

City of Richmond

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Choose Your Own Adventure!

Circular City Strategy Interactive Animation

Check out Richmond's interactive animation that explains our Circular City Strategy. Click on the directions you are interested in and learn more.

We would love to hear about what you do to live more circularly - email us at climateaction@richmond.ca

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Become a Richmond Citizen Scientist

You Could Win a Prize!

The City will be participating in our third annual City Nature Challenge. Join the Richmond Team and challenge other cities to see who can make the most observations of nature, who can find the most species and who can engage the most people.

The local wildlife photos and locations you upload will be included in [Global Biodiversity Information Facility data base](#) to track species populations which will help scientists find and use your data.

- [Download the iNaturalist app](#)
- [Join the Richmond team](#)
- Take photos of as many different species possible
- Upload them to iNaturalist app or website

The challenge takes place between Friday, April 26 to Monday, April 29, 2024. Results will be announced Monday, May 6, 2024.

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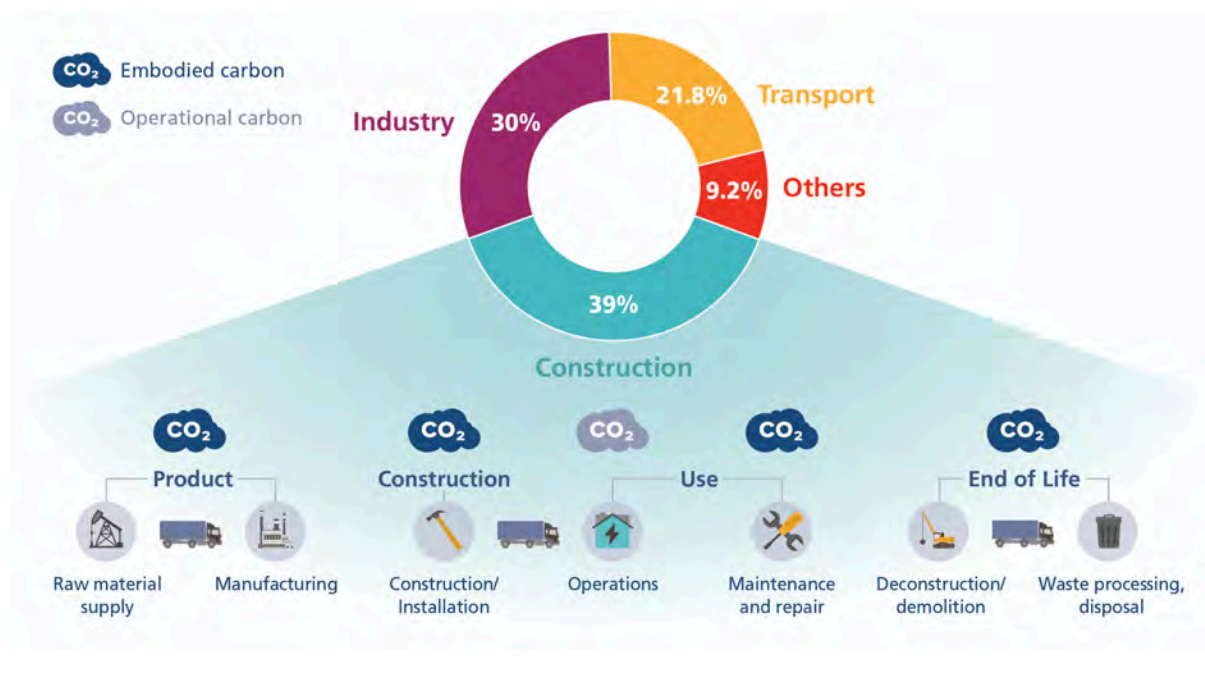
NEW! Richmond's Business Recycling

Resources Program

This free program provides an extra level of support for businesses to increase their recycling. By registering businesses have access to:

- customized coaching
- workshops
- how to develop a waste diversion plan and sustainable waste management practices
- tips on how to recycle correctly
- assistance in completing a waste audit

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Reducing Carbon

From Richmond's Construction

Did you know that embodied carbon refers to the fossil fuels used to make and transport things like concrete and windows?

Knowing that 39% of our emissions come from the built environment, Richmond is engaging with industry stakeholders and peers to learn about and share effective strategies, opportunities and challenges to reduce embodied carbon in the built environment. This engagement campaign is in line with the Richmond Circular City Strategy, the Community Energy and Emissions Plan 2050 and our Official Community Plan emission reduction policies.

Download the report [here](#).

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(Heat) Pump it up!

Another Low Carbon Energy Plant in City Centre

At the end of 2023, the One Park low-carbon energy plant was commissioned, and the Lulu Island Energy Company (LIEC), a wholly-owned corporation of the City of Richmond, started its operation.

Thermal energy for domestic hot water, space heating and cooling is provided via three electrically-powered air source heat pumps. One Park plant will further add to already 11,000 tonnes of GHG emissions reductions up to date by LIEC district energy systems.

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Flood Protection and Habitat Enhancement

Phase 2 of Sturgeon Banks Sediment Enhancement

The City and partner, Ducks Unlimited Canada, have entered phase two of the Sturgeon Banks Sediment Enhancement

Pilot project in order to enhance salmon habitat and mitigate flood risk.

Sediment dredged from the Fraser River is being deposited in three mounds along Sturgeon Bank to mimic natural riverine sediment over three years.

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It's Nesting Season

Consider our Feathered Friends this Spring!

Many species of birds in Richmond maintain their nests from the beginning of March to late August.

Before cutting, trimming or felling any vegetation, a Qualified Environmental Professional should survey the area for nests. Nests are not just found in trees; many birds nest in gravel, ground vegetation, shrubs and streambanks.

Most native birds, their eggs and their nests are protected under the provincial Wildlife Act and federal Migratory Birds Convention Act. Some nests like those of great blue heron and bald eagle are protected year-round.



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Environmental Win! Communications Campaigns

The City of Richmond has received two national Silver Leaf Awards of Merit from the International Association of Business Communicators (IABC) for its communication and community engagement to increase awareness and compliance with its single-use plastic ban and for its Rethink Waste Think Tank engagement campaign to generate ideas for reducing waste.

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Sustainable Policing A Greener Fleet Initiative

Richmond RCMP is proud to announce a significant stride in our sustainability efforts with the adoption of hybrid vehicles within our operational fleet. In alignment with its Strategic Policing Plan and the City of Richmond's commitment to sustainability, this move marks a pivotal shift towards reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the community.

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Another Win for Lulu International Award

The City of Richmond's award-winning Lulu Island Energy Company has been named winner of the coveted 2023 National Energy Globe Award for the expansion of its City Centre utility.

The award recognizes projects focused on energy efficiency, sustainability and the use of renewable energy or emission free sources in over 180 countries.

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