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Richmond Police Chief Alfred Durham, center, and Sheriff C.T. Woody Jr., right, listen to area residents' suggestions to improve police relations during Tuesday's Community Conversation. Location: Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School in the East End. United Communities Against Crime teamed with other nonprofits to put on the event in which Mayor Dwight C. Jones and Delegate Delores L. McQuinn also participated.

Events in Richmond

Community forums, conversations, rallies and marches to address the issues of violence and policing will continue for the next few days in the Richmond area.

Here are a few:

**Thursday, July 14** — "Uniting the City: Let's Talk About It," a community discussion, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Mount Carmel Baptist Church, 3200 E. Broad St. Information: Email [info@empowerva.org](mailto:info@empowerva.org) or call organizers Keith Hicks, (804) 869-3032; Regie Ford, (804) 426-5377; and Lisa Speller-Davis.

**Saturday, July 16** — RVA's 1000 Man Black Lives Matter March, 3 to 6 p.m. The 2-mile march will start at Monroe Park at Belvidere and Franklin streets and end at Maury Park/

Charles Sydnor Playground, 15th and Maury Streets, in South Richmond.

**Sunday, July 17** — RVA Roundtable on Race, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Black History Museum & Cultural Center of Virginia, 122 W. Leigh St., in Jackson Ward. Sponsored by the museum and the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities, the event will feature small group discussions to explore personal experiences and perspectives. Pre-registration required. Info: (804) 515-7950 or email [contact@inclusiveva.org](mailto:contact@inclusiveva.org).

**Tuesday, July 19** — A public forum with local and state officials, community and faith-based leaders, 7 p.m., Saint Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Road. Sponsored by Speaking Spirit Ministries. Info: (804) 307-8737.



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Paint mars the statue and sidewalk of the bronze memorial to Richmond's fallen police officers in Byrd Park. Police Chief Alfred Durham and others decried the vandalism discovered Wednesday.