

Richmond Youth Advisory Committee 2026 Work Program

The Richmond Youth Advisory Committee's (YAC) proposed 2026 Work Program outlines several initiatives with associated actions that support the YAC's mandate to act as a resource and provide advice to Council regarding the planning, development and implementation of policies, programs and services that directly impact youth and young adults in Richmond.

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Initiative	Actions	Expected Outcome
1. Participate in a YAC orientation and identify priority topics of interest and opportunities to form subcommittees.	1.1 Members participate in an orientation to the YAC to learn about the roles and responsibilities of advisory committee members, the YAC Terms of Reference and the City's current strategies and initiatives related to youth. 1.2 Members may indicate an interest in participating in YAC subcommittees and taking on additional related roles within the scope of the YAC Terms of Reference.	Members are aware of and understand the following: • The YAC Terms of Reference • Their role as an appointed member of the YAC • The YAC 2026 Work Program • Current City strategies and initiatives related to youth • Additional opportunities for involvement as part of the YAC
2. Build on knowledge and understanding of youth issues and emerging trends through information sharing, guest speakers and educational opportunities.	2.1 Monitor issues and emerging trends that impact or benefit youth in the community by inviting guest speakers to present at regular YAC meetings. 2.2 Provide youth perspective to contribute to a deeper understanding of emerging trends. 2.3 Identify and participate in internal and external youth-related educational opportunities, information sessions and special events to learn about issues and trends impacting youth that can inform the City's policies or practices.	Members of the YAC are informed of issues and trends raised by Richmond youth and that impact Richmond youth. The YAC is informed and well-equipped to provide youth perspectives and recommendations to City staff and Council.

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3. Act as a resource to the City by providing recommendations and perspectives on issues relating to youth in Richmond.	3.1 Respond to Council requests and provide advice on issues relating to youth in Richmond, including opportunities for youth engagement at the upcoming municipal election. 3.2 Provide input on City plans, strategies, projects and policies that impact youth, as requested. 3.3 Participate in and promote initiatives related to the implementation of the Youth Strategy. 3.4 Provide input and feedback to City staff on programs and services for youth.	Members of the YAC provide ongoing feedback on City strategies, policies and initiatives related to youth. YAC work is aligned with City priorities related to youth in Richmond. YAC work informs policy and initiatives related to youth.
4. Support the implementation of the City's Youth Strategy.	4.1 Provide input and feedback on initiatives led and supported by the City that address actions identified in the Youth Strategy, as requested. 4.2 Participate in initiatives related to the implementation of the Youth Strategy, as appropriate.	Members of the YAC are involved in the implementation of actions listed in the Youth Strategy, as appropriate.
5. Encourage public awareness and engagement on youth-related matters.	5.1 Promote opportunities for youth to participate in public engagement opportunities and programs led and supported by the City.	The YAC helps to increase awareness of opportunities for Richmond youth to provide input on initiatives that impact them.