

AAPIP

Asian Americans / Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy

May 2024

HAPPY ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS HERITAGE MONTH!

Dear AAPIPers,

How has the first week of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islanders Heritage Month treated you? We hope your month so far has been full of reflection and celebration, and that you've been invited to connect with and serve your community in countless ways.

If May has been unceremonious for you thus far, AAPIP and our partners are offering a number of opportunities to commemorate the month (including AAPIP Affinity Spaces, AAPIP Sips, and Give In May), but perhaps a lack of AANHPI celebrations is an indicator of a larger issue our communities are facing: a lack of visibility.

In our report [Invisible Ink](#), AAPIP found that news coverage of Asian Americans in 2019 was so sparse, it was as if it was written in invisible ink. Across the publications studied, we found that newsrooms omitted AAPI data 37% of the time, even when the data were available. In articles analyzing race and economic inequality, AAPI communities were explicitly named just 2% of the time. Meanwhile, [Asian Americans face health disparities in cancer and chronic diseases](#) (Asian Americans are the only U.S. population suffering cancer as the leading cause of death), yet we have the lowest cancer screening rates and limited data covering cardiovascular disease in our communities. It was just this March that the federal government finally decided to update its race and ethnicity standards to more accurately represent specific AANHPI communities even though AAPIs are the fastest growing group in the United States and there have been [decades' worth of societal, political, economic and demographic shifts and demands for data disaggregation](#) preceding the change.

So, what can we do about it? Our events are one way to participate in our community, but AAPIP invites you to find new and creative ways, big or small, to amplify AANHPI voices and celebrate our heritage. You can tell your story and share your love for your Asian and/or Pacific Islander identity using [Spread AAPI Love](#), follow [reading lists](#) of works by AANHPI authors, or research the Asian Americans celebrated by Google Doodles throughout the month ([Meena Alexander](#) and [Hamida Banu](#) thus far) and share what you've learned with the people in your life. Maybe you can even find ways to support local AANHPI communities and organizations or combat the discrimination you may encounter in your own life! No matter how you commemorate the month, we hope you and your community receive an abundance of recognition and support.

This month, we're also welcoming [Michele Dilworth](#) to our AAPIP community as our new Interim VP of Communications and Partnerships!

In community,
AAPIP

AAPIP PROGRAMS

AAPIP Affinity Spaces



As an organization committed to disaggregating ethnicity-level data for our communities and known for providing gathering spaces for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders who work in philanthropy, we are excited to announce the kick-off of AAPIP Affinity Spaces!

Our intention with facilitating these spaces is to cultivate a stronger sense of community within the diasporas of the AAPIP network. Beginning Spring 2024, we will facilitate affinity spaces for folx who hold one or multiple of the following identities:

- Southeast Asian
- AMEMSA
- LGBTQIA+
- New Gen (Gen Z, Millennial, Zillennial)
- Filipino

[Register Here!](#)

After you sign up, AAPIP's Member Engagement Manager will send you a calendar hold to participate in your indicated Affinity Space!

Please note: this is only available to AAPIP members.

Come Sip with AAPIP!



AAPIP Sips

featuring OiYan Poon, Author of *Asian American is Not a Color: Conversations on Race, Affirmative Action, and Family*

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM PT / 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CT / 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET

Join author and researcher, OiYan Poon, for an intimate conversation with AAPIP's members on defining Asian American identities after the Supreme Court ruling on race-conscious college admissions. Faced with the dual responsibilities of advocating for our communities while organizing our communities for more just futures, we invite philanthropic professionals to a deeply reflective space to explore our identities and roles in this important work.

[Register now!](#) The first 20 registrants will be entered into a raffle to receive a free copy of [Asian American is Not a Color: Conversations on Race, Affirmative Action, and Family!](#)

[Register Here!](#)

Advocacy Training Series Session 3

AAPIP Advocacy Training Series 2024

June 2024



Session 3: Building Community Power

Measuring advocacy successes and impact.

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024
10 AM PT / 12 PM CT / 1 PM ET**

Building Community Power: Measuring Advocacy Successes & Impact

Building on the prior two sessions, this third session will showcase specific advocacy efforts across and beyond the sector. Participants will hear from leaders at foundations, philanthropic serving organizations, and community organizations about how their institutions identify policy and advocacy priorities, center and empower communities, and measure the impact of their work. They will share best practices and strategies that you can replicate at your own organizations.

Speakers:

Bonnie Kwon, W.K. Kellogg Foundation

Cyn Choi, Co-Director, Chinese for Affirmative Action

Kevin Douglas, Senior Director of Programs, Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees

Register Here!

COMMUNITY CIRCLE

Celebrate AANHPI with
Give in May

Did you give yet?

 **GIVE IN MAY**
AAPI HERITAGE MONTH

giveinmay.org

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ASIAN PACIFIC
Community Fund
Invest in people



AAPI DATA

The annual Give In May campaign has started! In celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month, we have joined as a community partner for the month-long, online giving campaign to raise awareness and funds for organizations serving AAPI communities across the country.

This year, there are more than 200 nonprofits participating, including AAPIP! As we honor the achievements and milestones of the AAPI community this month, we also know that nonprofits need continued support to provide essential services and programs. You can make a difference in helping our AANHPI community by donating to a nonprofit today.

[Donate Now!](#)

MEMBER COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHTS



As the progressive home to AANHPIs in philanthropy, AAPIP's work is empowered by a 150+ membership network of private, family, community, and corporate foundations, grantmaking networks, individual staff of grantmaking organizations, and other philanthropic institutions. Of our institutional members, we are honored to uplift the AANHPI-led member organizations and their grantee partners who together embody the deeper commitment to dedicating philanthropic support to our communities, led by our communities. We'll uplift these member organizations and their grantee partners throughout this month, so stay tuned!

READING LIST



Foundation to convene 3rd annual summit on anti-Asian hate, building AAPI coalitions

Published April 22, 2024 by Associated Press

Advancing Culturally Competent Care for the AANHPI Community

Published April 29, 2024 by Tonie Marie Gordon and Nonprofit Quarterly

Asian Americans, Charitable Giving and Remittances

Published May 2, 2024 by Carolyn Im, Abby Budiman, and Pew Research Center

Federal documents don't provide enough checkboxes for all AAPI ethnicities. That may be about to change.

Published May 6, 2024 by Mariel Padilla and The 19th

Are We Too Comfortable?

Published May 3, 2024 by Fakequity

Is it just as hard to give out money as it is to seek it?

Published May 7, 2024 by Nonprofit AF and Vu Le NWB Consulting



FEATURED JOBS

Vice President, Impact (W.K. Kellogg Foundation)

Battle Creek, MI

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Battle Creek, MI

The Medical Foundation, Chief Science Officer (Health Resources in Action)

Boston, MA

Executive Director (Community Investment Network)

Raleigh, NC

Vice President of Finance and Administration (Foundation for Child Development)

New York, NY

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING AAPIP!

Advancing justice and equity will take all of us.

AAPIP is in deep appreciation for the ongoing support from our 400+ member network who join us in supporting AANHPI people in philanthropy and working to increase the scale and impact of philanthropic resources aimed at advancing the inclusion, health, and wellbeing of AANHPI communities in the pursuit of a more just and equitable society.

See our full membership community [on our website](#).

[Need to renew or join as a member? Join AAPIP!](#)

