

Monday September 9, 2019

Dear City Council, *Kim Gray*

The Bongo drum project has led me to solutions for inner-city poor people.

I am a volunteer with the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Children are the highest art.

My aim is to reduce jail population and get people off welfare for a more productive future here in Richmond Virginia. Increase tourism.

I personally went into the hood or project housing to get the information I will share with you.

1 a summer school swim team is necessary for discipline and character building. No one in the inner city should not learn to swim and as a sport we will have children who excel and perhaps get scholarships The project will begin next summer 2020 with the school bus pickup at 8:30 to start swimming at 9am. The children swim until 11am. The bus takes them home. We have 7 city pools. Swim meets are on Thursday nights families participation will be community building. Gilpin gators. Altria and Coca-Cola are sponsors. Jammers swim suits and goggles donated.

A trade school with sliding scale fee. Free bus passes for students. A connection to community college. I went to Gates foundation personally. So many people having children on welfare when they could work is causing the disabled to not have living quarters. Homeless mentally ill need housing. Welding, RN nurse program, electrician, plumbers etc.

The area of broad street where the CLAY building is can be restored.

*Free BUS pass for EBT children
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