

Bay Front. Home Front. Out Front.

Dear Community Supporter,

As you know, the COVID-19 pandemic has not only caused unprecedented impacts to public health, but it has also led to historic levels of financial and resource instability for countless families, including many here in Richmond, who are struggling more than ever to make ends meet.

With Richmond's most vulnerable residents in mind, I am proud to support the Richmond Rapid Response Fund to help families in our community by providing direct financial support, providing food and essential supplies, helping secure and stabilize housing and shelter, providing resources for small businesses and nonprofits, and more.

To lend my support for Richmond residents in need, I have contributed \$25,000 from the Mayor's Community Fund to the Richmond Rapid Response Fund, and I am issuing a call to action for foundations, companies, and the community to match my donation.

Since World War II when Richmond's "We Can Do It!" spirit led to one of the world's most legendary community efforts, our city has proven time and again that great things happen when we band together. Though this is a different type of global conflict, the "We Can Do It!" spirit remains the same, and we can prove once more that the only way to get through a crisis like this is by supporting one another. I hope you join me in donating to the Richmond Rapid Response Fund and doing what you can to support those in our community who are in the greatest need.

Thank you for your consideration and thank you to the many community and city leaders for their work to provide grassroots level support for Richmond residents.

Sincerely,

Mayor Tom Butt City of Richmond