

## CLPA Position Statement on the Hate Crimes Against the Asian and Asian American Communities

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CLPA would like to acknowledge and stand in solidarity with the Asian community. According to the Pew Research, almost one third of Asian adults reported having been called a derogatory insult since the beginning of the pandemic. While there is a history of ongoing hate crimes against the Asian community, most recently we have seen an increase in physical attacks. More specifically we have seen the increase in the Bay Area. CLPA denounces the increase in anti-Asian hate crimes, assaults and xenophobia.

We call into action for our CLPA family to do our part to help. Looking for more information and how you can help?

- 1) Donate to an Asian-led support organization.
  - "<u>How To Report a Hate Crime</u>" booklets created in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese and Spanish. (<a href="https://gofund.me/91207002">https://gofund.me/91207002</a>)
- 2) Disseminate information within your community. Here are some brochures: <a href="https://linktr.ee/essyli">https://linktr.ee/essyli</a>
- 3) Stop the "model minority" myth this further perpetuates stereotypes and is harmful.
- 4) Educate yourself:
  - Asian Americans Advancing Justice (https://www.standagainsthatred.org/)
  - Muslim Advocates (https://muslimadvocates.org/action/report-discrimination/)
  - South Asian Americans Leading Together SAALT (https://saalt.org/policy-change/post-9-11-backlash/)
  - Pew Research: (<a href="https://www.pewresearch.org/social-trends/2020/07/01/many-black-and-asian-americans-say-they-have-experienced-discrimination-amid-the-covid-19-outbreak/">https://www.pewresearch.org/social-trends/2020/07/01/many-black-and-asian-americans-say-they-have-experienced-discrimination-amid-the-covid-19-outbreak/</a>)