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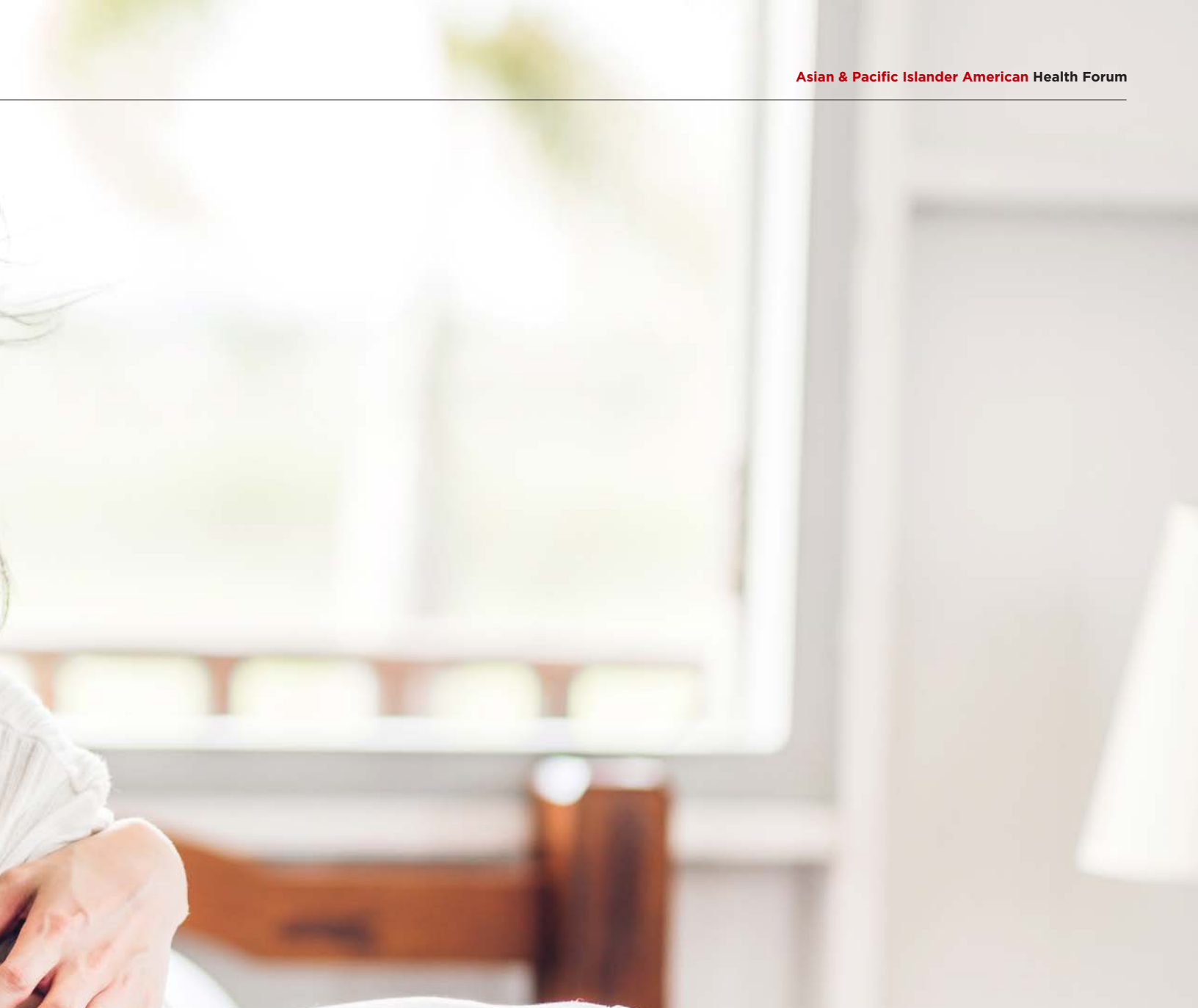


Our Mission

APIAHF influences policy, mobilizes communities, and strengthens programs and organizations to improve the health of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders.

Our Vision

APIAHF envisions a world where all people share responsibility and take action to ensure healthy and vibrant communities for current and future generations.



Our History

APIAHF, founded in 1986, is the oldest and largest health advocacy organization working with Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities across the United States and U.S.-affiliated Pacific jurisdictions. By providing policy recommendations and advocacy, data support, and effective communication strategies, APIAHF supports local AANHPI communities to have an influence on local, state, and national policy. By providing grants, training, technical assistance, and capacity building, APIAHF is also a source of key resources so that communities can mobilize and grow stronger in their coalitions and organizational structures.

Unprecedented.

The COVID-19 pandemic, its effect on our healthcare system, and the resulting rise in anti-Asian hate is unprecedented. Throughout 2022, the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum met the *unprecedented* by being present as an ally, amplifier, and advocate for the healthcare needs of our nation's diverse Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. Our national coalition of community-based organizations is now 180 strong and continuing to expand, with a more than 60 percent growth throughout the pandemic that extends our reach across 41 states and U.S.-affiliated Pacific jurisdictions.

In 2022, through our strategic partnerships to protect our communities from COVID-19, we managed \$6.8 million in COVID funding to: educate Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander healthcare workers about infection prevention and control; educate and mobilize communities to access vaccinations; and address the unique needs of our community members who are at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19, including disproportionately affected essential and frontline workers, multigenerational households, and people with diabetes.

To address the rise in anti-Asian hate that grew during the pandemic, we developed toolkits in Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander languages to help communities prevent and respond to hate crimes. The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association recognized the impact of our anti-hate crime toolkits with its 2022 President's Award to the Health Forum.

The Health Forum leveraged investments to improve access to healthcare, collaborating with community-based organization to improve our communities' access to Medicaid, Medicare and the Marketplace; ensure access to culturally and linguistically sensitive support; raise awareness and knowledge of disease through educational activities; and increase the number of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders utilizing screening and preventative care services.

As part of our shared commitment with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to end the HIV epidemic in the United States by 2030, we support continuous quality improvement and sustainability for community-based organizations providing HIV services for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

To increase health equity, the Health Forum advanced healthcare language accessibility through impact grants and capacity building assistance to more than 50 community-based organizations in our network. In partnership with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, we developed a racial equity framework to identify and address the unique social determinants of health within Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities through sustainable community-based practices.



Our policy team champions laws, policies, regulations, and guidance that improve the healthcare outcomes of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. We elevate the voices of our community members in dialogue with the White House, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice, and the U.S. Congress. We provide resources and strategic support to our community-based partners to influence local, state, and national policy.

The 2022 Health Equity Awards on Capitol Hill was our first in-person event since the pandemic. There, we celebrated policymakers, community advocates, and organizations who have advanced policies promoting health equity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. The October 2022 VOICES Conference convened our national network of partners to engage in substantive discussions about topics such as Medicaid, the Inflation Reduction Act, and *Dobbs v. Jackson*.

The Health Forum's strategic partnerships enabled us to respond to unprecedented challenges and accelerate change in our communities. We will continue to work strategically with government, philanthropic, advocacy, and private sector organizations that share our vision for improving health equity for our Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities in order to secure the public health of our country.

Your belief, trust, and dedication to our work is what amplifies our impact and enables us to continue advancing healthcare access, quality, and equity. On behalf of the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum board, staff, and all those we serve, thank you.

Sincerely,



Oliver J. Kim

Oliver J. Kim
Board Chair



JK Choi

Juliet K. Choi
President & CEO

A committed champion of a growing national network

The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) is a trusted partner for federal and state agencies implementing public health laws, policies, and programs that address health disparities affecting Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. APIAHF is a thought partner in a national community that advocates for racial and health equity to improve public health outcomes. Most importantly, APIAHF is a committed champion of a growing national network of 180 community-based organizations serving the diverse and complex health needs of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities across 41 states and U.S.-affiliated Pacific jurisdictions.

Effective public health policies require a continuous, iterative process informed by scientific evidence and a feedback loop from the affected communities. APIAHF serves as the interlocutor between the community-based organizations that serve their communities, the research community, the people who formulate policies, and elected leaders.

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41 self-identified ethnic communities are served by one or more of our network partners that help navigate the challenges of language barriers, cultural background, history, socioeconomic status, geography, and more.

Afghan
Asian Indian
Bangladeshi
Bhutanese
Burmese
Carolinian
Cambodian
Cham
Chamarro
Chien
Chinese

Chuukese
Fijian
Filipino
Hmong
Indonesian
Japanese
Karen
Karenni
Korean
Kosraean
Laotian

Malaysian
Marshallese
Mien
Mongolian
Native Hawaiian
Nepalese
Pakistani
Palauan
Papua New Guinean
Pohnpeian
Samaon

Sri Lankan
Taiwanese
Thai
Tokelauan
Tongan
Vietnamese
West Papuan
Yapese

To inform its advocacy priorities, the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) undertakes an annual survey of community-based organizations providing health services to, and/or advocating on behalf of, Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities. Combined with outreach and engagement with our community partners, the survey informed APIAHF's 2022 policy priorities:

- 01 Healthcare Access
- 02 Healthcare Quality
- 03 Healthcare Equity

Under these broad categories, specific priorities include:

Language Access

APIAHF holds federal agencies accountable to enforce current protections for language access and urges the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to restore language protections enacted in the Affordable Care Act, Section 1557. APIAHF advocates for legislation to require adequate funding and resources to enable community-based organizations and healthcare providers to provide information and care in more languages. Every third member of an Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community has limited English language proficiency.

Data Disaggregation

Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander populations continue to grow and to expand our footprint across a growing number of states. Yet, much of the data available about our communities is consolidated in a way that disregards the diverse experiences and issues within these communities. To counter this, APIAHF advocates for the federal government to revise Health and Human Services programs to ensure they comply with Affordable Care Act requirements to collect, analyze, and report detailed demographic data.

Equity In COVID-19 Response

APIAHF advocates for federal agencies to collect, analyze, and report detailed, disaggregated COVID-19 demographic data. As of December 2022, only 21 of 50 U.S. states collected disaggregated COVID-19 data on Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders. To address this disparity, APIAHF pushed for legislation to increase funding and resources to programs and organizations that support members of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities most impacted by COVID-19.

Access To Medicaid, Medicare, & Marketplace

The 2010 Affordable Care Act is one of the most significant expansions in civil rights and health care since the creation of the Medicaid program in 1964, including expanded Medicaid coverage to nearly all adults with incomes up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$18,754 for an individual in 2022). As of December 2022, 41 states (including Washington, DC) have adopted Medicaid expansion. APIAHF continues to advocate for legislation and policies that address barriers to healthcare that Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities face, work toward full implementation of COFA Medicaid restoration, and ensure a stable rate and policy environment for relevant Medicare and ACA marketplace plans.

Immigrant Access To Healthcare

APIAHF advocates to protect and expand programs proven to support Asian immigrant and Pacific Islander migrant communities. APIAHF pushed for legislation to eliminate barriers that immigrants may face and called on the White House to publish a new and fair public rule charge. To improve diversity and equity in health, APIAHF advocated for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander representation in rare disease research, clinical trials, and other areas in which these communities are underrepresented. APIAHF works to ensure that our community-based partner organizations will continue to receive adequate resources.

In addition, we plan to advocate for increased funding for the HHS Office of Minority Health and agency offices, including the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) is a trusted and effective partner for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and other governmental agencies. We partner with philanthropic and private sector organizations that share our understanding that good public health requires that all communities have equitable access to quality healthcare.

Through these partnerships, APIAHF implements programs in collaboration with communities to mitigate health disparities. APIAHF programs build capacity and support advocacy in community-based organizations. These organizations are on the front lines of improving access to, quality of, and equity in healthcare services for underserved Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.



Healthcare Access



20 x 20 Navigator Program

Partners

Bristol Myers Squibb
Community Catalyst
General Motors

Shared Goal

Ensure AANHPI communities receive **ACCESS** to the care they need by increasing the availability and skills of community health workers and patient navigators to provide education, counseling and facilitate enrollment in health insurance plans.

Investment

Bristol Myers Squibb corporate health equity grant with additional investments from Community Catalyst and General Motors to support 20 community partners in hiring and training more community health workers and patient navigators to help clients from Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities navigate the health insurance marketplace, enroll in Medicaid and Medicare, and access the health services they need.

“Members of our Southeast Asian community in Central Massachusetts are low-income immigrants, refugees, and asylees. Many have limited English proficiency. Many are elders. Due to language barriers and cultural misunderstandings, many of our clients have lost insurance over the years. With support from the 20 x 20 Navigator Program, in just three months we helped more than 50 clients enroll or reinstate appropriate insurance.”

Tracy Nguyen

Associate Director, Southeast Asian Coalition of Central Massachusetts
Worcester, MA

Impact in 2022



Engaged

100+ community health workers and 60+ patient navigators, including Pacific Islander patient navigators.



Enrolled

5,900+ people in Medicaid, Marketplace, or Medicare.



Assisted

12,000 clients with understanding, enrolling in, and using healthcare insurance.

Engaging AA and NH/PI Communities in Adult Vaccination

Partner

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Improve operational capacity for adult vaccination coverage with increased **ACCESS** to immunization services among Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities through strengthened community partnerships.

Investment

\$2.5 million cooperative agreement grant for 26 community partners in the National AA and NH/PI Health Response Partnership, a consortium, to increase acceptance of vaccines and access to immunization services among Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

“It’s been great collaborating with APIAHF and the other partners nationwide and learning from you all. Thanks so much for the Forum’s confidence in and support of our work!”

NICOS Chinese Health Coalition
San Francisco, CA

Impact in 2022



Partnered

With 881 trusted community leaders to communicate the importance of flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.



Produced

180 communication products, 119 resources, and 2,882 campaign products driven by community-level needs such as COVID-19 misinformation in Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.



Hosted

1,562 community members through 142 campaign events during flu season and National Flu Vaccine week to increase awareness about flu and COVID-19 vaccinations.



Informed

The CDC's long-term vaccination outreach strategy through a better understanding of vaccine hesitancy in Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.



Deployed

Community-based, culturally-tailored, and linguistically appropriate messages on the flu, COVID-19, and the importance of vaccination translated in up to 34 Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander languages.



Built

A foundation for unified future public health responses through the National AA and NH/PI Health Response Partnership.

Organizing For Outreach

Partner

Community Catalyst

Shared Goal

Ensure AANHPI communities receive **ACCESS** to the care they need by facilitating enrollment of uninsured and inadequately-insured Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islanders in health insurance plans.

Investment

Grant to support 11 community-based organizations in conducting better outreach and communication to help enroll uninsured and inadequately-insured members of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities in healthcare.



Impact in 2022



Engaged

11 partners in Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New York, Texas, and Utah.



Hosted

447 community events.



Supported

Medicaid and Marketplace enrollment with 19,739 people.

Healthcare Quality



Capacity For Health Program (C4H)

Partners

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Promote continuous **QUALITY** improvement and sustainability for community-based organizations providing HIV services for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities by enhancing the skillsets of mid-level to senior managers.

Investment

\$1.1 million five-year grant to develop the skills and capacity of mid-to-senior level community-based organization staff to manage HIV prevention and treatment activities. A complementary grant to produce a social media campaign to support Ending the HIV Epidemic.

“I enjoy [the Creative Problem-Solving Intensive] because it’s very simplified and quick...with techniques that are easy to just implement and do and reproduce.”

Stacie Ciesielsk
Medical College of Wisconsin
Milwaukee, WI

Impact in 2022



Engaged

180 mid-to-senior level HIV staff from 118 community-based organizations.



Enrolled

72 managers in a National Learning Community supported by peers, coaches, and mentors from the HIV treatment and prevention workforce.



Published

43 self-paced web-based courses for CBO managers to improve skills in managing people, programs, and organizations.



Facilitated

A six-week Creative Problem-Solving Intensive for CBO managers to solve management challenges at their organization.



Produced

8 social media events; 5 podcasts; 6 workshops; 13 video segments for the Ending the HIV Epidemic campaign.



Healthcare Equity





Infection Prevention Control/Project Firstline

Partners

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Increase health **EQUITY** by ensuring frontline healthcare workers and the public health workforce can protect themselves, their patients, and their communities from infectious disease threats.

Investment

\$1 million cooperative agreement grant to support 5 community-based organizations in the National AA and NH/PI Health Response Partnership. This grant provided culturally appropriate and linguistically accessible infection prevention control training for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander frontline healthcare workers.

Impact in 2022



Produced
24 training materials and resources translated in 10 Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander languages.



Hosted
2 virtual trainings with simultaneous interpretation and audio voiceover in 10 Asian and Pacific Islander languages featuring CDC and community champions.



Engaged
16 Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander infection and control champions.



Adapted
CDC infection control content into training materials and live training in additional languages.



Expanded
Existing channels and identifying new channels for the distribution of materials.

Forging Partnerships

Partner

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Increase health **EQUITY** by building the capacity of disproportionately impacted communities to respond to COVID-19 and future health issues.

Investment

\$3.3 million cooperative agreement grant to strengthen 10 community-based organizations serving the areas of Seattle, Washington; New York City, New York; Northern California; Southern California; and all islands in Hawaii. This grant addressed the unique needs, strengths, and preferences of members of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19, such as disproportionately affected essential workers, multigenerational households, and people with diabetes.

“We are so grateful to be counted among this group making an impact and raising awareness/knowledge of COVID-19 in our communities.”

**National Asian Pacific
American Bar Association
(NAPABA)**
Washington, DC

Impact in 2022



Jointly Created

COVID-19 Rapid Needs Assessment, one of the nation's largest COVID-19-related needs surveys for AANHPI communities.



Developed

More than 200 communication and education products informed by data ranging from toolkits, infographics and palm cards, videos, data reports, events, and social media graphics and other digital resources in 34 Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander languages.



Published

National COVID-19 Rapid Needs Assessment survey in 12 languages.



Policy Accelerator Lab

Partners

Kresge Foundation
California Wellness Foundation
Bristol Myers Squibb

Shared Goal

Increase the capacity and effectiveness of community-based organizations serving Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities to advocate for health and health **EQUITY** issues.

Investment

Kresge Foundation supported four community-based organizations to participate in a Social and Economic Mobility Policy Accelerator Lab.

California Wellness Foundation supported four California community-based organizations to participate in a California Health Advocacy Accelerator Lab.

Bristol Myers Squibb supported five community-based organizations to participate in the Policy Advocacy Capacity Building Accelerator Lab.

“A great learning experience with the camaraderie of shared values.”

Nyotsna Sharma,
Board Member, AWAAZ San Antonio
San Antonio, TX

Impact in 2022



Facilitated

Formation of two state-based coalitions, one in Texas and another in California, and one multistate coalition of community organizations across California, New Mexico, Michigan, and Texas aimed at increasing the capacity of AANHPI-serving communities to engage in policy advocacy.

Health Resources

Partner

Bristol Myers Squibb

Shared Goal

Identify and prioritize health **EQUITY** issues that affect the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Investment

Corporate grant to support production and digital dissemination of monthly infographics in multiple languages about chronic and infectious diseases, cancer prevention, health disparities, and other related topics.

Impact in 2022



Engaged
APIAHF's network of over 170 community-based organizations.



Produced
88 infographics in 25 different Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander languages.

乳癌是一種從乳房開始的癌症。
乳癌通常會形成腫瘤，可以從 X 光上看到或感覺到腫塊。

根據疾病管制與預防中心的資訊，雖然罹患乳癌的大部分是女性，但男性也可能罹患乳癌。
在美國診斷出的乳癌案例中，大約每 **100 例** 會有 **1 例** 是男性。

在加州，亞裔美國人、夏威夷原住民和太平洋島民婦女的**乳房和子宮頸癌篩檢率最低** (子宮頸抹片檢查、乳房攝影檢查和臨床乳房檢查)(Kagawa-Singer & Pourat, 2000)。

夏威夷原住民婦女的**乳癌發生率和死亡率很高**，相較於夏威夷其他族裔群體，她們確診的年齡小很多、腫瘤也處於較末期 (Hawai'i Cancer Facts and Figures, 2010)。



徵兆和症狀

請務必注意乳房的正常外觀和感覺，並注意乳房的任何變化。

- 全部或部分乳房腫脹 (即使沒有感覺到腫塊)
- 皮膚凹痕 (有時看起來像橘皮)
- 乳房或乳頭疼痛
- 乳頭回縮 (向內凹陷)
- 乳頭或乳房皮膚發紅、乾燥、脫屑或變厚
- 乳頭分泌物 (母乳除外)
- 淋巴結腫脹 (有時乳癌會擴散至手臂下或鎖骨周圍的淋巴結，並導致該處有腫塊或腫脹)

如果您有這些徵兆或症狀，請務必諮詢醫護人員。



預防

終生保持健康將降低您罹患癌症的風險，並提高您在發生癌症時的存活機率。

- 保持健康的體重
- 規律運動
- 請勿飲酒或節制飲用含酒精飲料
- 如果您正在接受或被告知要接受荷爾蒙補充療法或口服避孕法 (避孕藥)，請詢問您的醫師相關風險，且如有可能，請確定是否適合為孩子哺乳
- 如果您有乳癌或危險因子 BRCA1 和 BRCA2 基因突變的家族史，請與您的醫師討論其他降低風險的方法

風險因子

- 年齡漸長
- 某些基因的遺傳突變，例如 BRCA1 和 BRCA2。
- 生殖史：初經在 12 歲前開始，更年期在 55 歲後開始
- 乳房組織密度高
- 個人有乳癌或某些非癌症性乳房疾病的病史
- 乳癌或卵巢癌的家族史
- 先前使用放射線治療進行的療程
- 使用 diethylstilbestrol (DES) 藥物的婦女
- 身體活動量少

可改變的風險因子

- 更年期後體重過重或肥胖
- 服用荷爾蒙：某些形式的荷爾蒙補充療法 and 某些口服避孕法 (避孕藥)
- 生殖史
- 飲酒



篩檢

美國預防服務專科小組
建議 50 至 74 歲乳癌風險一般的婦女每兩年要進行一次乳房攝影檢查。

乳房攝影檢查是乳房 X 光。對於許多女性而言，在乳癌較容易治療且大到足以感覺到或造成症狀之前，乳房攝影檢查是及早發現乳癌最好的方式。

乳房磁共振造影 (MRI) 使用磁鐵和無線電波來拍攝乳房的照片。MRI 搭配乳房攝影檢查，可篩檢出乳癌罹患風險高的女性。

臨床乳房檢查是由醫師或護理師進行的檢查，其使用雙手感覺是否有腫塊或其他變化。

乳房自我意識是指熟悉乳房的外觀和感覺，幫助您注意到腫塊、疼痛或可能引起擔憂的尺寸變化等症狀。

資源

- **American Cancer Society:** cancer.org/cancer-information-in-other-languages.html
- **National Cancer Institute:** cancer.gov
- **'Imi Hale Native Hawaiian Cancer Network:** imihale.org
- **California State University, Fullerton:** wincart.fullerton.edu/cancer_edu/index.htm
- **Asian American Health Initiative:** aahiinfo.org
- **Pacific Cancer Programs:** pacificcancer.org
- **Asian American Cancer Support Network:** aacnsn.org

來自疾病管制與預防中心的徵兆和症狀、預防、風險因子與篩檢資訊

Capacity Building For Public Health Partnerships (CORE)

Partner

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Ensure all people have an **EQUITABLE** opportunity to live as healthy a life as possible.

Investment

\$150,000 cooperative agreement grant to build the capacity of disproportionately impacted communities to respond to COVID-19 and future health issues, while promoting the sustainability of community-based practices that address the social determinants of health. These practices included a combination of strong science, interventions, evaluation, partnership, policy, communication, and workforce enhancement.

Impact in 2022



Launched

A racial equity framework - in partnership with the CDC, at the American Public Health Association 2022 Annual Meeting - to support the strategic planning and development of public health interventions that improve health outcomes in Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander populations.



Published

An [editorial report](#) - in partnership with the Hawai'i Health and Harm Reduction Center - on the impacts of systemic racism on Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders living with HIV and Viral Hepatitis.

Hepatitis B & Tuberculosis Engagement Project

Partner

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Achieve health **EQUITY** by increasing knowledge, testing, and treatment of TB and latent TB infection among Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities at increased risk.

Investment

\$300,000 grant to provide technical assistance, training, and capacity building to community partners to conduct outreach to communities most affected by TB. Support included increasing awareness and understanding of latent TB infection testing and treatment strategies, sharing resources and best practices among providers, and developing partnerships to scale existing initiatives.

Impact in 2022



Engaged

More than 300 professionals in October 2022 during a three-day virtual summit on “Achieving TB/Hep B Health Equity” for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities and other high-risk populations, produced in partnership with Hep B United, the TB Elimination Alliance, and the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations.



Represented

The TB Elimination Alliance, together with the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations, at a CDC-led Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis, a national convening of TB leaders and experts.

Addressing AANHPI Community Health

Partner

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Shared Goal

Advance health **EQUITY** for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities by promoting good nutrition, regular physical activity, and a healthy weight to improve overall health and well-being and prevent, delay, and manage many chronic diseases.

Investment

\$200,000 cooperative agreement grant to address health disparities in health programming for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders by providing technical assistance and training for 43 community-based organizations on specific ethnic and cultural needs.

Impact in 2022



Produced

Virtual training, resources, live office hours for technical assistance, and web-based courses, such as: “The Other Side of the Plate,” with Janice Chow, a San Francisco-based licensed nutritionist and dietitian.



Performed

An environmental scan and key informant interviews with land use experts to better understand barriers to walking and other forms of community-based physical activity in Asian American, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islander communities.



Facilitated

A Division of Nutrition Physical Activity and Obesity program-led chronic disease expert panel, “Overcoming Chronic Inequities: Diabetes, Nutrition and Physical Activity in Historical Excluded Minority Populations” at the VOICES conference in Washington, DC.

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Health Equity Awards 2022

Our annual Health Equity Awards ceremony honors the work that our community partners, healthcare providers, and policymakers do in the course of serving their communities.

On June 9, 2022 we honored:

Congresswoman Barbara Lee

With the Policymaker Award for her long standing work advocating for health equity and unwavering allyship and advocacy for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Jon Osaki

With the Community Advocate Award for his work to bring awareness to Asian American history and racial justice.

APPEAL

With the Organization Award for their work toward health equity and racial justice for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Special guests included:

Erika Moritsugu

Deputy Assistant to the President and AANHPI Senior Liaison, The White House

Nisha Ramachandran

Executive Director, Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus

Krystal Ka'ai

Executive Director, White House Initiative on Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders

VOICES 2022 Conference

Our annual VOICES conference brings together healthcare and policy professionals, social justice advocates, and community leaders to elevate the stories of our communities to key stakeholders working to advance health equity and health justice, with a focus on eliminating disparities and supporting Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Over 300 people from across the country attended the October 18-19 VOICES 2022 conference in Washington, DC, our first-in person VOICES since the pandemic.



Two plenaries sessions and a guest speaker set the tone for VOICES 2022:

Senator Mazie K. Hirono

HAWAII

The Honorable Leslie E. Kobayashi, U.S. District Court, District of Hawaii, interviewed Senator Hirono about her book, *Heart of Fire: An Immigrant Daughter's Story*.

Charles Kamasaki

AUTHOR AND SENIOR CABINET ADVISOR, UNIDOSUS

Mr. Kamasaki discussed his book, *Immigration Reform: The Corpse That Will Never Die*.

Honorable Guest, Krystal Ka'ai

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE ON ASIAN AMERICANS, NATIVE HAWAIIANS, AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS

Spoke about the Administration's efforts to ensure federal programs and initiatives advance equity, justice, and opportunity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.



Panel presentations and workshops facilitated discussion about policy, capacity building, and community engagement, with networking breaks encouraging community collaboration. Topics included:

- [Health Equity Outlook 2023](#)
- [Increasing Access to Healthcare: Community Health Workers & Patient Navigators](#)
- [Equitable Access to Healthcare for Seniors](#)
- [The Call for Change: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion](#)
- [Addressing AANHPI Wellness and Mental Health in America](#)
- [Overcoming Chronic Inequities: Diabetes, Nutrition and Physical Activity in Historical Excluded Minority Populations](#)
- [Rare Diseases and the AANHPI Community](#)
- [Achieving Health Access - National Level Issue, State Level Solutions](#)
- [Preparing for the Medicaid “Unwinding”](#)

Our VOICES 2022 Conference was possible due to the generous support of our corporate sponsors. Thanks to the generous support of VOICES Sponsors, we were able to provide more than 80 scholarships for the travel and lodging expenses of community-based organization representatives who would have otherwise been unable to attend.

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In addition to providing general operating support, Business Leadership Circle partners advance the interests of AANHPI health and health equity through:

- Event Sponsorship**
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- Raising Public Awareness**

Business Leadership Circle partners were encouragingly visible at our 2022 Health Equity Awards and 2022 VOICES Conference, and participated in strategic discussions with key stakeholders.



Our Health Equity Awards Business Leadership Circle Luncheon on June 9, 2022, included:

- A briefing on APIAHF programs and initiatives by President & CEO Juliet K. Choi
- Discussion about key issues in health equity
- An intimate screening of the award-winning documentary, *Not Your Model Minority*, followed by Q&A with director and Health Equity Award honoree, Jon Osaki



Our VOICES Business Leadership Circle Luncheon on October 19, 2022, included:

- A briefing on the needs and growth of APIAHF's national network of community partners by President & CEO Juliet K. Choi
- A preview of APIAHF's documentary series, *Our Diaspora*, followed by Q&A with APIAHF staff
- A discussion about future opportunities for corporate partnership



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Announcements For 2023

2023 Health Equity Awards



Our annual Health Equity Awards will take place on July 13, 2023, in Washington, DC.

2023 VOICES Conference



Our annual VOICES Conference will take place October 17-October 18, 2023, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC.

New Office Location



APIAHF's California office has transitioned from its previous Oakland location at 1111 Broadway, Suite 300, Oakland, CA 94607 to:

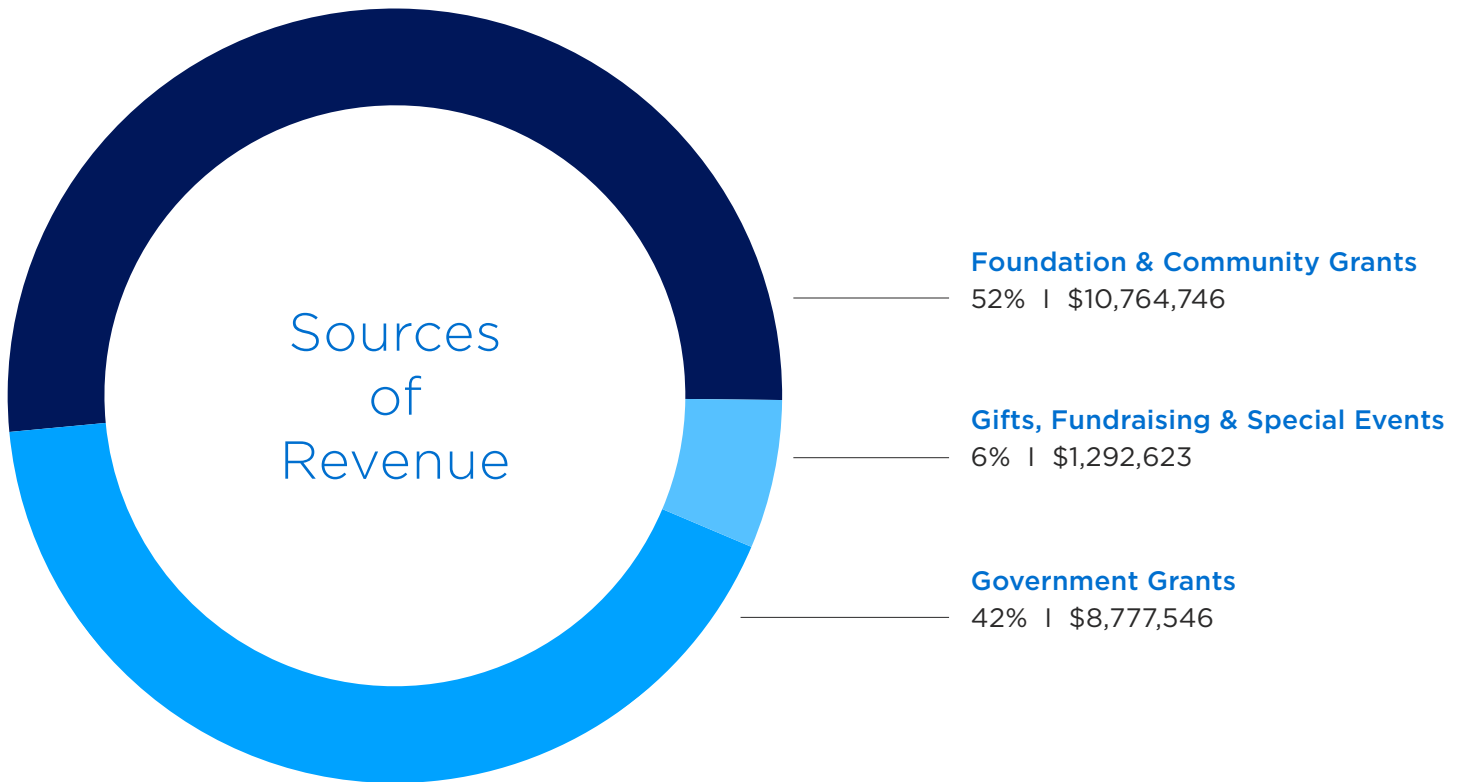
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Remember to mark your calendars and sign up for the [APIAHF email list](#) to receive reminders and updates regarding these events.

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Fiscal Year 2022 (January 1 - December 31, 2022)

Total Revenue | \$20,834,915





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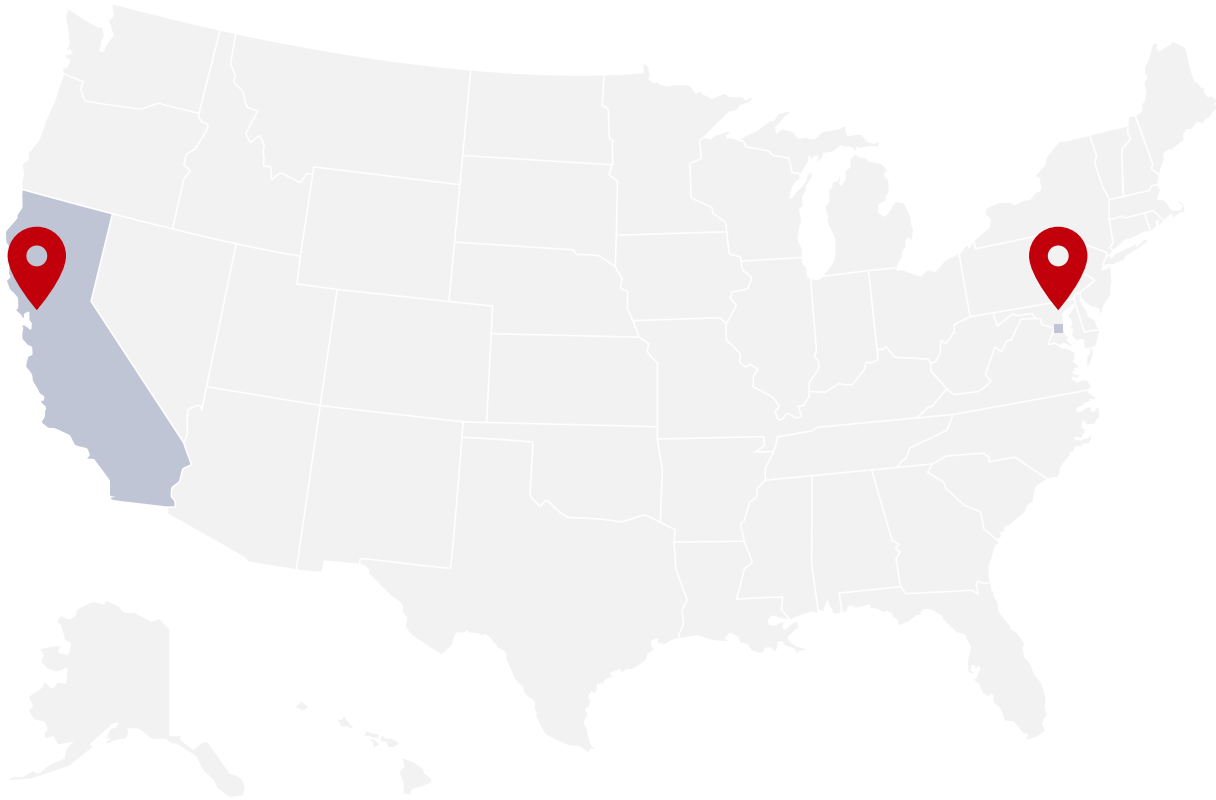


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