



Solano County African Family Reunion Celebration Committee

COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT 2025



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VALLEJO JUNETEENTH

Parade & Festival

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025

11AM - 5PM

Remember. Create. Act!

PARADE 9AM

TENNESSEE STREET & SONOMA BLVD

FESTIVAL 11AM

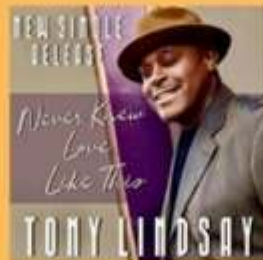
BARBARA KONDYLIS WATERFRONT GREEN, 301 MARE ISLAND WAY

Live entertainment, food & merch vendors, health & wellness, job training and employment opportunities, homeownership, financial planning, child & family services, kids activities, face painting & more!

COMMUNITY SERVICE & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Oakland Rising



11-time Grammy award winner & former lead vocalist for Santana!

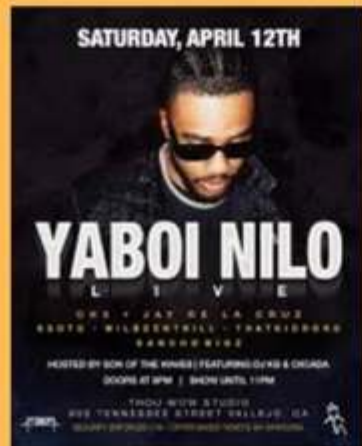


The Soul Soldiers

LORI D. WILSON
Assemblywoman, District 11



HANDS ON FIRE



Parade applications available at www.vallejojunteenth.com
No entry fee. Parade entry deadline June 2, 2025
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HISTORY & PURPOSE

The Solano County African American Family Celebration Committee, a 501c3 nonprofit formed in 1989, has organized Vallejo's annual Juneteenth Festival through a group of volunteers known under the name African American Family Reunion Committee (AAFRC) for over three decades. The community event promotes cultural awareness and appreciation for the historical significance of the national federal holiday also known officially as Juneteenth National Independence Day. As one of the city's largest annual community events, the family friendly environment targets a diverse audience that can benefit from opportunities and resources that serve and improve the lives of residents who have limited access to local services and programs.



I support the Juneteenth event because it is a great community event. Each year the Juneteenth organizers are well prepared and treat the vendors with kindness. The attendees support the vendors and it makes for a wonderful, engaging, and educational day for all.

Rosemary Louissant, Rose's Baked Goods

Awareness, access, and opportunity are significant impactors in the livability, viability, and vibrancy of a community and its residents. Many people are not living their best lives because they are not aware of or cannot reach resources, services and programs that are available to help them improve their lives. The Juneteenth event provides a significant community benefit by attracting thousands of visitors and providing opportunities to connect with resource providers and participants whose mission is a commitment to lower or eliminate barriers to healthy, productive futures for individuals and families who could not otherwise overcome them. Visitors can learn how to live better through health information and screenings; plan a path toward a higher education and college degree or skilled certification; receive career guidance, obtain employment training; prepare for homeownership; and learn how to build generational wealth. The festival supports small business owners and entrepreneurs who participate as vendors and exhibitors, which ultimately contributes to economic enrichment for the entire community. The Vallejo Juneteenth Festival is one of the city's top five annual community celebrations.

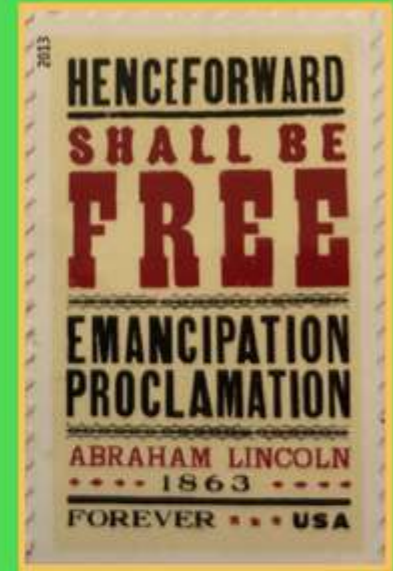


BY THE NUMBERS



2,760
Visitors

The 36th Annual Vallejo Juneteenth Parade & Festival saw a **40 percent** increase in attendance over our 2024 event. *Source: Placer AI / City of Vallejo*



100
Vendors &
Exhibitors

Vallejo Juneteenth Parade & Festival attracted over 100 vendors and exhibitors selling merchandise and sharing information about a wide variety of resources, services, products and programs.

19
Parade
Entries

Our 3rd annual parade through downtown Vallejo continues to grow and attract more participants as marchers, vehicles, clubs, classic cars, floats and community spectators.





HIGHLIGHTS

The Juneteenth Committee received a proclamation from the Vallejo City Council declaring the week of June 17, 2025, as “Juneteenth Week” in the City of Vallejo.



On June 2, 2025, community members were on hand for the raising of the Juneteenth flag. In June 2021, with unanimous approval, the City Council was the first city in Solano County to officially display the flag in observance of the federal holiday.



At the Juneteenth event, the committee presented Certificates of Appreciation to a few of our exhibitors who have consistently supported the event over the past 10 years: The Sayles Group, Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum, Community Development Corporation of North Richmond, Omegas Reservoir of Hope Foundation and Emmanuel Temple Apostolic Church.



The Vallejo Juneteenth event was named as a 2025 Finalist in the Vallejo Sun Best of Vallejo & Benicia Best Annual Outdoor Event and Best Festival categories.





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Alumnae Chapter
Solano County Chapter of the Links, Inc.
JP Morgan Chase
Orange Theory
San Francisco Bay Ferry
Partnership HealthPlan of California
Vallejo Education Association

VOLUNTEERS

Rayvon Williamson
Wotha Dabora
Omega Gents

Gwendolyn White and volunteer Pamela
Jennings serve breakfast at the Committee's
Pancake Breakfast fundraiser in partnership
with Apple's Bar and Grill in Vallejo.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

City of Vallejo
Lori D. Wilson, Assebmwoman Dist. 11
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of Kimberly Plump
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Love the Skin You're In
Family of Brothers

DONORS

Shelia L. Tyson Insurance
Queen of Lumpia
Faith Fellowship Baptist Church
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VEA
Vallejo Naval & Historical Museum
The Truck
The Mailbox Hub





Tyson Insurance Agency has participated in Vallejo Juneteenth for 12 years and this year as a small donor. It's important for the Juneteenth Holiday to continue to be celebrated for what it represents to African Americans -- Freedom! Congratulations to the Juneteenth Committee for their hard work and dedication to ensure the success of this annual event.

Shelia L. Tyson

VENDORS & EXHIBITORS

- African American Parent Network
- Aldea, Inc.
- Aliados Health - Park it Market
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Kappa Beta Omega Chapter Bronze Sponsor
- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Omicron Lambda Chapter
- American Red Cross
- Angels With Heart
- Assembly Member Lori Wilson
- Bay Clicks Photo Booth
- Black & Bearded
- Blazin Cajin Chicken & Fish
- BLVCK Lemons
- Boys & Girls Empowerment Group
- Boudreau Cajun Steakhouse
- Brain Freeze Slush
- BrandGov Empower Solano County
- Brittany & Co LLC
- Casa of Solano County
- Child Start, Inc.
- Child Start, Inc.
- Chon Renee Dance Academy
- City of Vallejo Participatory Budgeting
- City of Vallejo (VALCORE Recycling)
- Community HDC Housing and Development Corporation
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- Cricket Wireless
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Vallejo Alumnae Chapter
- ELITE Public Charter Schools
- Emmanuel Community Arms Foundation
- Emmanuel Temple Apostolic Church
- Essences of Soul
- Faith Food Fridays
- Family of Brothers
- Fighting Back Partnership
- First 5 Center Bay Area Community Resource
- First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission
- Fresh Air Vallejo
- Fresh Start Church
- Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
- Good Samaritan Baptist Church
- Greater Vallejo Jack and Jill
- Greenbelt Alliance
- Griffin Technology Academy
- Health Education and Resources for Black Births
- Healthy Vallejo Community Support Services
- Hot Hair Salon
- How You Mac'N
- IHART
- Inspired To Be...
- Iscah Uzza Foundation
- JP Morgan Chase
- jps5bling
- Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc Vallejo-Fairfield Alumni
- Kayla's Purse & Accessories
- Kaylo Crochets
- Kickoff Event Catering



VENDORS & EXHIBITORS

Kilene Whispers
Kilene Naturals
Landscape Matters
LeCrepe Factory
Lil Daddy's BBQ
Love the Skin You're In, Inc.
M Designs
MCE Clean Energy Silver
MNM Project H.O.P.E.
Momma's Hot Diggity Dog
MTS Training Academy
Myla J's Handmade Jewelry & Art
NAACP Vallejo Branch #1081
Nadine's Sweet Treats
National Council of Negro Women
Nicholson's Irresistible Sweet Treats
Novene C TV LLC
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc Theta Pi Chapter
Omega Reservoir of Hope Foundation
OmiCanPaint
One People Tribe
Orange Theory Fitness
Partnership Healthcare of California
Prideful Patchez
Queen of Lumpia
Rich Beads
Robbin Mackbee Firefighter EMS Youth Academy
Rose's Baked Goods
SafeQuest Solano
San Francisco Bay Ferry
SEIU 1021
Soaring Eagles Leadership Academy
Solano-Napa Black Women Organized for Political Action
Solano Community College
Solano County Behavioral Health
Solano County Black Infant Health Program
Solano County Health & Human Service
Solano County Library

Solano County Chapter of The Links
Solano HEALS
Solano Realtist Association
Southern Smokehouse BBQ
Sutter Health
Sutter Health Valley Area
Teescakes Cheesecakes
Treats and Thingz
Tricia Ann's Jewelryland
The House of Snack Flavor
The Mailbox Hub / Lux JMJ Boutique
The Sayles Group
The Truck
TJ Taco Jalisco
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Tricia Ann's Jewelryland
Urban Hippie University
Urban Strategies
Valero Benicia Refinery
Vallejo City Unified School District
Vallejo Education Association
Vallejo-Fairfield Alumni Kappa Alpha Psi
Vallejo Grocery Outlet
Vallejo Sister City & Commission
Vallejo Naval and Historical Museum
Vallejo Police Department
Vee'sNKay's Bling Shop
Victims Empowerment Support Team VEST
Visit Vallejo
Watson-Ellison Foundation
WEE COUNT
West Street Candle Company
Wright's Delights

"The Robbin Mackbee Firefighter/EMS Youth Academy supports the Juneteenth celebration because of the historical significance of the day. The celebration provides an excellent opportunity for us to contribute to the safety, health and wellness of our community, especially the children.

Byron Berhel



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SAVE THE DATE!

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