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# nFocus

A newsletter for the employees of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority

January 2009

## Message from Executive Director Greetings and Welcome to 2009!



Anthony Scott, Executive Director

In 2008 Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority continued its progress. It is due to people like you, who meet face-to-face with our customers, manage our properties, revitalize communities and forge partnerships with other agencies and businesses – keeping RRHA on the road to accomplishing the goals set forth in our Strategic Plan.

The Strategic Plan continues to provide RRHA's guiding direction for 2009. It is our roadmap to success and we must continue to be dedicated to staying on course, even when faced with inevitable obstacles.

As we look to the year ahead, we expect our capabilities to continue to be tested, but I'm confident in our abilities to remain focused on achieving our goals.

Our core values are the principles that govern our behavior and the way in which RRHA conducts business. As we navigate the road to achieve our Plan goals, I ask that each of you look to RRHA's core values to help guide you.



Richmond **Redevelopment & Housing** Authority

**BUILDING VIBRANT COMMUNITIES**

### RRHA's Core Values

- Customer-Focused
- Integrity
- Initiative
- Teamwork
- Creativity
- Accountability

As a community development agency, providing outstanding customer service has always been a RRHA priority. Remember that we are here to serve our customers...we must be **customer-focused** on all levels of our work. This means we will be diligent in being factual and timely and we will treat our fellow employees and our customers with respect at all times. Each employee's work is important to

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## Board elects Harrigan as the new Chairman

The Board of Commissioners of the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) elected Elliott M. Harrigan as the new Chairman during the Board's November 24, 2008 meeting. Mr. Harrigan replaces Brian K. Jackson, who resigned from the board as commissioner and as chairman in October.

Elliott Harrigan is the president of Harrigan & Company Inc., a real estate investment, development and management company. He is responsible for the general corporate manage-



Board Chairman Harrigan

ment of the firm including finance, legal and strategy. Mr. Harrigan is a former member of the Better Housing Coalition Commercial Advisory Committee and he formerly served on the Historic Richmond Foundation Board of Trustees. Mr.

Harrigan joined the RRHA Board of Commissioners in April 2004.

During the November Board meeting, Mr. Harrigan stated, "The Board of Commissioners extends its sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Jackson for his leadership and untiring dedication to the mission of this agency. His vision and enthusiasm have resulted in this Board being strategic and innovative in its work. As such, we will continue our efforts with our

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our growth and achievement of our goals. Work with integrity by being **ethical**, trustworthy and honest. And, take **initiative** – be a problem-solver, and be resourceful.

We are a company of nearly 300-employees and we cannot prosper as individuals; therefore, **teamwork** is critical to our vitality. I encourage you to collaborate with your fellow employees, share resources and eliminate duplication where it makes sense. And, build beneficial strategic partnerships and relationships both inside and outside of the Authority.

In our current economic and asset management environment, operating efficiently and being financially responsible is imperative. Now is the perfect opportunity to let your **creativity** shine. Again, I encourage you to be innovative in your problem-solving and solutions development. Your process or idea just might become the best practice we need to take the Authority to the next level. Remember, you can email us with your ideas to [budgetgoal@rrha.state.va.us](mailto:budgetgoal@rrha.state.va.us).

Finally, I am holding each and every RRHA employee **accountable**...for your work, for treating customers and each other with respect and for following the Authority's rules and regulations. Remain mission-focused and take pride and ownership in all of your endeavors.

RRHA's core values are integral to our success and will continue to guide our growth into the future. I challenge you to put your best foot forward to work hard and perform at your highest level. A wise man once said, "Success is never final." Keep this in mind as we achieve our goals throughout the year. We will take time out to celebrate our achievements, but we must remain focused on the goals we've outlined in our Strategic Plan:

- **Create healthy and stable residential and commercial communities**
- **Foster and create business and investment opportunities**
- **Act as a responsible financial steward and effectively manage programs under our supervision**
- **Provide quality, courteous, competent and timely customer service**

I'm excited about the possibilities I see for housing and community revitalization in Richmond. Relying on the key elements in our Plan will enable us to make RRHA an increasingly efficient, adaptable organization of skilled employees who will help Richmond become a place where families can thrive.

Thank you for your contribution to making RRHA successful in 2008. With your hard work and dedication, I know we will have a successful 2009. **IF**

## Attention Staff!

### Enterprise Business System (EBS) Implementation Project Underway!

**The contract is signed!** RRHA selected Yardi Voyager software as our EBS solutions provider. Voyager will replace the current MLS system.

**The priority has been established!** Per Executive Director, Anthony Scott's email message on December 18th, "Updating the technology that supports our everyday business processes is a key strategic priority and participation of staff at all levels will be vital to the success of this conversion.

**Whenever there are conflicts in schedules, the implementation of EBS will take priority."**

**A project manager has been hired!** **Carolyn Masterson** started work on December 29th and is devoted full-time to managing this strategic priority project.

**We've met with Yardi!** In December, management and representatives from Tenant Selection, Affordable Housing and Maintenance, Community Revitalization, Finance and IT attended a 3-day onsite session with Yardi consultants. We provided Yardi with an overview of RRHA's business requirements and reporting needs. In return, the Yardi consultants provided an overview of how the data conversion, training and implementation will occur.

**Now the work begins!** On January 22nd, there was a meeting with project sponsors - John Hill, Stacey Fayson and Rodney Forte - and business area management and representatives to formally launch the EBS implementation project. In February we will begin configuring the Yardi system to meet RRHA's specific business needs. You may be called upon in the coming weeks and months to participate in this conversion effort. Stay tuned for updates.

## RRHA Home Stands Out as a “Parade of Homes” Winner

**E**fforts are underway for the construction of 188 single-family homes in the Blackwell community. RRHA contractor Hearthside Homes, LLC, completed the construction of the two models homes last summer. The homes are located on 16th and 17th Streets, and serve as the marketing and sales locations for two of the four phases of the HOPE VI initiative.

The model home located at 301 E. 16th Street was recently awarded the “Parade of Homes” Blue Ribbon Award for “Open Floor Plan,” which was presented by The Home Building Association of Richmond. “It’s an honor to be recognized for the effort we made in building a beautiful and desirable home,” says Dexter Goode, HOPE VI Project Manager. “We look forward to welcoming potential homebuyers and showcasing our model homes.”

RRHA is using an innovative construction approach, Systems Built Construction, for the development of these homes. Systems Built homes are developed in sections in a controlled indoor environment to the same building codes as site-built homes and delivered to the site up to 90 percent complete, for the setting and finish work. State-of-the-art pro-



*Systems Built home currently being constructed on Maury Street to advance RRHA’s public housing replacement efforts.*

cedures and equipment assure rigorous quality control and virtually eliminate wasted materials.

On-site completion time for most homes is generally 30 days versus three to four months for site built construction. The three-and four-bedroom homes are projected to sell in the range of \$165,000 and up, with down payment assistance being available for qualified applicants.

The next phase of construction in the Blackwell community will begin in the spring.

For more information, contact Dexter Goode, HOPE VI Project Manager at 780-4108. **IF**

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residents, the RRHA staff, business partners, the City of Richmond and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in providing quality, affordable housing and effective neighborhood revitalization and commercial redevelopment.” **IF**



*Parade of Homes Blue Ribbon Award winner for “Open Floor Plan” in the Blackwell Community.*



*During the November Board meeting, presentations were made to Brian K. Jackson (third from left) by RRHA Executive Director, Anthony Scott (on left); RRHA Board of Commissioner and Vice Chair Marilyn B. Olds; and Board Chairman Elliott Harrigan.*

RRHA  
SPOTLIGHT

on Staff Involvement  
in the Community

## Biking with a Purpose

“Being a good neighbor in community service is the rent we pay for being here.”

-Dr. Francis Foster, deceased  
Richmond icon & dentist

One is a father of five foster children whom he has adopted. One is a newlywed and a native of New York. One is an Iraq War veteran and father of three. What do they have in common? They all work for RRHA and they share a passion for motorcycles and giving back to the community.

Michael Winstead is a senior instrumentation and control systems technician by day and when with his Boyz II Men Motorcycle Club family he's known as Big Dogg II (Big Dogg I is his father), the club's sergeant-at-arms. Winstead, a 20-year retired army police officer and proud father of five enjoys riding his cruiser, a Suzuki I500. “I have such a feeling of freedom when I ride,” says Winstead. “I feel like I don't have a care in the world. I ride whenever I can...even on cold days. My heated gear keeps me warm.”

The Boys II Men Motorcycle Club was established in 1996 and it was created for people who want to support the community through service projects and who demonstrate a positive example and influence for young people, while enjoying the pleasures of motorcycle riding. The Boys II Men Motorcycle Club participates and organizes several charity rides and events each year including their Annual Christmas Party, which raises money for the Boys and Girls Club of Richmond. “The club's purpose is why I joined,” says Winstead. “Most still have a negative perception of bikers and I feel the work we do in the community helps to turn that perception into something positive.”



Winstead, Branch and Dickerson pose in front of Branch's motorcycle.

James Dickerson is the senior treasury analyst by day and when he's with his Brotherz N Armz Motorcycle Family, he's known as 40/40 (he wouldn't share the origin of his biker name), a charter member and the club's treasurer. Dickerson is an Iraq War veteran, army reservist and proud father of three who loves riding his 2005 Yamaha R1. When asked why the Yamaha, Dickerson responded, “I researched bike after bike and found that the Yamaha was one of the only with the exhaust pipes under the seat. I didn't want me or any of my passengers to burn themselves when getting on and off my bike.”

According to Dickerson, the Brotherz N Armz Motorcycle Club was founded March 2007 in Chesterfield. Nine of the 10 founding members are Iraq War veterans. The club's mission is to assist community and non-profit organizations by mentoring young people, particularly young people in Nottoway County (the majority of the club's membership hails from Nottoway.) The Brotherz N Armz Motorcycle Club supports the Tuskegee Airmen Motorcycle Club's “Ride for Child Savers,” continues to donate school supplies to area churches and sponsors a youth AAU basketball team in Eastern Henrico. Brotherz N Armz also makes an effort to support all the other local bike clubs when they have community service projects. “We wanted to do more than just get together to ride,” says Dickerson. “We decided to combine our love for motorcycling with our enthusiasm for giving back to our community.”

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Jacob Branch, a newlywed, is a maintenance specialist by day and when he's with the Richmond Ruff Ryders he's known as Jay Nice (no explanation needed, especially after you witness him burn-out a rear tire), the club's road captain. The road captain, or the biker group's navigator, is responsible for coordinating biker participation in rides and creating the "rides" route map. No biker is allowed to pass or ride beside the road captain for any reason.

Branch is fanatical about his Suzuki 1000 and loves riding it. "I'm what is referred to as a low-rider. I get a rush out of turning corners very low to the ground," says Branch. "Riding my bike and performing bike stunts gives me a rush and a feeling of calm all at once."

The Ruff Ryders Motorcycle Club is a national organization with chapters all over the world. The original chapter was started in New York in 1998 and gained a large music industry following with rappers such as Eve and music producers like Swizz Beats gaining membership to the club. Founded in 2007, The Richmond Ruff Ryders Motorcycle Club is very involved in the Richmond community, organizing food drives



*Winstead, Branch and Dickerson display their club jackets.*

especially around the holidays. "The holidays should be a good time for everyone," says Branch. That's why I enjoy helping to organize our annual Thanksgiving food donation. This year we donated meals to families in Richmond and Petersburg."

The thrill of motorcycle riding is a shared passion for Big Dogg II, 40/40 and Jay Nice, but supporting their communities is what ties our co-workers Mike, James and Jacob together. **LF**

## New Hires

### RRHA Welcomes New Employees to the Team!

As we build and revitalize Richmond, we at RRHA constantly strive to build and revitalize our team. We at RRHA know that the agency cannot accomplish its goals without a dedicated staff. We are excited to welcome new teammates:

- Shelia Beard, Office Support Specialist
- Rodtravus R. Brown, Maintenance Technician
- Clement L. Burnette, Mail Clerk/Messenger
- Travis C. Christian, Police Officer
- Monique Clarke, Information Specialist
- Tracey Hardney, Assistant Housing Manager
- Elaine R. Ingram, Supervisor – HCVP
- Kerry James, Contract & Administrative Associate
- Nia Johnson, Program Eligibility Technician
- CoSandra Jones, Office Support Specialist
- Stephen F. Mahoney, Police Officer
- Sunzraye Martin, Assisted Housing Specialist
- Carolyn M. Masterson, EBS Project Manager
- Felicia F. McLemore, Public Relations & Marketing Manager
- Kenny D. Mitchell, Police Officer
- Monica Ross, Housing Specialist
- David M. Samloff, Housing Inspector
- Fatimah K. Smothers, Senior Office Support Specialist
- Paul A. Warner, Police Officer
- Rochelle Wilkerson, Quality Assurance Compliance Officer

### We'd also like to congratulate these employees for their recent promotions!

- Kelly Evans to Senior Office Support Specialist
- Vonnie Farmer to Customer Service Specialist
- Bobbie D. Fields to Senior Housing Specialist
- Tammy L. Grubb to Supervisor - HCVP
- Ronald Hamiel to Senior Maintenance Specialist
- Carol A. Jones-Gilbert to Senior Property Manager
- Karen T. Key to Assistant Housing Manager
- Dorothy C. Morris to Buyer
- Grishma Rodrigues to Accountant
- George Woodson to Senior Maintenance Specialist

*(New hires and promotions - September - January 23, 2009)*

# The RRHA Team Celebrates the Year's Accomplishments

**O**n December 11th, the RRHA team celebrated 2008's accomplishments with a year-end celebration held at the Holiday Inn Boulevard. The theme was "We're choosing our attitude...an attitude of gratitude to all we know and serve." This event supported the theme because it was designed to say "thank you" to every employee who gives 100% as we serve our customers and help to revitalize the communities in Richmond. Ann Perkins, director of human resources and the employee holiday party committee chair along with the committee members planned a special event to remember – great food, music and prizes. Employees and their guests were able to mingle and enjoy the festivities of the night.

Congratulations RRHA employees on another successful year and thank you for making our Strategic Plan a reality! **IF**



## A Home for the Holidays

### RRHA Program Makes Dream Come True

**Y**ou can hear it in her voice and see it in her face...Thelma Brown is proud of her recent accomplishment. "It wasn't easy, but nothing worth having comes easy and everything I had to do to achieve homeownership was worth it," says Ms. Brown, single mother of two sons.

After four years as a participant in the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program, Ms. Brown successfully completed her commitment to the program. "Without this program and the help of the staff at RRHA, it would have been a longer road to homeownership," says Ms. Brown. "I've always had a goal of owning a home, but didn't know how I was going to achieve it. This program helped me to focus on what I needed to accomplish to reach my goal."

Ms. Brown closed on her Southside home in November and was not only able to witness its construction, but she was able to select options for just about every detail of the house – shutters, flooring, cabinets and light and water fixtures. "I wanted a nice home in a safe neighborhood for my sons and God answered my prayers," said Ms. Brown. "Everything I wanted in my home is now a reality...even my big, open kitchen."

The three-bedroom, two-level Colonial-style home is very spacious and is full of love as evident by the family photos all around the house. Although she and her children have only been in the home for a short time it has been carefully and beautifully decorated.

Ms. Brown is certainly no stranger to hard work, in addition to completing the intense requirements for the FSS program, Ms. Brown also completed her associate's degree in human services at J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College. She is now classified as a sophomore at Virginia Commonwealth University and is working to earn her bachelor's degree in social work while maintaining a full- and a part-time job.

"All of the credit goes to Ms. Brown...she was determined, diligent and focused on her goals," says Wanda Daniel, RRHA HomeCenter Coordinator. "I am very pleased and proud to have been of minor assistance in her major achievement."



*Ms. Brown smiles proudly in the kitchen of her new home.*

When asked what she thought about the FSS program, Ms. Brown couldn't contain her appreciation for the program and everyone who helped her successfully complete it. "If you qualify to be a part of this program, take advantage of this opportunity now," she says. "Completing this program has motivated me to do other things, and I am confident in myself to achieve anything."

The FSS Program was created by HUD to provide economic incentives for families to become employed and move toward independence and/or transition out of public and Housing Choice Voucher Program (formally Section 8) housing. Families enter a five-year contract of participation and set personal goals to achieve independence. Support is provided in securing training, education and in increasing participants' capabilities. A significant portion of rent increases that result from employment is escrowed into a personal savings or "set aside" account. At the end of the contract period, in order to receive the escrow savings participants must be employed and all adult members of the household must be welfare-free. Savings can be used for a car, homeownership, or education.

Residents of RRHA public housing or the Housing Choice Voucher Program housing who are heads of household are eligible to participate.

"On top of her work and college commitments, Ms. Brown remained involved in her children's academic and extracurricular activities while developing and adhering to a strict budget," says Demetriss Murray, Housing Choice Voucher/Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator. "She stayed focused and maintained the vision homeownership and was disciplined with working on the areas to improve her chances of obtaining that American dream." **IF**

# Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) Installed at all RRHA Locations



## RRHA AED Trained Onsite Responders

**E**ach year more than 95,000 adult Americans die from cardiovascular disease making it the #1 cause of death in the United States. Like fire extinguishers, Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) in public places is becoming an expected standard. Documented increase in survival rates at places with AED programs has raised public awareness about the importance of AEDs and the need for onsite accessibility.


RRHA Executive Director, Anthony Scott, expressed an interest in installing AED units in all RRHA sites. After conducting research, the Risk/Procurement Division is proud to announce that the AED units have been installed in all RRHA locations by the company, Life Savers, Inc.

An RRHA policy has been written and approved by the Executive Director. Forty-five (45) employees (listed at right) have been trained on the RRHA Policy and in CPR/ First-Aid and AED usage. There are at least two on-site responders with 2-year certification for each RRHA site.

*AED Equipment at the 901 Chamberlayne Parkway Building. The equipment is located on the hallway leading to the Technology, Planning and Research Suite.*

By implementing an AED program here at RRHA we have made the commitment to saving lives and creating a safer work environment.

In February another AED training class will be held for 10 additional employees to receive certification.

**For more information**, please contact **Deborah Hamlin** at [dahamlin@rrha.state.va.us](mailto:dahamlin@rrha.state.va.us) or at x4294. 

### 1209 Admiral St.

Dorothy Morris  
Donald Mullins  
Kerry James  
Lynwood Gray  
Yolanda Jones  
April Hunt  
Audrey Christian

### 901 Chamberlayne Pkwy

James Dickerson  
Paula Saje  
Darlene Giles  
Maya Eakins

### 918 Chamberlayne Pkwy

Demmie Murray  
Calandra Brown

### 436 Calhoun St.

Ralph Stuckey  
Geraldine Evans  
Joan Seldon  
Harold Sayles

### 2506 Phaup St.

**Fairfield**  
Tarmecia Clack  
April Hurt

### 2302 Carmine St.

**Whitcomb**  
James Fortune

### 1202 North 1st Street

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Johnnie Murphy  
Valerie Heartley  
Patrice Banks-Lewis  
Dean Powell

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**Hillside**  
Barbara Tisdale  
Melvin Mines

### Melvin C. Fox Manor

Cleveland Washington

### 1812 Brook Rd.

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Mike Hammonds

### 200 Hospital St.

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Aisha Hunter  
Angelique Gurley

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Luis Crespo

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Thomas Perkins

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Joakima Fisher  
Michael Robinson

### 700 South Lombardy

Randy Harper  
George Woodson

### 1920 Stonewall

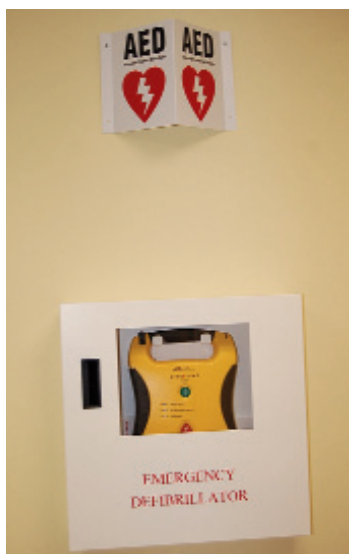
Cleveland Washington

### 1200 Decatur Street

Cleveland Washington

### 3900 Old Brook Circle

Delores Hill  
Kevin Lewis



*James Dickerson, Senior Treasury Analyst (L) and George Woodson, Senior Maintenance Specialist practice the proper use of the AED Units.*

# RRHA Employees Show Support for the United Way and YSFAA

Thank you one and all for supporting our 2009 United Way/ Youth Sports and Fine Arts Academy fundraising campaign!

**As a result of your generosity, RRHA raised \$29,359.68!!** \$13,075.14 was pledged in support of United Way and \$16,284.54 was pledged to support the Youth Sports and Fine Arts Academy.

Congratulations to our **GRAND PRIZE WINNERS!!**

- **Tammy Grubb** – winner of the Wii System
- **Kevin Myers** – winner of the Compaq Computer
- **Kristin Dunstan** – winner of the Norton Internet Security
- **Leroy Law** – winner of the Wireless G Router

Thanks to Doris Jackson-Crocker, RRHA/United Way chairperson, the RRHA leadership team and volunteers for making RRHA's contribution to the United Way and the Youth Sports and Fine Arts Academy possible.



## 2008 Leadership Givers and Volunteers Recognized at "Thank You Breakfast" Program

**Back row (l to r):** Mike Shannon, Calandra Brown, Ann Perkins, Leslie Cohoon, Ted Woods, Joan Seldon, Pat Barner-Lewis, Anthony Scott, Shirley Gilliam

**Seated, front row (l to r):** Doris Jackson-Crocker, Marie Woolridge, Stacey Fayson, Darlene Giles

## 2008 United Way/ YSSAA Campaign Leadership Givers & Volunteers

### LEADERSHIP GIVERS

- First time Leadership giver\*
- YSFAA only \*\*
- UW/YSFAA Campaign\*\*\*
- UW only (UW) &/or Pledge UW Recognition

1. Patricia Barner-Lewis (UW)
2. Commissioner Guenet M. M. Beshah\*\*\*
3. Calandra Brown \*/\*\*
4. Maxine Cholmondeley \*/\*\*
5. Leslie Cohoon \*/\*\*
6. Valena Dixon\*\*\* (UW)
7. Stacey Fayson \*(UW)
8. Rodney Forte \*\*
9. Darlene B. Giles\*\*
10. Shirley V. Gilliam (UW)
11. Hal Hazelton \*\*
12. Daniel A. Hutchinson\*\*\*
13. Doris Jackson-Crocker \*\*\* (UW)
14. George Johnson \*\*
15. Karen Jones \*/\*\*\*
16. Marie Jones-Woolridge\*\*\*
17. Commissioner Cindy Mims \*\*
18. Ann Perkins\*\*\* (UW)
19. Theodore Woods \*/\*\*\*
20. Anthony Scott\*\*
21. Joan Seldon\*\*\*
22. Michael Shannon (UW)
23. Wallace Wilkins \*\*
24. Michael Winstead\*/\*\*

### VOLUNTEERS

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|----------------------|----------------|
| Denise Boisseau      | Lisa Lawrence  |
| Leondra Brown Turner | Bonita Ross    |
| Jerry Crews          | Paula Saje     |
| James Dickerson      | Ofelia Solomon |
| Maya Eakins          | Karen Thornton |
| Tammy Grubb          | Tarea Tillman  |
| Theresa Henley       | Corliss Tyler  |
| Eunice Jones         | Rakhil Vovchuk |
| Elaine Key           |                |

## RRHA Maintenance Gets New Equipment

**W**ork in the RRHA maintenance department is more efficient and effective now thanks to the new equipment that is being used by the staff. Last August several members of the maintenance team completed intense training on the use and safety features of the new equipment, which includes a leaf vacuum, back hoe, aerial lift and an aerial lift truck.

“This new equipment represents a nearly \$125,000 investment in our maintenance operations,” says Bill Perkins, manager of maintenance and operations. “It’s a sensible investment considering the hundreds of thousands of outside contractor dollars we’ll save by being able to perform many of our own maintenance tasks, like changing neighborhood pole lights and repairing all of our water and sewer lines.”

Kevin Meyers, RRHA construction rehab specialist, echoes Mr. Perkins’ enthusiasm about the new equipment. “We are very excited about having this new equipment because we are now able to perform a wider variety of maintenance and modernization tasks, while providing better customer service to our residents.”

### Maintenance staff and trainers during this summer’s equipment training session.

#### Left to right standing:

*Nunu Vaughan, Maintenance Specialist  
Mike Winstead, Instrumentation & Control Technician  
Equipment Training Instructor  
Equipment Training Instructor  
James Brown, Senior HVAC Mechanic  
Bobby Jenkins, Instrumentation & Control Systems Supervisor  
Boris Guberman, HVAC Mechanic*

#### Left to right kneeling:

*Eric Valle, Specialty Crew Supervisor  
Leon Pleasants, Lead Foreman*



## RRHA Welcomes New Police Officers

Officer Kenny Mitchell, pictured left and Officer Travis Christian became RRHA’s Police Department’s newest officers when they were sworn in last October.

Officers Mitchell and Christian join a department staffed with highly trained, experienced officers who enforce crime prevention and community education efforts for all of RRHA’s communities.

Our Police Department is dedicated solely to promoting safety in public housing communities and working closely with residents and the Richmond City Police in preventing crime. **IF**



Officers Mitchell (left) and Christian are sworn into duty at the City Clerk’s Office.



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