

Awards/Recognitions Ceremony Docket

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Richmond City Council recognizes/celebrates the following:

1 **Richmond Social Work Month** (Council/Mayor)

Richmond City Council celebrates the work of Richmond Social Workers and previously created and established the month of March as Richmond Social Work Month.

Social Work is a professional field and academic discipline that endeavors to help improve the quality of life for people, especially those experiencing distress, through the delivery of positively impactful programs and services.

Social workers in Richmond serve in schools, hospitals, mental health clinics, senior centers, elected offices, veteran centers, government agencies, community organizations, and countless other institutions helping individuals, families, and communities thrive.

Social Work and the delivery of Social Service programs is a very involved, challenging, and demanding undertaking that can be overwhelming and emotionally draining and Social Work/Service professionals tirelessly work to help make the lives and outcomes of our communities the best they can be.

The Richmond Department of Social Services provides for the delivery of numerous Social Work programs and services on behalf of Richmond residents and its operations include the Division of Children, Families and Adults, which works on ensuring families and children are safe and secure in their own homes, in foster homes and throughout the community; the Office of Children's Services Act, which helps provide child-focused services on behalf of troubled and at-risk youth; and, the Division of Economic Support and Independence, which provides residents in need with tools and opportunities that promote economic stability.

Richmond is proud to celebrate and recognize dedicated social workers throughout our city, including the staff, volunteers, and supporters of Richmond Department of Social Services for their ongoing work in helping to make our city an even better place to live, love, work, learn, play, visit, and enjoy family.

Guests in attendance

Richmond Department of Social Services
Richmond Department of Social Services Advisory Board
Virginia Commonwealth University School of Social Work