



About Us

We Are Main Street

Richmond Main Street Initiative

Our Mission

To revitalize historic
Downtown Richmond as a pedestrian-friendly urban village, offering products, services, arts, and entertainment that reflect the community's rich and diverse heritage.

Since 2001
Accredited Main Street Program
Urban Main Member
CA Main Street Alliance Member

Our Main Street Approach









Clean & Safe

Community - Building & strengthening relationships with all stakeholders

Promotions & Marketing - Promoting Downtown businesses & Downtown thru arts, culture, and entertainment activities

Clean & Safe - Enhancing public safety & cleanliness of Downtown

Economic Vitality - Supporting Downtown businesses & Richmond entrepreneurs, and ensuring equitable development

Design - Enhancing the physical appearance of Downtown

Our Team



Alicia Gallo
Interim Executive Director



Ronnie Mills
Project Manager

Board of Directors

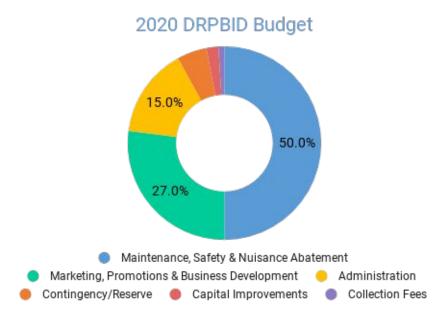
Robert Rogers, Chair; Charlene Smith, Vice-Chair; Sarah Wally, Treasurer; Yvette Williams, Secretary Billy Ward, Cynthia Haden, Michael K. Martin, Tami Steelman-Gonzales, Xavier Abrams

Downtown Richmond Property Based Improvement District (DRPBID)

A public-private partnership managed by Richmond Main Street Initiative (RMSI) and is funded by annual assessments on commercial and non-profit housing parcels. DRPBID funds pay for services and activities designed to make Downtown economically viable, safe, and attractive by continuing established environmental and economic enhancements that supplement base level City services.

Formed in 2012; Renewed for 5 years in 2017. 82 Parcels; 34 property owners.

6th-16th Street along Macdonald Avenue, between Barrett Avenue and Bissell Avenue



Our Community

Downtown Richmond

Residents

Businesses

Property Owners

Board of Directors & Committees

(Some of) Our Partners

Nonprofit & Community Organizations

East Bay Center for the Performing Arts, Fresh Approach, Iron Triangle Neighborhood Council, Renaissance Richmond, Rich City Rides, RPAL, RCF Connects, NIAD Art Center

City & County Departments

City of Richmond Economic Development, Public Works, Community Services, RPD, Supervisor John Gioia's Office

Funders & Supporters

DRPBID, Mechanics Bank, Kaiser Foundation, San Francisco Foundation, East Bay Community Foundation, Square, Wells Fargo

2020 Impact

Our COVID-19 Response

Sharing Valuable Information & Resources

Community Resource Directory
37 Small Business Mailers
4 Downtown merchant check-in campaigns
Partnership with Leftside Printing

Education, Advocacy & Collaboration

COVID response workshops & webinars
CA Main Street & Main Street America network
Advocacy for equitable small business relief &
collaboration between economic development partners



Our COVID-19 Response

Campaign to Protect Lives & Livelihoods 100% Richmond campaign

Launched in September & \$3880 raised 4 Richmond businesses tapped 17 Downtown businesses

- 140 custom cloth face masks
- 130 bottles hand sanitizer
- 55 face shields

Individual donations matched by Travis Credit Union Foundation COVID19 Relief Initiative



Meal Giveaway Program

Partnership with World Central Kitchen, Richmond PAL, 30+ community groups

September 1 - December 31

82,500 meals distributed

469 volunteers

"It's real helpful, because at the moment, we can't go to the grocery stores, our kids can't go to school, so it's real convenient" ~Meal program recipient



Clean & Safe

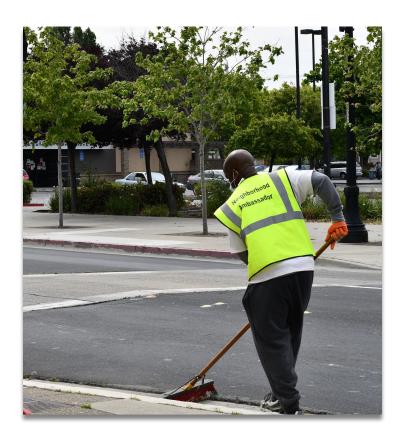
Neighborhood Ambassador Program

3 Ambassadors, 100% Richmond Residents
Deonte, Mary & Billy
2256 Hours of service

Maintenance & Hospitality Services Provided

550 Bags of debris removed242 Incident reports7 Businesses received targeted maintenance helpDaily business check-ins + 3 district-wide PSA visits

Brief hiatus April - May due to COVID19, "Big Splash" return in June



Clean & Safe



Beautification Activities

July 31, 2020

RPAL and Groundwork Richmond youth lead planter rehabilitation & weed abatement project @ 15th Street & Macdonald Avenue

Youth ambassadors beautify downtown
Richmond while gaining real-world experience



Volunteer Ambassadors

Deonte, Anthony, Chris

Economic Vitality



Supporting Small Businesses & Entrepreneurs

Square E-Commerce Program
Helping businesses survive and thrive
thru COVID19 conditions

Access to Capital & Debt Restructuring Workshop Kiva, Darya Sara Druch, Lawyers Committee on Civil Rights of the San Francisco Bay Area, UC Berkeley New Business Community Law Clinic

One-on-One Technical Assistance
Business development, access to capital,
COVID19 response navigation

Economic Vitality

Economic Development Indicators

Downtown Businesses

11 New Business Opens

4 Permanent Closures

16 Temporary Closures - 8 Re-openings

14 Transition to Work-from-Home mode

Public & Private Investments

\$735,000 public/private projects
2 Volta EV Level II Chargers
COVID19 health & safety improvements





Downtown Richmond

MERCHAR SHOWCASI

Sat. August 8 @ 2pm



MEET & SUPPORT OUR MERCHANTS
DOWNTOWN HISTORY & FUN FACTS
PLAY TRIVIA & WIN PRIZES!





Community

Coalitions & Working Groups

California Main Street Alliance
City of Richmond Economic Development Commission
Healthy Richmond Economic Justice Action Team
Iron Triangle Neighborhood Council
Measure U
Richmond COVID19 Small Business Support Working Group

Partnerships

City of Richmond

CoBiz Richmond

Renaissance Richmond

Richmond PAL

Fresh Approach

Urban History Hikes

Groundwork Richmond Square

Hass School of Business World Central Kitchen



Community

Richmond Main Street Volunteers ROCK!

569 Volunteers 2317 Hours of service \$62,545 Estimated value of volunteer time

Census 2020

Bay Area Complete Count campaign Robust digital marketing education & outreach campaign Called 1500 Iron Triangle households





Census 2020

"The Census is important and I want to make sure everyone has a chance to get counted for the next 10 years. I want to make sure that in the next decade we have all the resources we need for this community."

~Ricardo, Richmond Main Street Census 2020 Complete Count Ambassador

Promotions & Marketing

Virtual & Hybrid Events to Spark Joy During the Pandemic

Pre-Pandemic

<u>Downtown (Re)Discovered</u> Premiere - February 21

Virtual Community Events

Merchant Showcase - August 8

Spirit & Soul Festival - October 17

Aired on KOFY TV20!

8 businesses promoted, 6 performers featured

<u>Downtown Holiday Festival</u> - December 16

Socially Distanced Special Activities

Santa Claus is Coming to Rich City - December 12 22 volunteers, 140 special deliveries, 300 children



Promotions & Marketing



Leveraging our Platform to Support Local Businesses #SupportLocalSafely campaign

Dozens of Downtown & Richmond-based businesses & organizations profiled in e-newsletters and social media

Small Business Saturday - November 27

9 Downtown businesses promoted

Heart of Richmond - June

4 weeks, 12 businesses Sponsored ads, articles, <u>video spotlights</u>



Heart of Richmond

"The visibility has been incredible. Even for current customers seeing our business in a different light and getting to know more about me has forged a greater connection. I was proud to be a part of the series and also learn more about other Richmond business owners and their stories. I did see an increase in social media engagement, followers and even more sales coming directly out of Richmond. At a time like this it is needed."



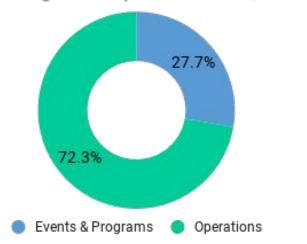


Budget Report

2020 Program Income \$323,119.01



2020 Program Expenses \$345,421.94











































2021 Work Plan

New Year, New Opportunities

Leadership Transitions

Staff & Board of Directors

Improving COVID19 Conditions

Cautiously optimistic

Positive Starts

Art In Windows 2021 is back...and with a twist NewLife Cafe Planter Ambassadors



Our Main Street Approach 2021

Clean & Safe

Neighborhood Ambassador Program, Planter Ambassadors, Chill with a Cop (August)

Promotions & Marketing

Spirit & Soul Festival (September), Art In Windows, Downtown Holiday Festival, Highlight Downtown businesses and happenings

Economic Vitality

Square E-commerce Program, 1:1 assistance

Community

Board of Directors, Committees, Community Partnerships

COVID19

Resource hub for businesses and residents



On the Horizon



Returning to 1600 Nevin Plaza

Exploring office re-opening options

DRPBID Renewal

Renewal process to begin May/June

Executive Director Search *TBA*



Q&A

Please use the "Raise Hand" feature so we can open the mic for you!

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