

ANALYSIS

Coronavirus/COVID-19 Resources to Stand Against Racism

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Asian Americans have been targeted by racism and xenophobia related to the coronavirus or COVID-19. We offer the following resources in response to this hate.



Facts, Not Fear

For health information, please refer to the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u>¹ and <u>World Health Organization</u>.²

In addition, the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum has been compiling multilingual resources on the coronavirus and COVID-19 in their Community Library: <u>Asian American, Native</u> Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander In-Language Resources for Coronavirus³.



The AAPI Emergency Response Network (ERN)⁴, born out of a collaboration between the National Council of Asian Pacific Americans (NCAPA) and other non-profit groups, is a compilation of resources on health, hate incidents, small business, and more specifically for the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Resources to Document and Address Hate

We encourage reporting to our website, <u>www.StandAgainstHatred.org</u>⁵, which is accessible in Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese.

Asian Americans Advancing Justice created this site in January 2017 to capture information about the increase in hate we observed in the lead-up to the 2016 election. Through this website, we document hate crimes, harassment, and discrimination experienced by our community. As we state on the site, when people submit reports, they are aiding our efforts to monitor and push back against hate. "By

sharing what you experienced or witnessed, you can educate the public, empower others, show service providers where help is needed, and strengthen advocacy efforts for hate crimes response and prevention."

The following resources ⁶ are available through Stand Against Hatred:

- We partner with the <u>Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law</u>⁷ and their <u>Stop Hate project</u>⁸ to provide assistance to those impacted by hate. Assistance with legal and social services is available through the Stop Hate hotline (1-844-9-NO-HATE), which is accessible in a number of languages.
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice is part of Communities Against Hate, a diverse coalition of civil
 rights organizations led by the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights. Read the
 report <u>Hate Magnified</u>⁹ published by the coalition in January 2019 that details reports submitted to
 Communities Against Hate.

Discrimination should never be acceptable anywhere. We encourage our communities and allies to learn about ways to respond:

- Hollaback!¹⁰ Show Up: Your Guide to Bystander Intervention¹¹
- New Resource from <u>Teaching Tolerance</u>¹², a project of the Southern Poverty Law Center <u>How to</u> Respond to Coronavirus Racism¹³



Bystander Intervention Virtual Trainings

One way we can take action to protect our communities is to learn ways to intervene effectively as a bystander without compromising safety. We're excited to announce that <u>Hollaback!</u> and <u>Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC</u>¹⁵ are partnering for a virtual workshop on bystander intervention.

The one-hour, interactive training will teach you Hollaback!'s 5 D's of bystander intervention methodology.

- We'll start by talking about the types of disrespect that Asian and Asian American folks are facing right now -- from microaggressions to violence -- using a tool we call the "spectrum of disrespect."
- You'll learn what to look for and the positive impact that bystander intervention has on individuals and communities.
- We'll talk through five strategies for intervention: distract, delegate, document, delay, and direct; and how to prioritize your own safety while intervening.
- We'll have time at the end for practice, and you'll leave feeling more confident intervening the next time you see Anti-Asian and Asian American harassment online or in-person.

Sign up for an upcoming training! 16

- Thursday, May 21st at 7:00pm ET / 6:00pm CT / 5:00pm MT / 4:00pm PT / 1:00pm HST. Register here. 17
- Saturday, May 30th at 2:00pm ET / 1:00pm CT / 12:00pm MT / 11:00am PT / 8:00am
 HST. Register here. 18
- Wednesday, June 3rd at 2:00pm ET / 1:00pm CT / 12:00pm MT / 11:00am PT / 8:00am
 HST. Register here.¹⁹
- Wednesday, June 10th at 4:00pm ET / 3:00pm CT / 2:00pm MT / 1:00pm PT / 10:00am HST. Register here. 20
- Thursday, June 18th at 7:00pm ET / 6:00pm CT / 5:00pm MT / 4:00pm PT / 1:00pm HST. Register here.²¹
- Thursday, June 25th at 4:00pm ET / 3:00pm CT / 2:00pm MT / 1:00pm PT / 10:00am HST. Register here 22 .

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. The training is currently only offered in English but we are seeking funding to expand it into other languages.

More Resources from Hollaback!

- Show Up, Your Guide to Bystander Intervention 11, by Hollaback! in collaboration with CUP
- How to Respond to Street Harassment²³, by Hollaback!. Written to respond to gender-based
 harassment but the tactics are applicable to all forms of harassment. We'll be adapting these for the
 Asian/American community in the coming weeks.
- Responding to Online Harassment, Do's and Don't²⁴s by Hollaback! in collaboration with #ICANHELP, Project HEAR, and the Dangerous Speech Project.
- <u>Self care guide²⁵</u> to healing from Online Harassment, by Hollaback!
- Digital Safety²⁶ Guide, by Hollaback!
- HeartMob²⁷, a platform where you can get support managing online harassment and/or support others experiencing it, by Hollaback!

Additional Resources

 IMPACT Bay Area Training: Free online classes to empower the community during the pandemic, including "Facing AAPI Race-Based Harassment" - Register here²⁸

This 90-minute class will introduce strategies that can be helpful in the face of race-based harassment like adrenaline management, de-escalation, and verbal boundary setting, as well as bystander intervention. This class is for AAPI identified and presenting individuals. Registration required, limited to 25 participants in each class.

- Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance (APALA) <u>Protecting Asian American and Pacific Islander</u> <u>Working People</u>²⁹
- Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO) <u>Public Health Alerts</u>, <u>including Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update</u>³⁰
- Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA) Media Guidance: <u>Asian American Journalists</u>
 <u>Association (AAJA) calls on news organizations to exercise care in coverage of the coronavirus outbreak</u>³¹
- Joint statement from AAJA and partners denouncing anti-Asian racism during coronavirus outbreak³²
- AFL-CIO: COVID-19 and Immigrant Workers Fact Sheet 33
- APEN COVID-19 Emergency Community Stabilization Fund ³⁴

- APIAVote: Immigrant Neighbor Fund³⁵
- NAKASEC Emergency Mutual Aid Fund³⁶
- National Employment Law Project: <u>Immigrant Eligibility for Unemployment Insurance</u>³⁷

Words Matter

We are working with the media, Congress, and partner organizations to inform around the harm of this xenophobia.

Media Hits



- <u>Download the Social Media Toolkit from the National Council of Asian Pacific Americans</u> 38
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice Statement on Discrimination and the Coronavirus
 Epidemic³⁹ (February 2020)
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice Social Media Responses to Comments by Elected Officials:
 - House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy 40 (March 10, 2020)
 - President Trump⁴¹ (March 16, 2020)
 - Senator John Cornyn⁴² (March 18, 2020)
- National Council of Asian Pacific Americans (NCAPA) <u>Asian American and Pacific Islander Leaders</u> and Over 260 Civil Rights Organizations Call on Congress to Denounce Anti-Asian Racism around COVID-19⁴³
- Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC) <u>As Coronavirus Fears Incite Violence,</u>
 <u>CAPAC Members Urge Colleagues to Not Stoke Xenophobia</u> 44
- Yes, Viruses Used To Be Named After Places. Here's Why They Aren't Anymore. 45 (HuffPost March 19, 2020)
- Asian People Are Being Targeted By Racist Attacks. Here's How You Can Be An Ally. 46 (HuffPost March 19, 2020)
- Photo of Trump remarks shows 'corona' crossed out and replaced with 'Chinese' virus ⁴⁷ (NBC Asian America - March 19, 2020)
- Trump doubles down that he's not fueling racism, but experts say he is 48 (NBC Asian America March 18, 2020)

- The coronavirus and the long history of using diseases to justify xenophobia 49 (The Washington Post Feb. 14, 2020)
- The National Council of Asian Pacific Americans (NCAPA), of which Advancing Justice | AAJC is a member, put together a <u>social media toolkit</u> ⁵⁰ of many of the resources mentioned here that you can use to amplify to your networks.

Links

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- 2. https://www.who.int/
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