#### Richmond Summer Youth Employment Program Highlights



#### Challenges

- #1 ranking in California as the most violent city (per capita)
- #9 in the country (City Crime Rankings)
- 50%-60% High School Drop Out Rate
- 49%-56% of students pass the High School Exit Exam
- #1 in Academic Performance Index Ranking (10 being the highest)
- 14,000 youth between the ages of 15-21

#### AS JOBS FOR YOUTH GO UP CRIME GOES DOWN

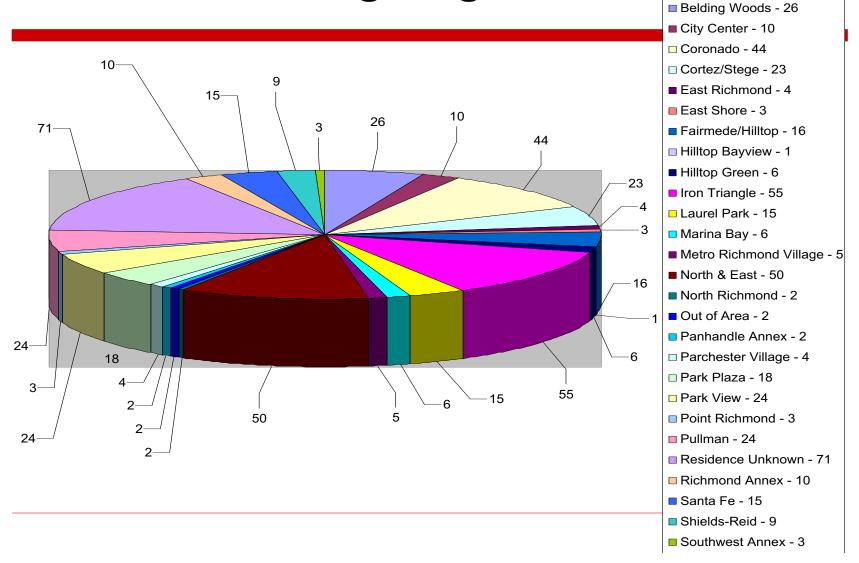
- Summer Youth Employment Programs are recognized as an effective tool for fighting crime.
- 14,000 youth in the city of Richmond; over 20,000 in West County.
- ➢ 600 applications accepted in 2007.
- > 452 were placed in summer employment.

#### DEMOGRAPHICS

92% of participating youth from households earning less than \$30,000 per year.

- 71% African American;
- 14% Hispanic;
- 9% Asian;
- > 2% White;
- 4% Mixed/Other

# 70% Came from the downtown area and surrounding neighborhoods.



### **OUR SPONSORS**

- City of Richmond \$300k
- Chevron \$75k
- Contra Costa CSBG \$39k
- Rich. Redevelopment Agency \$16k
- City CDBG \$5.5k
- Cherokee Brooks Street \$5k
- Kaiser Optical\$4k
- Contra Costa WIB\$3k

#### OUR SPONSORS Total of \$447,015

- Stoltz Metals\$2k
- Veolia Water\$2k
- General Chemical\$2k
- Auto Warehousing\$1k
- Kaiser Permanente\$1k
- California Oils\$1k
- Lucas Films\$1k
- Trico Pipe\$1k

#### PREPARING OUR YOUTH FOR THE FUTURE

- Assessments (Academic & Career Choices)
- Resume and Interview Prep
- Financial Literacy and Money Management (15 Mechanics Bank volunteers)
- All Day parent/youth orientation
- Each Youth gets 130 hours of work experience.

#### YEAR AROUND YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 07-08

- 36 Youth Placed in Part time Employment.
- 5 Youth in Internships that will Lead to Employment.
- 12 Receiving Academic Support to Improve GPA to a level that will allow them to work.

#### **GOALS FOR 2008**

#### 500 Youth Employed.

- 280 from YouthWorks
- **1** 220 from 13 Collaborative Partners
- Raise \$500,000.
- Secure funding, resources and improvements to achieve our eventual goal of serving 1000 Youth.

#### EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUTH IN 2008

- Energy Efficiency Training Program for Youth (12-14 slots).
- **SF Art Institute Summer Scholarships for 10 Youth.**
- One Richmond Youth will be selected for a 4 Year Full Ride Scholarship Valued at \$88,440.
- Art Scholarship Program Courtesy of Our partnership with Pankow Builders, Alliance Property Group, and Richmond Redevelopment Agency.

#### How To Reach 1000 Youth Employed

Expand our Partnerships and Increase Financial Sponsors.

- 13 Youth Providers will Serve 220 Youth
  - **Opportunity West**
  - WCCUSD Career Academies
  - Southeast Asian Youth & Family Alliance
  - Familias Unidas
  - Richmond SOL
  - Coronado YMCA
  - East Bay Center For The Performing Arts
  - East Bay Youth Consortium
  - Amer I Can
  - Neighborhood House
  - County Office of Education
  - Richmond High School 'College Is Real
  - Hoop Games

## THANK YOU



