

- - Violence in city claims 47 in '07

Comments

As the murders in Richmond increase the Mayor has her staff exploring ways to ban styrofoam. Gayle, right now there is not one other problem in Richmond. Styrofoam means nothing, pretending there is a need for a ferry just to get funds for a Marina Bay grade seperation is a waste of time and what the hell are toothless resolutions on Iraq going to accomplish? Step aside, Mayor, call in the feds and hand them the keys. You have proven yourself to be unresponsive to Richmond's real needs

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 8:47 AM
- 12703.1 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 5.00, 5 votes

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- Posted by: Don't Be Fooled
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- 12/29/2007 9:22 AM
- 12703.2 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 5.00, 3 votes

Congratulations DeVone Boggan Richmond Neighborhood Safety Director! There have been 27 murders since you were hired in October and the citizens only had to pay you and your joke staff a meager \$612,00.00 Keep up the good work.

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 10:25 AM
- 12703.3 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

Let's face it; Richmond is a lost cause (for now). It is time to address some of the underlying issues behind Richmond's demise. All stores in Richmond should be required to give away condoms. The store would/could then amortize the cost of the give-aways across other products. Males who aren't contributing toward their children's upkeep should be drafted into the army (or public works project) and required to serve a minimum of 7 years or until their children are 18 years old. Hopeless, female breeders that end up in "projects" and remain on welfare should be required to live in kibbutz-like communities where the cost of taking care of them and their children would be mitigated thru bulk purchases. Richmond's churches should be required to tithe toward the government's welfare programs; measureable "good works," on behalf of the community, could function as "match," lessening the cash "tithe."

Let's see who yells the loudest, males, females, or church-people in general. I'll accept all criticism provided it is coupled with better, but achievable, ideas and solutions. Bring it on!

- Posted by: North Richmond Ron
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- 12/29/2007 10:40 AM
- 12703.4 [Report as Violation](#)

Avg 4.50, 2 votes

Where is the police chief or his deputy chiefs. The crime problems in richmond should be handled by the crime experts, the police. Obviously the police chiefs new highly praised community policing plan works great, people sure have confidence in the police, they settle disputes with violence. All of our problems began when we hired him, 87 dead people ago!!!!!!!!!!!! now he can't be found. Did someone say cameras or fargo.

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 6:59 PM
- 12703.5 [Report as Violation](#)

Avg 5.00, 1 vote

Enough of the negative and sarcastic criticism of the violence that seems to plague Richmond, these thoughtless and mindless comments are not helping us resolve the violence issues we face in this city. What it really shows is how ignorant and insensitive some of you are, just like the individuals who commit these foolish and senseless acts of violence. I have to agree with the individual who wrote the comment and signed it don't be fooled. It is time that the citizens of Richmond began to hold the Mayor, Council members and the City Manager accountable for the lack of leadership in the city's fight against crime. The chief of Police also lack in his ability to lead his department which is our first line of defense in getting a handle on the violence in this city. Come on folks lets get real I'm not saying any of this to take pot shots at the Chief, Mayor, the City Manager or any of the Council members because regardless how I may feel about any of them on a personal level I am bound by the Spirit and Laws of my Lord in Savior Jesus Christ, to respect the position of authority they each hold.

As I have said before God, will use the foolish things of this world to confuse the wise and we have a lot of highly paid wise individuals running this city who don't have a clue as to how we are going to get a handle on the violence in this city. You can not solve common sense problems with wise men thoughts it just isn't gonna work folks. Think about it people, seriously, how effective do you really think our Police Chief can be when he is in boiled in a departmental legal battle with half of his command staff. From my perspective it wouldn't matter what racial group your command staff was made up of if you don't have their backing or at least their cooperation your ability to be an effective leader is ZERO.... and I say this because I have a military back ground I'm a Vietnam Veteran and I remember my base commander once saying to our squadron he is only as good as the soldiers he leads. When you don't have effective leadership you compromise the ability of the entire squad and the only one who really suffer are the very ones you are charged with helping. Just look around the city it shows.

I recall when Mayor Anderson, was in office week after week folks would stand there at the council chamber podium and tell her to lead, follow or get our out the way. They were fed up with all of the senseless homicides in Richmond and demanded the city council take action humm... well I'm trying hard to figure out what has changed since her departure from office. Where are all these folks now?? where is the city council state of URGENCY?? When she was in office there were those on the council who even wanted to declare Richmond a State of Emergence the homicide count this year has way passed the count when she held office and yet I hear of no talk about declaring a State of Emergency hummm... wonder why is this??? or why anyone isn't telling this Mayor, to lead, follow or get out of the way...I don't get it. Wake up Richmond take off the blinder and see what's really real here.

The creation of the Office of Neighborhood Safety is a step in the right direction and a practical long term solution. However to my knowledge there is no mechanism in place at this time for permanent funding of this department from within the city's budget and eventually this department his going to have to seek some

funding from outside sources to stay afloat. Yet, our city council and manger allows police overtime to exceed 350,000 per month and then they let the Chief bring back a retired officer put this officer on contract with a monthly salary, I hear is about 12,000 and for what??? When homicides are at an all time high shooting and other violent crime are up just as well what justification can our city council and city manager give for spending this amount of money on public safety and yet we are getting nothing in return. Nothing folks!!! and I Mean Nothing. I hear it far too often folks saying they are afraid to come outside or they won't go to a certain part of town for fear of getting killed or robbed. But the city is spending an extra 350,000 plus dollars a month for the public's safety yet none of the people I talk with on a daily basis feel any safer. Somebody needs to be held accountable for this and it should start at the council level right down to our city manager office. When I think about this kind of money being spent just for overtime and retired officers compensation with no real reduction in crime and all the other crime prevention programs that is either under funded or not funded at all and no doubt would probably due more to reduce crime in this city than the officers overtime pay, really angers me and it should the rest of Richmond's residents. Come on folks lets wake up...this is, far as I'm concern gross mismanagement of our tax dollars and the citizen of this city needs to take a stand against this kind of fiscal mismanagement and let our voices be heard at city hall that we are tired as hell of kind of waste and that we are not taking nonsense anymore.

I believe what its going to take to turn this city around is some strong grass root is organizing to get rid of those who are on the city council now and put some God Fearing Common Sense Folks on the city council. The person who serves as the Mayor should have a lot more authority then what is currently given the Mayor, position. Our Mayor too should have the power call for the resignation of any all of the city's department heads when the direction of this city is as messed up and corrupt as it is now and the compensation for this position should be as comparable to other position within the city departments.

Again this not meant to be a personal attack on any one of our city leader except for the evil one that lurks within for those who can accept understand this give him all praises and Glory and let us standing together in unity and peace. For those who don't his word says let the dead in him bury their own.

Cp of Richmond

- Posted by: cp of Richmond
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- 12/29/2007 7:19 PM
- 12703.6 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.00, 2 votes

Is the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and the City Council going to host ANOTHER party to celebrate Chief Magnus? Or are they going to wait until the body count for the year hits 50?

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 7:24 PM
- 12703.7 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

I would sit back too if I were Mayor or Police Cheif. Why should they do anything? If your little angels were pulled over you will pull the race card and sue. They are playing this out exactly right. CLEAN UP YOUR OWN MESS!!!!. I heard a poster say that "there is nothing wrong with RAP. These people are telling a story." Are you kidding me? They are talking about slinging dope, pimpin hoes (and you like being called that) killing, my block, gold grilles, and whatever other crap they can get a positive respose from you idiots. So you played the race card so much that now its all out of control and you dont like it. What about the last 3 BLACK Cheifs and Mayors? Magnus got this \$hithole from them. If you want to blame- look in the mirror. The sad part in all of this is the real innocent people who are dying. Of the 47 you will get 8 who are innocent. You played the game now finish it!!

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 9:36 PM
- 12703.8 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.00, 1 vote

To the poster who claimed the last three police chiefs were black, you're flat out WRONG! The police dept has had ONE black police chief, and one black interim police chief. The crime rate under the one black police chief was half, that's right half of the current crime rate. Chris Minus has expended more resources than any of his predecessors, while achieving fewer results. The violence is the highest it's been since the crack epidemic of the early 90's and you're still playing the race card. Chris Minus didn't inherit a dysfunctional organization, he CREATED a dysfunctional organization through poor leadership, mismanagement, and racist behavior.

- Posted by:
Don't Be
Fooled
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- 12/30/2007 12:12 AM
- 12703.9 Avg 5.00, 1 vote
- [Report as Violation](#)

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- Posted by: Dan
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- 12/30/2007 12:36 AM
- 12703.10 No rating
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Declare martial law in Richmond. Bring in armed soldiers to patrol the streets, set up road block checkpoints, enforce a curfew, enclose the Iron Triangle with barbed wire and klieg lights to keep the

violent and marauding element of lawless citizens penned up and under constant surveillance, essentially a concentration camp. Sound crazy? Un-American? Perhaps, but what is the alternative when you have the Richmond police department acting so useless and incompetent? They're incapable of stopping the present level of violence because its grown beyond their capacity to handle. Bring in Federal troops now and sweep Richmond clean of these savages.

- Posted by: Fed Up
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- 12/29/2007 7:03 AM
- 12701.1 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 4.16, 6 votes

Richmond, California is turning into Iraq.Im glad I moved out of that hell hole. No way possible to have a family and raise children there. None at all.

- Posted by: Muhammad Akbib
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- 12/29/2007 8:14 AM
- 12701.2 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 5.00, 2 votes

It will never change..... deal with it

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 8:45 AM
- 12701.3 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 2.33, 3 votes

You are right about the Richmond police being unable to keep law and order in Richmond. Wonder why? Go into a Richmond public school classroom some time and see the level of cooperation and respect the teachers get there. That's right: none. The whole 5 to 25 year old population is totally off the leash. They have never been subjected to any form of discipline at all. Not at home; not at school. Why? No fathers at home, of course.

It takes something more fundamental than a village to raise a child into a decent citizen. It takes a complete, fully functional nuclear family. Time to start talking about whether reproduction really is a fundamental right when society is forced to bear the high cost of haphazard child bearing.

Time to put every woman on Norplant until they can prove a stable relation with a man and the financial ability to nurture a child to adulthood. Parents need to be bonded!!

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 8:52 AM
- 12701.4 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 4.33, 6 votes

Sounds like they ran afoul of a protection racket.

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 9:07 AM Avg 5.00, 1 vote

- 12701.5 [Report as Violation](#)

Like I always say, city of pride and purpose.

- Posted by: RJ
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- 12/29/2007 9:22 AM
- 12701.6 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

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- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 9:24 AM
- 12701.7 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.57, 7 votes

Yeah, probably that's why they were selling the restaurant: NSF cash. Hope the next owners has better luck keeping up with their "payments."

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 9:51 AM
- 12701.8 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

I'm so sorry to hear of this tragic, things are just getting out of control in Richmond. A state of emergency should be called, this is so sad.

- Posted by:
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- 12/29/2007 9:54 AM
- 12701.9 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

I agree, declare martial law. More effective than a bunch of recovering, broke down, store front preachers singing gospel tunes around their delapidated Tent City and praying for peace. How pathetic. Call in the 82nd Airborne and lift their rules of engagement.

- Posted by: Tired
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- 12/29/2007 10:38 AM
- 12701.10 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 5.00, 2 votes

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- Richmond police increase patrols after two weekend homicides

Comments

maybe if the richmond police would actually get off their butt's and actually do some work once in a while there wouldn't be as many homicides.

- Posted by: hov
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- 12/24/2007 8:52 AM
- 12487.1 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

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" Callers also can use the department's anonymous tip line at 510-232-TIPS (8477)."

I've got a tip. Richmond PD, wake up!!!

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 4:46 PM
- 12682.1 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.00, 2 votes

Sure wish the people in the community would 'man up' & tell the polce the bad guys that do this s--t. And get judges who will put these people on death row or juries that have the b--ls to do it too.

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 4:56 PM
- 12682.2 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

Its a shame that right away people start putting the blame on the Police dept. I think that anyway with a right mind can see that the PD is under staffed and over worked.

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 4:56 PM
- 12682.3 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.00, 2 votes

I would be happy to be on a jury to convict the punks who are doing these murders. I can show just as much respect for their lives (which have apparently contributed NOTHING to the greater society as a whole) as they have shown for hardworking folks trying to earn a living. Just because YOU don't have a life doesn't mean you get to TAKE someone else's.

- Posted by: FedUp
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- 12/28/2007 5:13 PM
- 12682.4 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 5.00, 1 vote

Maybe it's time for Richmond law enforcement to study the tactics of the US Army in Baghdad. The situation in Richmond is basically the same Bellum omnium contra omnes.

- Posted by: Greg
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- 12/28/2007 5:19 PM
- 12682.5 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 3.66, 3 votes

Stop with the latin already. Most people in Richmond are having trouble with ebonics.

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 6:01 PM
- 12682.6 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 4.00, 2 votes

People don't man up because they are usually required to testify in court. Then the suspects families and friends threaten the witness, who then has to return to that same neighborhood. Witness protection doesn't work anymore with the advent of cell phones. It is a small world, one quick phone call and the witnesses life is over. The witness protection program has been relocating people to Atlanta Georgia, do you know how many people go there? I lived in Richmond and would have liked to help, but I couldn't risk my family.

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 6:21 PM
- 12682.7 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

Wyoming had 9 murders last year with a population of 500,000. Richmond's had 47 with a population of 102,000. Richmonds murder rate was 46 per 100,000. Wyoming's rate was 1.8 per 100,000. I think those rednecks are much better behaved than the people in Richmond. I'd blame the local leaders all the way up to

the U.S. Senate for all this crime. There's been too much pandering to the criminal class.

- Posted by: A different Greg
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- 12/28/2007 7:30 PM
- 12682.8 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

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As for concealed weapon permits out here, FORGET IT! I just went through the process a couple weeks ago and was DENIED even though I've never been in trouble with the law. We have Black & Hispanic thugs walking around arming themselves looking to rob somebody but law abiding citizens like myself have to walk around UNARMED. How fair is that? Think about that next time you go to the voting polls.

- Posted by: Dan
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- 12/28/2007 8:32 PM
- 12682.9 [Report as Violation](#) Avg 4.00, 1 vote

Careful, Different Greg. You are not permitted to discuss the color of crime in a quantitative way on these forum pages. That is because most if not all serious statistical studies have been declared racist by the corrupt Southern Poverty Law Center. Making it difficult to introduce anything factual into a moderated public discussion.

But, you don't really need an academic study to tell you who's committing the violence in your neighborhood. Just peruse the police log in your local paper for a few weeks, and you'll get the idea.

- Posted by:
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- 12/28/2007 8:54 PM
- 12682.10 [Report as Violation](#) No rating

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