Community Resources mentioned in the RPN Quarterly Meeting

**Center for Workforce Innovation:** Connects residents to local employers and provides training and support to allow participants to obtain and sustain employment in well-paying, sustainable occupations. The Center will also provide wrap-around support services to a targeted number of participants who are heads of household, to identify and overcome barriers to success and address the comprehensive needs of participating households.

**Challenge Discovery Projects:**
- Say it With Heart places trained instructors in Richmond Schools where they teach nonviolent interpersonal skills and addresses issues of bullying during a weekly one-hour lesson.
- Virginia Health Center (VHC) serves adolescents ages 10-19, who face co-occurring, substance abuse and emotional health issues

**ChildSavers:** Guidance clinic is an outpatient mental health service for children and families; Trauma response provides 24/7 immediate response services within the City of Richmond for children exposed to violence and other traumatic events

**Communities in Schools:** Works within the public school system, determining student needs and establishing relationships with local businesses, social service agencies, health care providers and parent and volunteer organizations to provide needed resources.

**Daily Planet:** Provides medical, dental, behavioral health, eye care, case management, health education, HIV testing, and counseling, and referrals for other treatment. Behavioral Health Clinic offers assessment and evaluations for treatment, counseling and therapy.

**Family Lifeline:** A home visiting program seeking to enhance family functioning through intensive case management with Community Health Nurse, Outreach Worker, and Mental Health Clinicians, providing support, access to healthcare and medical services, as well as mental health assessment. They conduct healthy relationship assessments to screen for issues related to intimate partner violence upon intake.

**Greater Richmond Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN):** A child advocacy center that offers child forensic interviews, mental health treatment, referrals to medical services, multidisciplinary case reviews, and case management and tracking.
- Family Support Program: Provides treatment groups and education groups each week for families who have experienced, or are at risk of experiencing, child abuse or neglect. In an 18-week session design, parents and children break out for specific curricula and then come back together. The program enhances parenting skills, builds social networks, increases knowledge of child development, and makes parents aware of community resources.
- Trauma Informed Community Network: helps organizations and professionals around the region who work with children to better understand and apply the latest research and best practices in trauma-informed care. Provides free training and technical assistance to organizations who want to adopt a trauma informed approach.

**Home Again:** assists homeless families and individuals in metro Richmond by providing emergency and transitional shelter as well as programs designed to build skills leading to increased self-sufficiency and to identify resources needed to obtain and maintain permanent housing.
**Housing advocate**: Housed within the Community Health Resource Centers, Housing Advocates can serve as an additional point of information and resources. This person would help residents understand the intricacies of the lease. And, this navigator will understand the referral networks available.

**Informed Neighbors Corps**: A group of 16 Creighton Court residents, assembled with help from Engaging Richmond and Richmond Promise Neighborhood, which aims to foster transparency and clear communication during the redevelopment of Creighton Court. These engaged community leaders in Creighton Court could be hubs of contact on existing programs and resources.

**Richmond Behavioral Health Authority**: Offers case management for individuals with intellectual disabilities and substance use disorders, as well as school-based interventions (such as outpatient counseling, crisis intervention, and therapeutic day services) and mental health services for children and adults.

**Richmond City Health Department Resource Centers**: Partnership with the Richmond City Health Department and Richmond Redevelopment & Housing Authority to deliver health screenings, checkups, health education, nutrition, parenting classes, budget management community resource information to an underserved community

**Richmond Family and Fatherhood Initiative**: A city wide collaborative effort to create a community culture connecting fathers to their families, using the following areas of focus:

- **Seventh District Health and Wellness Initiative**: Seeks to connect each East End resident to a medical home and reduce obesity through nutrition education and physical activity opportunities

- **Strengthening Families Program**: This program is led by RBHA and piloted at MLK, Jr. Middle School. Once per week, for 2.5 hours, the family learns about nutrition, parents learn basic parenting skills, and youth learn about peer pressure. The program is targeted for 10-14 year olds.

- **Virginia Home for Boys and Girls**: Offers intensive, one-on-one in-home counseling for children, with 24-hour consultation and support.
- Intensive Care Coordination: delivered using the High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW) method to assist in keeping children in or returning them to a permanent family environment in the community. This program creates a family guided, future oriented plan of care. Families in need of these services can self-refer.

- **Virginia Supportive Housing**: Provides permanent housing to the chronically homeless population of Virginia through fifteen affordable housing communities. Also provides counseling, skills training and case management.
- “A Place to Start”: a regional program that serves individuals experiencing chronic homelessness and serious mental illness. APTS immediately houses these individuals, providing initial stability, which then allows the individuals to engage in services. The Intensive Community Treatment (ICT) team is comprised of an administrative assistant, a licensed clinician(s), case manager(s), a nurse, a peer counselor, and a part-time psychiatrist. They have partnered with the Daily Planet. They have provided long-term housing for about 100 people.