

RICHMOND BUSINESS COUNCIL COMMITTEES 2009-2010

The **Business Development Committee** works closely with the city's economic development office to highlight and promote development in the City of Richmond. This committee works with city leadership to identify barriers to commercial development and focuses on special opportunities, like economic development bus tours, to highlight enhancements and development in the city.
Committee Chair: Sheilla Shepperson, City of Richmond Economic Development

The **Education Committee** focuses on improving public perception of Richmond Public Schools and enhancing relationships between the corporate community and the school system. This committee is focusing efforts on Henderson Middle School this program year. Key events include the Richmond Teacher of the Year recognition in November and Principal for a Day in February.
Committee Chair: Phil Moeller, JD Communications

The **Government Affairs Committee** implements local government relations activities. They identify and address issues of interest to the business community within the City of Richmond and advocate for solutions with local, state, and federal elected and appointed officials. They maintain ongoing relationships with elected and appointed officials through a series of Casual Chat meetings and other interactions. This committee will also focus on marketing and branding for the City of Richmond.
Committee Chairs: Brooks Smith, Hunton & Williams

The **Transportation Committee** monitors transportation issues in the City of Richmond as they impact business and work to bring the corporate community and local government together to implement local and regional transportation solutions, such as high speed rail and the GRTC transfer center.
Committee Chair: Jamie Jackson, Astyra Corporation

The **Workforce Committee** will determine how the Richmond Business Council and the Chamber can play a role in creating a viable and talented workforce.
Committee Chairs: Joe Maslanka, Admiral Security and Mary Kay Wakefield, Richmond Alarm

HOW YOU CAN HELP...

Learn more about the focus and work of the Richmond Business Council through committee involvement. For more information, please contact **Danna Geisler** at 804-783-9309, Program Manager – Business Councils.