

# RICHMOND FOOD CHARTER

*Food security exists when all members of our community, at all times, have access to nutritious, safe, personally acceptable and culturally appropriate foods, produced in ways that are environmentally sound and socially just.*

## Community Values

## Community Commitment

Food is a basic human need and right

### Social Justice

Work continually to improve access to food for all

Safe and nutritious foods are essential for good health

### Health & Wellbeing

Ensure our food supply is safe and healthy

Farming and food are important parts of Richmond's culture

### Culture

Celebrate our diversity by supporting and sharing food traditions

Food-related education contributes to community wellbeing

### Education

Provide education and support for food skills training, including gardening, healthy cooking, and safe food handling

Ecologically sound practices are the basis of a sustainable food system

### Healthy Environment

Preserve and strengthen land and water resources that support food production. Promote food industry practices that reduce environmental impacts and greenhouse gas emissions

Local farms and food processors strengthen Richmond's economy

### Economic Development

Foster a culture that values and supports farmers and farm workers

Policies and regulations strengthen community food security

### Responsible Government

Collaborate with community groups, businesses, & all levels of governments to ensure a food secure future

