden Bear Transfer Station
510-236-8451

Richmond Sanitary Service
510-262-1610

Keep North Richmond Beautiful Great American Cleanup™
will be held **Wednesday May 23, 2007 - 8:00 am to 12:30 pm**

Please see inserted flier for more information or call the Community Services Coordinator at **510-215-9937**



Do you have a street light out on your block? Call 510-215-9937

