



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **BP Castrol Makes \$5,000 Donations to RPAL and YMCA**

*BP Castrol Supports Local Nonprofit Organizations Working on Behalf of Young People*

[RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA] — BP Castrol presented checks in the amount of \$5,000 each to the Richmond Police Activities League and the YMCA of the East Bay.

The Richmond Police Activities League (RPAL) is an organization dedicated to providing Richmond youth with a variety of prevention services and recreational, educational, social activities that keep them free from criminal contact. The RPAL staff, police officers and community volunteers serve as mentors to approximately 3,000 Richmond youth per year.

**“We are pleased to support RPAL and the YMCA of the East Bay and their similar mission to protect and enhance the lives of our neighbors in Richmond and the East Bay,” said Thomas Markin, Vice President of Government and Public Affairs, BP America. “BP takes great pride in making these donations because they are an investment in not only the critical relationship between our youth and local law enforcement, but also the health and well-being of our community which benefits all of us,” said Markin.**

The YMCA of the East Bay plays a major role in the development of our community by offering various fitness classes, after school programs, mental health programs, and child care programs for 15 elementary schools throughout West Contra Costa Unified School District and Alameda County.

BP Castrol's donation to RPAL and the YMCA of the East Bay are part of the company's ongoing commitment to make a positive and lasting impact in the communities where they operate.

#### **About BP**

BP, a global energy provider, recently announced plans to invest up to \$8 billion over the next ten years in alternative energy sources. Everyday, BP provides energy solutions to approximately 13 million customers in more than 100 countries. BP is the single, global brand formed by the combination of the former British Petroleum, Amoco Corporation, Atlantic Richfield (ARCO) and Burmah Castrol. For more information, visit [www.bp.com](http://www.bp.com).

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#### **About RPAL**

The Richmond Police Activities League (RPAL) is a non profit organization, formed in 1982 to provide a positive alternative to the streets for young people between the age of 5 and 18 years old through educational, social, and recreational activities. Using a positive network of police officers, local business leaders, and community volunteers, RPAL serves more than 3,000 youth per year. RPAL is supported through grants, donations, and contributions from local businesses and corporations. For more information about RPAL, visit [www.rpal.org](http://www.rpal.org)

#### **About YMCA of the East Bay**

The West Contra Costa Branch of the YMCA of the East Bay has been serving the West Contra County community since 1918. Their mission is to build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities by enriching the lives of all people in spirit, mind and body. For more information about the YMCA of the East Bay, visit [www.ymcaeastbay.org/](http://www.ymcaeastbay.org/)

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