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# COALITION FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY AND JUSTICE

COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS AROUND  
VIOLENCE IN THE ASIAN COMMUNITY

促進會  
華人權益  
**CAA**  
CHINESE FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

**CYC**  
COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER

華人  
進步會  
CHINESE  
PROGRESSIVE  
ASSOCIATION

NEW  
BREATH  
FOUNDATION



# HATE BY THE NUMBERS

- SF Incidents of Hate: 359, 39% of Bay Area Incidents
- Bay Area Incidents of Hate: 931
- Nationwide Incidents of Hate: 3,795

The Coalition was formed in 2019 in response to long standing incidents of violence, crime and racial tensions and the surge in COVID-19 related anti-Asian racism and xenophobia has created a greater sense of urgency.

The Coalition has played a critical role in defining the problem and putting forth recommendations that recognize intergenerational and devastating impacts of violence for the Asian and other affected communities.



# THREE-PRONGED APPROACH

In order to develop an effective citywide plan to address incidents of violence against Asian Americans and to address the underlying causes we are launching a multipronged strategic initiative to do the following:

- Create a Citywide Rapid Response Network for Victims/Survivors
- Establish a robust Citywide Public Safety Intervention and Prevention Based System
- Pilot models for Cross Racial Healing and Solidarity



# CITYWIDE RAPID RESPONSE NETWORK



- Address immediate harm through wrap-around and holistic services
  - Intensive care management, financial assistance, mental health support, benefits enrollment and legal and court advocacy.
  - Dedicated victims assistance fund
- Immediate Safety Programs
  - Street Outreach Program
  - Community Escort Program
  - Safety Education and Violence Prevention Programs





# CITYWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY INFRASTRUCTURE

- Address immediate harm by working with the following:
  - SF Police Department Referrals
  - SF General Referrals
  - District Attorney's Victim Services
  - Department of Public Health
- Partner with existing intervention and prevention programs to ensure language and cultural competence and coordination
  - Street Violence Intervention Program
  - Community Ambassadors Program



# CROSS-RACIAL HEALING & SOLIDARITY



Pilot a community healing, racial solidarity and restorative justice capacity building initiative working specifically with impacted Chinese and Black community leaders and residents. This work will entail intra and inter community building activities designed to address harm and to prevent future harm, to address racial tensions between Asian and Black communities, and to build our communities' capacities to work together for our collective safety.



The logo features a central white speech bubble with a dark blue outline, containing the text. The background is a solid light blue. There are decorative elements: a cluster of small white plus signs in the top-left corner, a cluster of small white plus signs in the bottom-right corner, and two larger plus signs (one dark blue, one white) in the top-right corner. At the bottom-left, there are several horizontal dark blue brushstroke-like lines.

# SF Human Rights Commission

**Public Safety and Neighborhood  
Services Committee**

**April 8, 2021**



# Human Rights Commission

- Community Engagement - Educate & Engage
- Civil Rights - Investigate & Mediate
- Policy and Social Justice - Advocate & Legislate

# Our Approach

## Community-Led



Supporting existing programs and building out new **more responsive programming**

## Education



**Workshops and town halls** with community partners and City leadership

## Landscape Analysis



**Meeting with community and assisting City departments** in identifying needs, gaps and best practices

# Cross Racial Solidarity

HRC creates **community education and policy initiatives** to support cross-racial solidarity work and address racial inequity in SF, including hate incidents against the AAPI community, such as:

- **Equity Studies Task Force** with SFUSD
- **HRC Community Roundtable** brings together community leaders every week since the beginning of the pandemic



# Cross Cultural Justice Program

A cohort of youth in the  
**Opportunities for All** program -  
focused on building a collaboration  
between Black and AAPI youth to  
address bias and discrimination



# Community Partners

HRC is committed to advancing **community-based and multi-pronged approaches** that have also been uplifted by advocates from their decades of experience providing services and organizing



# Stand Together SF

HRC works closely with community leaders and organizations that provide community services and advocacy to develop initiatives, including:

API Council

Northeast Medical Council

Japanese Community Youth  
Council

Chinese for Affirmative Action

Community Youth Center of SF

SF Charity Cultural Services  
Center

Museum of the African  
Diaspora

Chinese Cultural Center of SF  
Collective Impact

Rafiki Coalition

Faith Leaders and Coalitions



# Stand Together SF

# Attendees

Partners

Theme

October 2020

351

Community Partners

Strategies to address  
anti-Asian discrimination

October 2020

86

District Attorney

Hate Crimes vs. Hate Incident

November 2020

384

State Superintendent Tony Thurmond

Youth Forum

December 2020

250

Jon Osaki Film Screening

Impact of racism on  
Black/Asian interaction

February 2021

150

Asian Art Museum/MOAD/APA Heritage

Art and Culture as tools to  
combat racism

April 2021

*Upcoming -  
April 17*

Stand Together SF

Campaign for Solidarity

# Strategies and Tools

<b>Resources</b>	Host workshops and webinars as well as school groups. The HRC works in 8 middle - and high schools
<b>Interventions</b>	Working directly & on the ground with CBOs and trusted messengers
<b>Evidence-based research</b>	Long established policy research that increased policing, surveillance, and criminalization does not increase safety for communities of color, including AAPI community
<b>Upcoming events</b>	Stand Together SF: Campaign for Solidarity - 4/17/2021
<b>Community engagement</b>	Nearly 1,000 participants/attendees for the series of virtual events and workshops
<b>Culturally responsive and linguistically accessible</b>	Working closely with community leaders and organizations to ensure direct services and advocacy are culturally responsive, including translation for events and for documents

# COVID-19 Response



- HRC Community Roundtable
- Advocated and continue to push for wraparound services, PPE, testing, equity in vaccination through City, CCC and community partnerships
- COVID-19 Response & Recovery Racial Equity Toolkit speaks directly to the increase in anti-Asian racism because of COVID (June 2020) including:
  - Communications guidelines around anti-racism, anti-xenophobia, and anti-hate messaging
  - Information about bystander intervention training, and reporting options such as Stop AAPI Hate

# Moving Forward

Expand work and coordinate across the City to address all of the following aspects of anti-AAPI violence:

## Upstream

Systemic policy change and public services

Preventative education and training

## In the Moment

Incident response training and information

## Downstream

Victim/survivor support

Restorative and transformative justice programs





# HRC Resources

**SF Human Rights Commission:** <https://sf-hrc.org/>

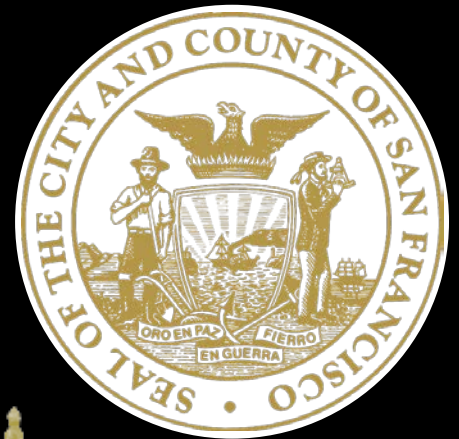
- Office of Racial Equity: <https://www.racialequitysf.org/>
- Office of Sexual Harassment and Assault Prevention:  
<https://www.sharp-sf.org/>
- Opportunities for All: <https://www.opps4allsf.org/welcome>
- Stand Together SF: <https://standtogethersf.org/>



# Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors

**Board of Supervisors  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services  
Thursday, April 8, 2021**

**Adrienne Pon, Executive Director  
Richard Whipple, Deputy Director-Programs**



**OCEIA** is a policy, grantmaking,  
compliance and direct services office.  
We serve as a bridge, help City departments,  
community-based organizations, immigrants,  
low-income and vulnerable communities,  
and people who speak primary languages  
other than English.

## What We Do

- Civic & Community Engagement
- Citizenship Workshops
- Community Safety
- DreamSF Fellowships
- Grantmaking & CBO Support
- Immigrant Assistance & Integration
- Language Rights & Services
- Policy & Data Analysis
- Workforce Development





**OCEIA**

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE OF  
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT  
& IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS

**A safe, inclusive and equitable  
San Francisco  
where everyone can contribute  
and thrive**





**San Francisco is home to  
over 870,000 people**

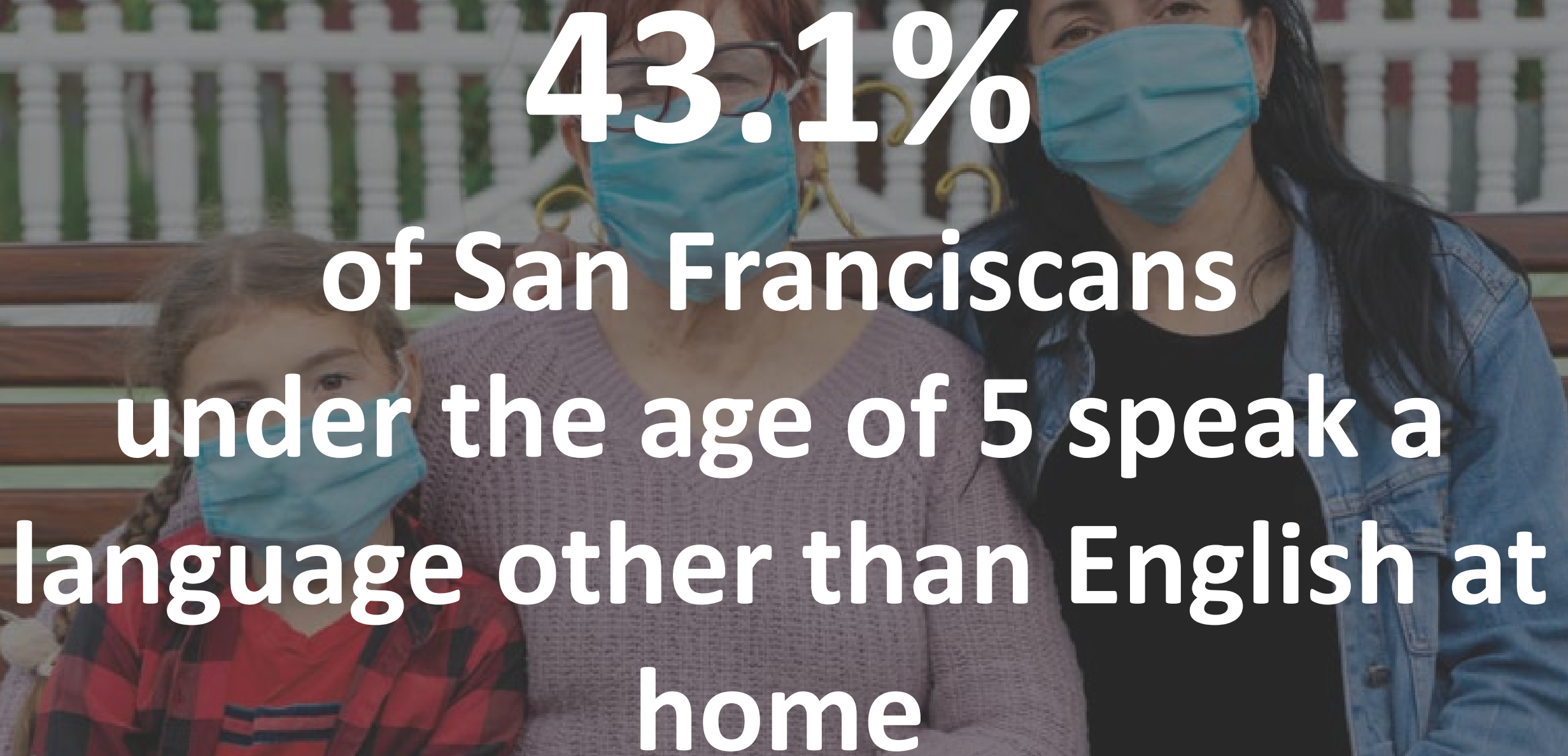


A photograph of two women walking across a city street. The woman on the left is wearing teal scrubs and a blue face mask. The woman on the right is wearing a red and grey jacket, black pants, and a blue face mask. They are walking on a sidewalk with yellow crosswalk markings. In the background, there are buildings, trees, and a traffic light.

# 1 in 3

## San Franciscans is an immigrant

With 34.3% of its residents  
born outside of the U.S.,  
the City remains one of the most culturally and  
linguistically diverse places in the country.

A photograph of a family of three sitting on a wooden bench outdoors. The woman on the right has long dark hair and is wearing a blue surgical mask and a denim jacket over a black top. The woman in the middle has short reddish hair, wears glasses, and a blue surgical mask, and is wearing a light purple sweater. The child on the left has braided hair and is wearing a blue surgical mask and a red and black plaid shirt. The background shows a white lattice fence with green and red accents. The text is overlaid in white on a semi-transparent dark background.

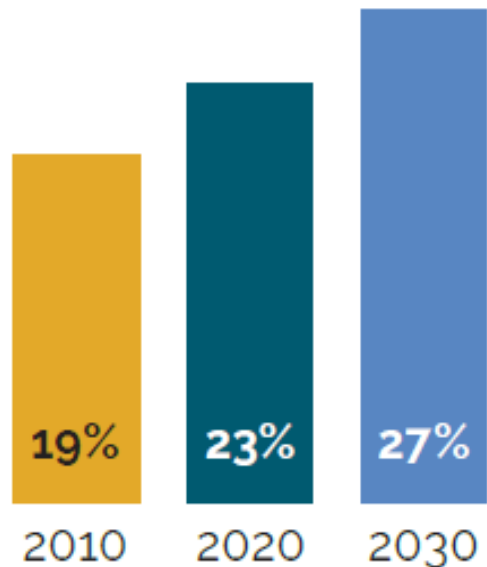
**43.1%**  
**of San Franciscans**  
**under the age of 5 speak a**  
**language other than English at**  
**home**



# San Francisco's Changing Demographics

Our population of older adults is growing substantially. Investing in this community is important for the future of our City and region.

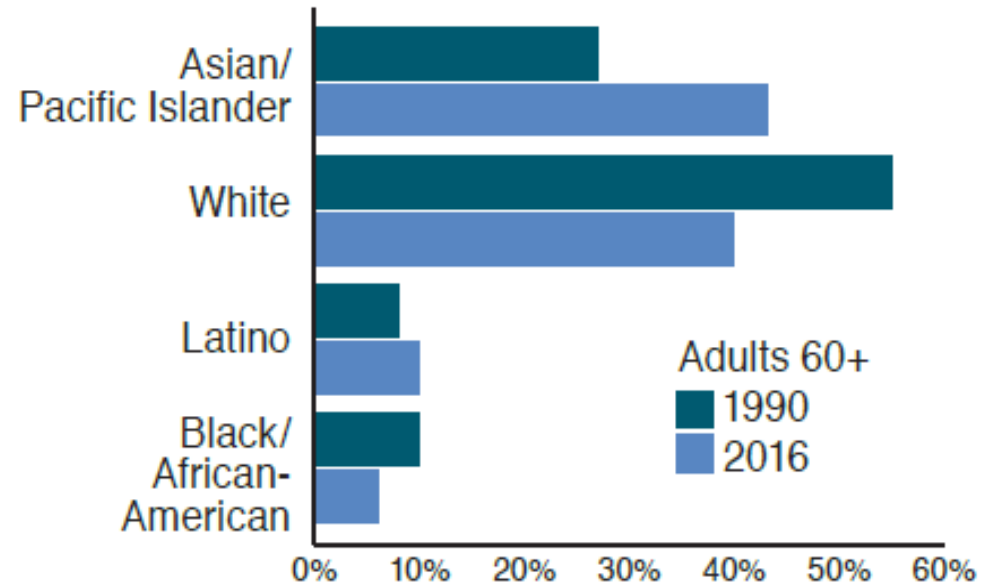
## Older Adults are the Fastest Growing Age Group



Nearly 30% of San Francisco residents will be age 60 or older by 2030<sup>1</sup>

## We are Among the Nation's Most Diverse

Over the past two decades, our community of older adults has shifted to become predominantly a population of immigrants.<sup>2</sup>



54% speak a primary language other than English

12% self-identify as LGBTQ<sup>3</sup>

## Language Equity is a right!

Over 109 Languages are spoken in SF. Timely, accurate information is critical during emergencies and public safety situations.

OCEIA monitors compliance with the LAO, trains and helps City Departments engage, inform, and better serve our residents and workers in the languages they speak and understand. We ensure cultural and linguistic competency.



Established in 2010, **OCEIA's Community Ambassadors Program (CAP)** is a community safety and neighborhood engagement job training program. Ambassadors provide a visible safety presence and offer assistance, referrals and information to the public.



# OCEIA Community Ambassador Services

- **Safety Escorts and Safe Passage** for residents, workers, visitors, communities, schools, students, and merchants
- **De-escalating** or resolving minor conflicts or disagreements
- **Providing Directions and Wayfinding**
- **Reporting** criminal or disruptive behavior to the SFPD. Alerting 311 and City departments of safety hazards or street cleanliness/maintenance issues that affect public safety or health
- **Conducting Wellness Checks**, providing information and/or referrals to social services if needed
- **Educating & Informing the Public**
- **Supporting community partnerships and collaboration**
- **Offering General Assistance**



# Community Ambassadors currently operate in these SF neighborhoods:

- Bayview
- Chinatown
- Mid-Market/Tenderloin
- Mission (near 16th & Mission BART plaza)
- Visitacion Valley



# **VIOLENCE PREVENTION STARTS WITH INDIVIDUALS**

- **Alive and Free Violence Prevention Training: The Prescription to End Violence and Change Lives**
- **Role modeling positive interactions in the community**
- **Developing a culture of WE and US**
- **Ambassadors are local residents with a stake in community success**
- **Building a pathway for success and economic opportunity, participation and contribution**

**Community Resources**

**&**

**Opportunities**

**SOLIDARITY**

**Ending Racism,  
Hate and Violence**



# Cross-Racial Healing and Solidarity in a White Supremacist World: Nellie Mae Education Foundation

White supremacy has deeply impacted communities of color.

White supremacy has created competition and harm within racial groups. But harm means there is also opportunity for healing.

- Alexis Harewood, *Program Officer*

**We're going to fight racism not with racism, but we're going to fight with solidarity.** -Fred Hampton, *Activist*

Healing can only begin to happen when we stop long enough to listen deeply to each other, acknowledge the harms we have caused one another, and understand that it is white supremacy that has pitted us against each other and that of which must be dismantled. Ellen Wang, *senior program officer*



**What happens right now ...  
will send a message for  
generations to come as to  
whether we matter — whether  
the country we call home  
chooses to erase us or include  
us, dismiss us or respect us,  
invisiblize us or see us.**

**—Daniel Dae Kim, actor/activist**

Testimony before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on the  
Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties. March 18, 2021



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# Speaker: Arturo Carrillo





# Street Violence Intervention Program



The San Francisco Street Violence Intervention Program (SFSVIP) is a street outreach and crisis response program created in 2013 to reduce and intervene in youth related street violence for the City and County of San Francisco.

## Goal:

To reduce negative behaviors with identified youth that can lead to street violence in San Francisco.



# Supporting Youth in Need

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- **Target Population:** Youth and young adults age 10 to 35 years old; and victim(s) or perpetrator(s) of street violence.
  - **At-Risk-** no system involvement but display negative behavior.
  - **In-Risk-** system involved first time and/or on probation/parole.
  - **High-Risk-** system involved and identified as a target of being either perpetrator or victim of violence.



# SVIP Program Components

## Street Outreach

Street Canvassing

Crisis/Post Crisis Support

Community Building Events

Safe Passage

Conflict Mediation

Preventive Education

Intensive Mentorship

**Education Unit**

## Crisis Response

Crisis Response- Incident/Activation

Post Crisis

Focus Intervention ( street canvassing)

Safe Passage

Conflict Mediation

Preventive Education

Intensive Mentorship

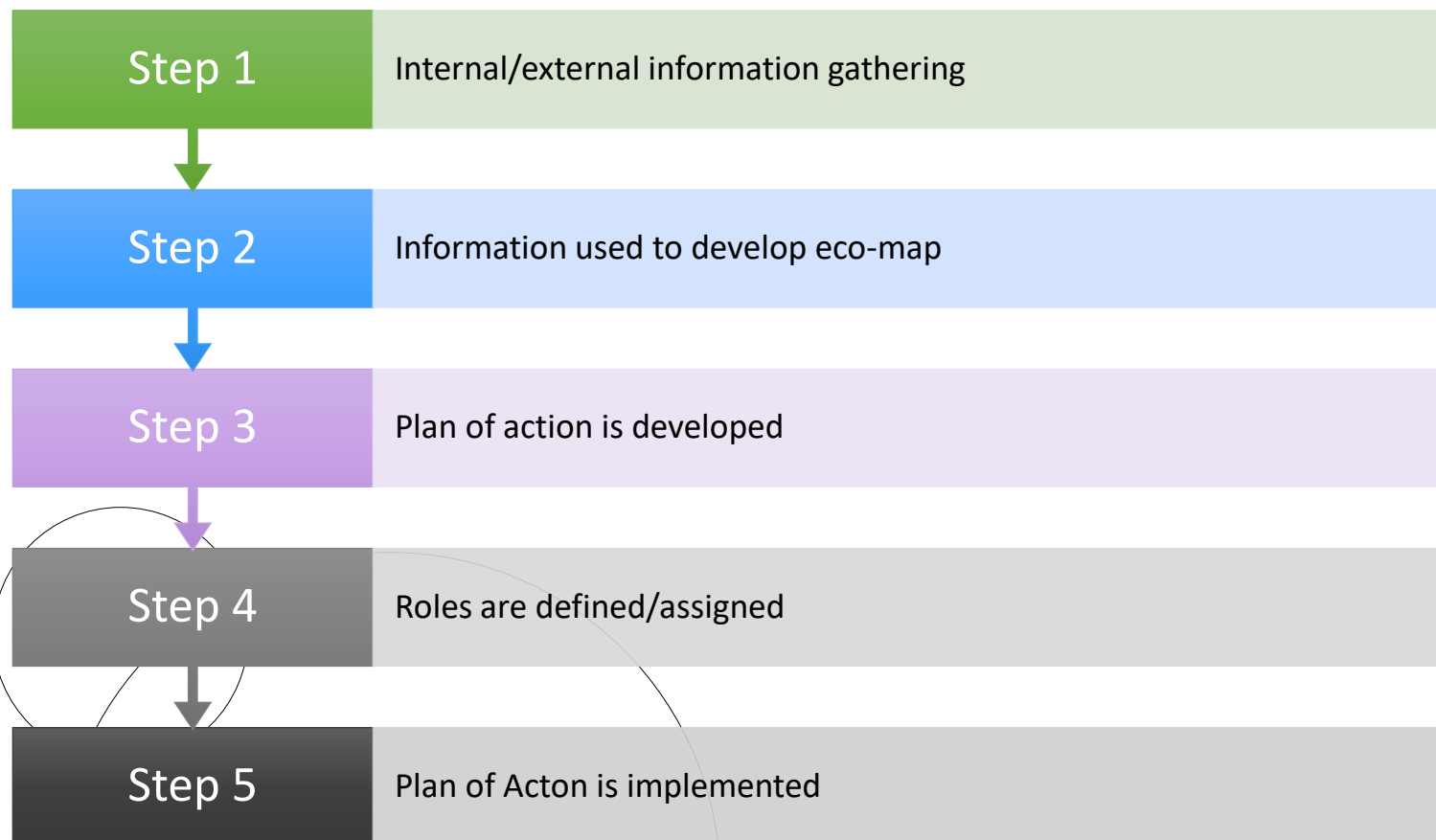
**Shadow Unit**

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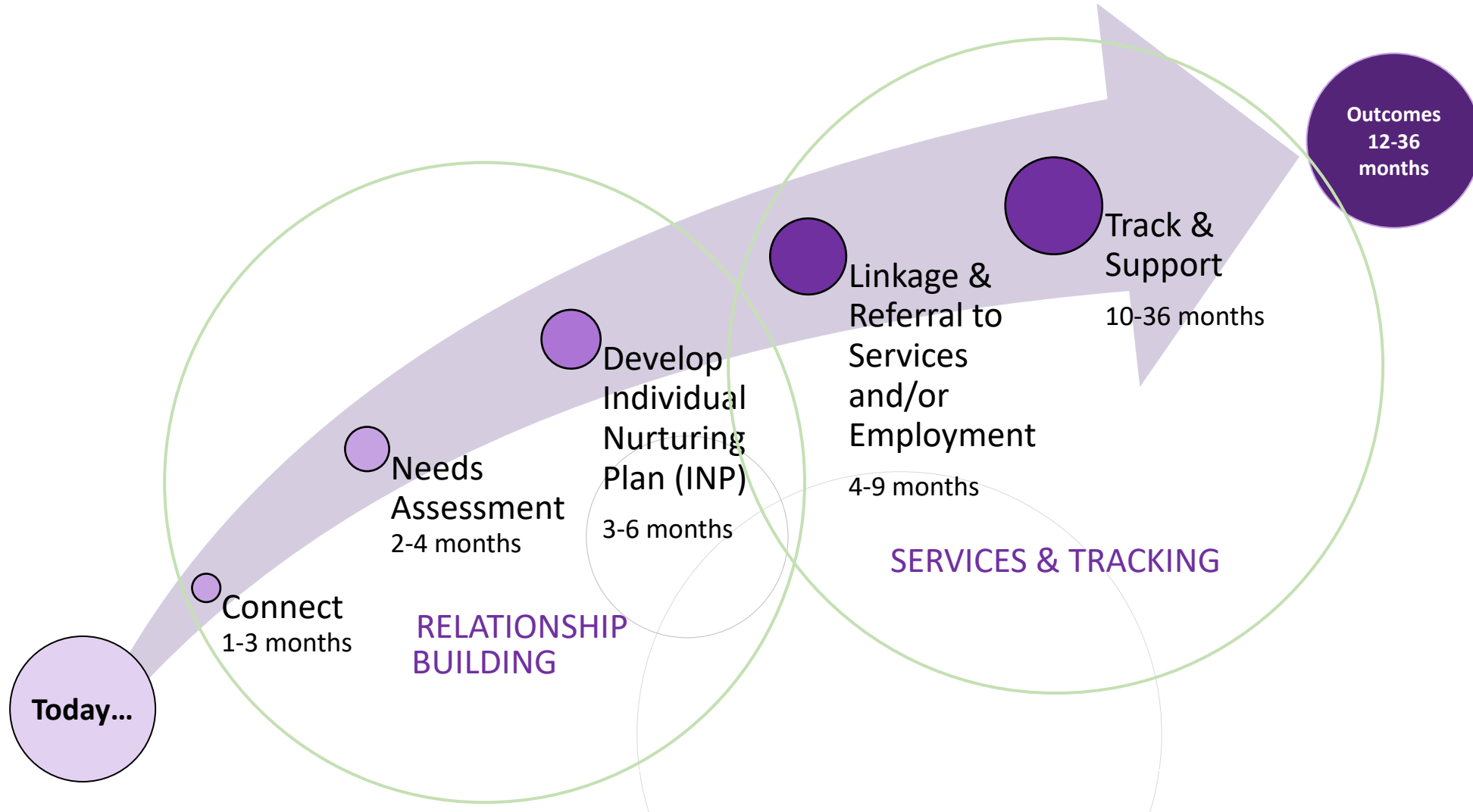
# Intervention Process





# SVIP Nurturing Process

## (Empowering Our Youth Back To Reality)



# Crimes & Violence In The Asian American Community



*Safety with Respect*

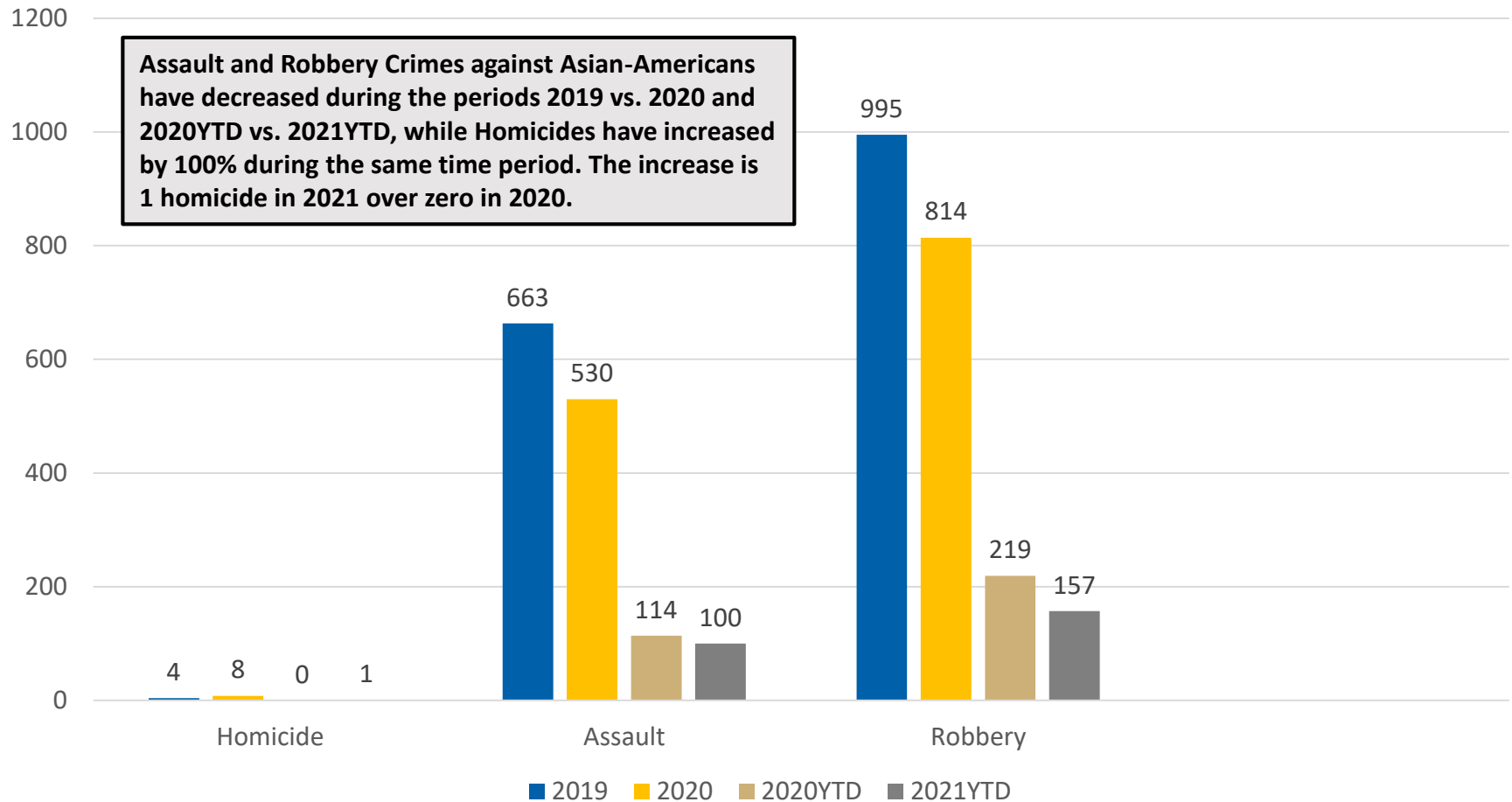
CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Police Department



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# Violent Crimes Against Asian-Americans 2019, 2020, 2021<sub>YTD</sub>

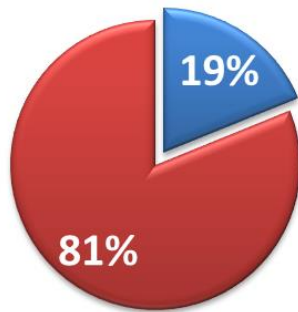


\*2021 YTD is thru March 07, 2021



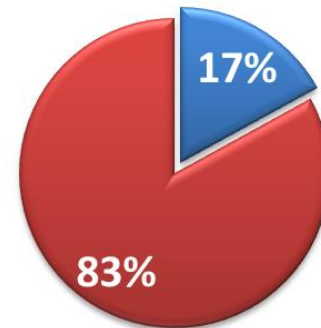
# Incidents Involving Elderly Asian Americans vs. All Elderly Victims

2019 Elderly Victims



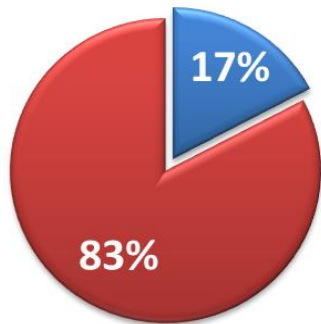
■ Asian or Pacific Islander ■ All Others

2020 Elderly Victims



■ Asian or Pacific Islander ■ All Others

2021 YTD Elderly Victims



■ Asian or Pacific Islander ■ All Others

**Elderly victim incidents by race stayed relatively neutral over the last three time periods.**

\*2021 YTD is thru March 07, 2021

# Hate Crime Victims: Asian Americans vs. All Others

## Asian Americans

2019 vs. 2020

9 vs. 8

2021<sub>YTD</sub>

15

## All Others

2019 vs. 2020

81 vs. 64

2021<sub>YTD</sub>

9

**Hate crimes of Asian-American victims decreased by 11% from 2019 to 2020 while hate crimes victims of all other races decreased by 21% during the same time period.**

# Determining Prejudice-Based Incidents

**Department General Order (DGO) 6.13** provides guidelines to identify prejudice-based incidents. The DGO calls for the assessment of the following:

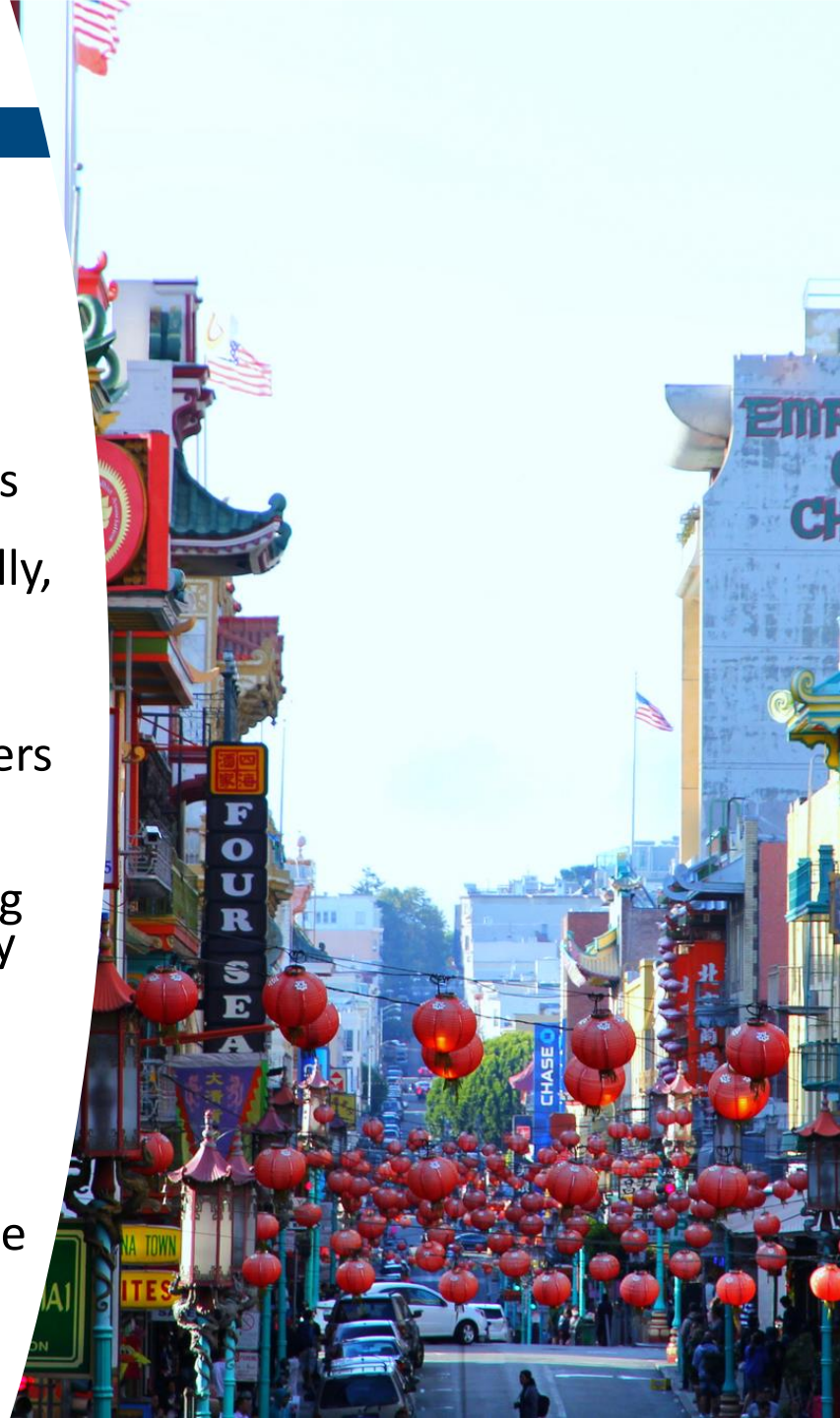
- The incident includes violent or threatening acts directed at the person or property of any listed or similar individual or group.
- The incident includes acts such as threatening phone calls, physical assaults, destruction or property, bomb threats and the disturbance of religious meetings.
- The **motivation** behind the act is prejudice-based

If the crime is determined to be prejudice based then SFPD Hate Crimes Unit of the Special Investigations Division (SID) will take over the investigation.

# Response to Violence in AAPI Community

SFPD has prioritized its response to crimes against the AAPI Community through its various outreach forums, educational campaigns and transparency with crime information. Specifically, the SFPD has done the following:

- Chief's API Advisory Forum
- Anonymous tip-line for monolingual members of the Cantonese and Mandarin speaking community
- Crime dashboard for tracking and identifying crime trends impacting the AAPI community with a focus on elder crimes
- Updating Department policy to more accurately reflect incidents targeting AAPI community
- Additional officer presence within the API community in commercial corridors Citywide



# Outreach Efforts/Strategies

## Community Liaison Unit (CLU)

Establishment in October 2020 under Community Engagement Division (CED). **CLU** is comprised of 2 sergeants and 4 officers who serve as liaisons to several different communities.

- CLU coordinates with the Investigations Bureau & the assigned SFPD investigator to provide support and outreach to victims and families of:
  - Prejudice based incidents
  - Hate crime incidents
  - Incidents of violence against historically marginalized communities
- Community Liaison Unit (CLU) determines the appropriate response and follow-up with the harmed community through coordination with district stations on deployment of resources and outreach to community stakeholders.



# Community Liaison Unit (CLU)

CLU officers provide:

- Referrals to supportive resources including victim services
- Language access assistance
- Crisis response support
- Community response support

As of April 5, **CLU has assisted in 57 cases** YTD. These involve home invasions, homicides, TCIU related death accidents, assaults, elder abuse, robberies, burglaries, traffic collisions, and hate crimes.



# Engaging The Community

SFPD District Captains make every effort to engage their communities, following violent & hate crimes. These include reaching out through:

- Community Police Advisory Boards (CPABs)
- Social Media
- Commercial/Merchant Groups
- Tenant/Housing Groups
- Community Based Organizations (CBOs)

District operations are also modified to include more officer visibility, when appropriate, to walk the main corridors and engage the residents and merchants.







## Engaging Victims

All SFPD members are trained to provide victims of the community with appropriate resources and support, including:

- Information on their Marsy's Law rights
- Referral to the District Attorney's Victim Services Support
- Referral to the Department of Public Health Support

Officers receive training on biased free policing and procedural justice, are provided tools to better communicate with limited English-speaking individuals, such as Language Line solutions, communication pamphlets in multiple languages, and utilizing the assistance of bilingual certified officers.

# Language Capacity

Certified bilingual officers (five-core languages)	286
Bilingual officers (beyond five-core languages)	111
Certified civilian members	92
Bilingual civilian members	33
<b>TOTAL members</b>	<b>522</b>

## Our Department Represent Over 30 Languages:

American Sign Language, Arabic, Armenian, Basque, Cambodian, Cantonese, Danish, Fijian, French, Gaelic, German, Greek, Hindi, Ilonggo, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Mandarin, Polish, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Samoan, Spanish, Swedish, Syrian, Tagalog, Taishanese, Thai, Urdi, Vietnamese, Yugoslavian.

# Status of Investigations

**Homicide:** On January 30 on Anzavista Ave, a 84-year-old Thai male was walking when a suspect, without provocation, ran across the street and pushed victim to the ground. Victim fell and struck his head, and later died from his injuries.

- *Two individuals arrested; charges filed with District Attorney*

**Home Invasion/Robbery:** On February 16 on the 500 Block of Campbell two victims, an 87-year-old Asian female and an 81-year-old Asian male, were home when suspects rang their buzzer and used a rouse to get victims to open gate. The suspects entered, and pointed their firearm at the victim and forced their way in. The suspects went through drawers and closets and then fled the scene, firing a shot after they exited the premises.

- *One individual arrested; charges filed with District Attorney*

**Threatening/Harassing Phone Calls:** On March 18 on the unit block of Ross Alley, a 50-year-old Asian male and business owner in San Francisco, received threatening phone call on his personal phone. The calls were directed at him for being a member of the AAPI community.

- *Ongoing investigation. SID following leads.*

Thank you.

Any questions?

# San Francisco District Attorney's Office: Efforts to Serve and Support the AAPI Community

*District Attorney Chesa Boudin*

Public Safety and Neighborhood Services  
Committee Hearing

April 8, 2021





# Hate Crime Prosecutions



- SFDA Office has filed **6 hate crimes** in 2021 so far
  - 5/6 involved AAPI victims
    - One such AAPI victim was targeted based on sexual orientation
- Compares to 9 total hate crime cases charged in 2020
  - 3/9 had AAPI victims
    - One of the three AAPI victims was targeted for sexual orientation/gender identity

# Cultural Competence and Diversity at SFDA



## Language

- Members of SFDA staff fluent in at least 12 languages, including Cantonese, Mandarin, and Tagalog





# Cultural Competence and Diversity at SFDA

## Cultural competence and humility

- **Victim Advocates**
  - Ongoing trainings on cultural humility, working with BIPOC and vulnerable/marginalized groups, and crime survivors.
  - In 2020, staff participated in 1000 hours of ongoing professional development.
- **Attorneys**
  - Regular trainings on racial justice and equity, vulnerable victim's, Marsy's Law (victim's rights), victim's compensation and restitution.

# Cultural Competence and Diversity at SFDA



## Community Partnerships

- Community Coalition on Social Justice Workgroup with Community Youth Center, Chinese Progressive Association, Chinese for Affirmative Action, and New Breath Foundation
- CYC Partnership to support monolingual Chinese crime victims/survivors
- Restorative Justice Collaborative to repair the relationship between the AAPI and African American communities in San Francisco



# SFDA Approach to Victim Services

## Match

- Match clients with advocates based on language/culture and victimization type

## Assist

- Assist crime victims with the benefit process

## Explain

- Explain criminal justice process

## Attend

- Attend court hearings

## Connect

- Connect to other resources and community-based organizations



# SFDA Approach to Prosecuting Hate Crimes



## Specialized “vertical” Hate Crime Unit

- Assigned Hate Crime ADA with additional training on hate crimes, race and the law, and LGBTQ issues
- Assigned Hate Crime ADA reviews cases and prosecutes charged hate crimes

## Collaboration with SFPD

- Train SFPD on evidence required for hate crime prosecutions
- Prepared hate crime officer field guide to ensure officers collect necessary evidence to support hate crime charges
- Work closely with SFPD hate crime investigators/officers to support collection of necessary evidence

# SFDA Approach to Prosecuting Hate Crimes



## Staff Hate Crime Hotline

- Public hotline for community members to report hate crime incidents

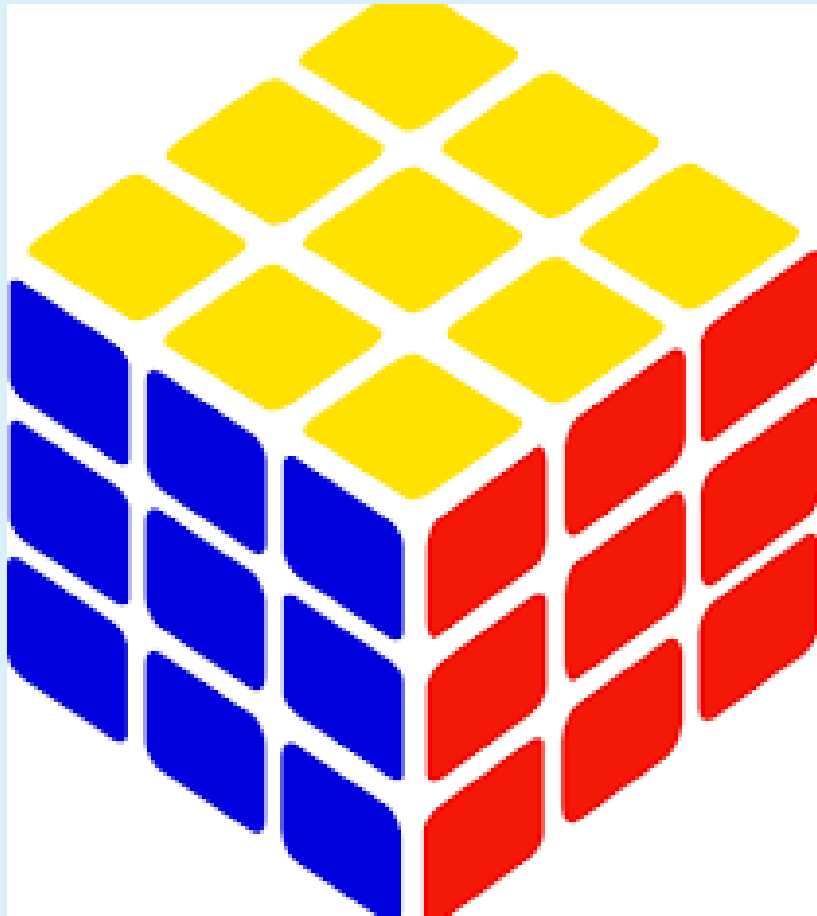
## Engage community

- Lead numerous trainings for the public to understand hate crimes and hate speech

## Partner with SFDA Victim Advocates

- Ensure victims understand criminal justice processes, are supported through investigations, court hearings, etc.





# Challenges and Gaps

## No dedicated funding stream

Limited  
resources

Funding only by  
grant

Time-consuming  
nature of grant  
applications

Minimal support  
for less common  
languages

# SFDA Budget Request for Victim Services

## Crime victim hotline

- To provide 24/7 help navigating criminal, legal, and social services available to victims of violent crime.

## 2 Victims Service “Credible Messengers”:

- Crime survivors who can help other victims/survivors navigate services, esp. victim/survivors with prior negative experiences with the criminal justice system

## Clinical social workers for Victims Services:

- Help address trauma and other needs

## Property Crime Advocates:

- Address the needs of thousands of property crime victims

## Emergency Victim Fund

- Help with costs not covered by CA Victim Compensation Board



## YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Honorable Mayor London Breed  
Honorable Members, Board of Supervisors

**CC:** Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
Alisa Somera, Legislative Deputy Director, Board of Supervisors  
De'Anthony Jones, Neighborhood Services Liaison, Mayor's Office  
Rebecca Peacock, Mayor's Government Affairs Team support  
Sophia Kittler, Mayor's Liaison to the Board of Supervisors  
Jenny Lam, Mayor's Education Advisor  
Legislative Aides, Board of Supervisors  
Maria Su, Executive Director, Department of Children Youth and Their Families  
Chief William Scott, SF Police Department  
Dr. Grant Colfax, Director, Department of Public Health  
Sheriff Paul Miyamoto, Sheriff's Department  
Deborah Raphael, Executive Director, Department of the Environment

**FROM:** 2020-2021 Youth Commission

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 16, 2021

**RE:** Four Youth Commission Actions from March 15, 2021: unanimous support for File No. 210042 [Hearing - Reimbursement Practices and Maximizing Funding - Youth and Family Mental Health Services]; no position for File No. 210156 [Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]; unanimous support for File No. 210215 [Appropriation - Property Tax - Department of Children, Youth and Their Families - \$15,000,000 - Summer Programming - FY2020-2021]; support the Department of Environment's Young Leaders in Climate Action Summit.

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At its virtual meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021, the Youth Commission took the following actions:

1. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support BOS File No. 210042 [Hearing - Reimbursement Practices and Maximizing Funding - Youth and Family Mental Health Services]. A record of their response, with recommendations, can be viewed in referral response no. 2021-RBM-09 ([PDF](#)) (attached).

The Youth Commissioners voted to include the following questions and recommendations:

**Questions:**

- how is cultural competency held? How will students of color know about this?
- What is the language access like?





### Recommendations:

- continue meetings with CBOS – especially Youth MOJO from Chinese Progressive Association
  - draw information and data from DCYF's Community Needs Assessments and OCOF's Child and Youth Friendly Initiative assessments
  - budget priorities be focused on:
    - cultural competency for BIPOC communities of color
    - educational outreach for youth mental health
    - funding for alternatives for different modes of therapy
    - funding for youth rights and redefining safety as a patient (meaning that youth rights are respected)
  - compensation programs for youth to attend therapy
  - engage SFUSD in the conversation
  - explore affinity groups
  - create sustainability of care post high school and funding alternatives in community clinics:
    - increase supports in institutions
    - bring in resources for expansion in community clinics and places that have mental health trainees
2. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to take no position on BOS File No. 210156 [Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]. A record of their response, with recommendations, can be viewed in referral response no. 2021-RBM-10 ([PDF](#)) (attached).

The sponsoring office was not available to speak on this piece of legislation and, without contextual information, the Youth Commission did not want to vote to support it or not support it. However, the Youth Commissioners voted to include the following questions and recommendations:

### Questions:

- what is the impact of AAPI hate crimes on youth specifically and will it be reported by SFPD in their quarterly reports in demographics of crime/data around Asian youth targeted by hate?
- What language accessible resources are departments providing victims who have faced violence?

### Recommendations:

- Regarding Mayor Breed's creation of anti-Asian Hate Crimes Taskforce - law enforcement should not be involved, and community organizations should be lead on prevention, resources, and trauma as law enforcement can exacerbate trauma; commit to it being community based intervention focused
- work with the 70+ Bay Area organizations that created the [three anti-Asian violence demands](#), and work with them to create action steps
- Utilize the [Stop AAPI Hate Report](#) that was made with SF youth and connect with them on these efforts



3. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support BOS File No. 210215 [Appropriation - Property Tax - Department of Children, Youth and Their Families - \$15,000,000 - Summer Programming - FY2020-2021]. A record of their response, with recommendations, can be viewed in referral response no. 2021-RBM-12 ([PDF](#)) (attached).

The Youth Commissioners understands this legislation focuses more on the movement of funds vs. the implementation of the funds, however, they voted to include the following questions, recommendations, and comments:

**Recommendations:**

- the follow up legislation be referred to the Youth Commission
  - the sponsoring office works with youth and community-based organizations to identify the needs for specific programming
  - engage youth for their input on the crank start
  - maintain and enforce the language accessibility piece of this funding/program roll out
  - in addition to language access, ensure that there is education around the reopening aspect, so communities feel safer to participate
4. Youth Commissioners unanimously voted to support the Department of Environment's Young Leaders in Climate Action Summit.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Youth Commissioners or Youth Commission staff (415) 554-6446 with any questions. Thank you.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: February 26, 2021

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Mar on February 9, 2021. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

**File No. 210156**

**Hearing to address concerns on crime and violence targeting Asian-American seniors and other vulnerable groups and the rise of anti-Asian racism, including crime prevention efforts, status of investigations, victim services programs, other public safety resources, and strategies the departments are deploying to reduce crime and violence targeting the Asian Pacific Islander and person of color communities and to promote cross-racial solidarity; and requesting the Police Department, Office of the District Attorney, Human Rights Commission, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Adult Probation Department, and Juvenile Probation Department to report.**

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION      Date: \_\_\_ March 15, 2021 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ No Comment  
\_X\_ Recommendation Attached

  
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## YOUTH COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee  
**FROM:** Youth Commission  
**DATE:** Tuesday, March 16, 2021  
**RE:** Referral response to BOS File No. 210156 - [Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]

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At our **Monday, March 15, 2021, meeting**, the Youth Commission voted to support the following motion:

**To unanimously take no position on BOS File No. 210156 - [Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]**

The sponsoring office was not available to speak on this piece of legislation and, without contextual information, the Youth Commission did not want to vote to support or oppose. However, the Youth Commissioners voted to include the following questions and recommendations:

**Questions:**

- what is the impact of AAPI hate crimes on youth specifically and will it be reported by SFPD in their quarterly reports in demographics of crime/data around Asian youth targeted by hate?
- What language accessible resources are departments providing victims who have faced violence?

**Recommendations:**

- Create an anti-Asian Hate Crimes Taskforce but law enforcement should not be involved and community organizations should be lead on prevention, resources, and trauma as law enforcement can exacerbate trauma; commit to it being community based intervention focused
- work with the 70+ Bay Area organizations that created the [three anti-Asian violence demands](#), and work with them to create action steps
- Utilize the [Stop AAPI Hate Report](#) that was made with SF youth and connect with them on these efforts

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Youth Commissioners thank the Board of Supervisors for their attention to this issue. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (415) 554-6446, or your Youth Commissioner.

*Nora Hylton*

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Nora Hylton, Chair  
Adopted on March 15, 2021  
2020-2021 San Francisco Youth Commission



1 [Anti-Asian Hate Crimes - Multiracial Community Health and Safety]

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3 **Resolution urging the City and County of San Francisco to take action on anti-Asian**  
4 **hate crimes and invest in multiracial community health and safety.**

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6 WHEREAS, Racial discrimination and violence are pervasive and persisting challenges  
7 for San Francisco and society as a whole, rooted deeply at an interpersonal and institutional  
8 level; and

9 WHEREAS, Combatting racism requires active resistance at both the community  
10 organizing and legislative levels; and

11 WHEREAS, Anti-Asian sentiment did not start with the COVID-19 pandemic, but rather  
12 has been exacerbated and increased in these circumstances; and

13 WHEREAS, The existence of anti-Asian legislation and anti-Asian sentiment from  
14 government leaders has been historically prevalent in the United States from the Chinese  
15 Exclusion Act in the 1880s to Japanese Internment in the mid-1900s and leaders calling the  
16 COVID-19 virus a “Chinese virus” today; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1982, Vincent Chin, a 27-year-old Chinese-American man, was  
18 murdered in Detroit by two white men, who both received no prison time, demonstrating the  
19 institutional racism rooted in our criminal justice system; and

20 WHEREAS, In the 1960s, Asian-American students rallied alongside Black student  
21 organizers and other Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (“BIPOC”) as part of the Third  
22 World Liberation Front to fight for equal education opportunities and ethnic studies at UC  
23 Berkeley and San Francisco State University; and

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1           WHEREAS, Asian-American activists like Yuri Kochiyama and Grace Lee Boggs fought  
2 for Black social justice movements and pulled insights from Black radical frameworks for  
3 Asian liberation; and

4           WHEREAS, San Francisco has a large Asian population at 34.4% compared to 5.9%  
5 nationally; and

6           WHEREAS, Asian restaurants and businesses especially in Chinatowns have been  
7 disproportionately affected by the economic downturn of the pandemic due to stigmatization,  
8 with 22% of all small business-owner activity declining from February to April 2020, but 26%  
9 of Asian-American small business-owner activity declining according to the National Bureau of  
10 Economic Research; and

11           WHEREAS, According to the San Francisco Police Department’s (“SFPD”) definition, a  
12 hate crime is a “criminal act or attempted criminal act”, based on the victim’s “actual or  
13 perceived race, nationality, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or gender”; and

14           WHEREAS, There have been 2,583 reports of anti-Asian incidents throughout 47  
15 states across the United States exclusively from March 2020 to May 2020, with California  
16 reporting 46% of the incidents, according to Stop AAPI Hate, a nationwide reporting center on  
17 anti-Asian crime and discrimination; and

18           WHEREAS, There have been more than 3,000 hate incidents around the United States  
19 reported on the Asian Americans Advancing Justice self-reporting system since late April  
20 2020; and

21           WHEREAS, Last year, violent incidents towards Asian-Americans include but are not  
22 limited to Jonathan Mok, a 23-year-old Singaporean student who was beat up in London, a  
23 39-year-old Asian woman splashed with acid in New York, and an elderly Asian man attacked  
24 while collecting cans in San Francisco; and

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1           WHEREAS, Recent acts of violence towards Asian-Americans and elderly Asian-  
2 Americans, many of which are in the Bay Area, include but are not limited to the murder of  
3 Vicha Ratanapakdee, 84-year-old Thai man, in San Francisco, attacks on 3 elderly people  
4 alongside 20 other instances in Oakland’s Chinatown within one week, assault and robbery of  
5 a 64-year-old Vietnamese grandmother in San Jose, and slashing of Noel Quintana, a 61-  
6 year-old Filipino man, in New York City; and

7           WHEREAS, There have been numerous acts of hostility and vandalism towards  
8 symbolic monuments for Asian communities such as San Jose’s Japantown granite  
9 monument, Lunar New Year statue in downtown San Francisco, and cherry blossom trees in  
10 San Francisco’s Japantown; and

11           WHEREAS, Violence towards Asian-Americans and other BIPOC communities has  
12 been upheld and exacerbated by law enforcement, as demonstrated with how Christian Hall,  
13 a 19-year-old Chinese-American male, was fatally shot by Pennsylvania State Police seven  
14 times after they were called to assist him with a mental health crisis in December 2020; and

15           WHEREAS, Asian hate crimes in Bay Area and nationally have incited fear, stress, and  
16 anxiety for Asian-Americans particularly in the time around Lunar New Year, a time of  
17 celebration and reunion; and

18           WHEREAS, Over 70 Asian organizations across the Bay Area joined together to  
19 demand San Francisco, Oakland, and Bay Area leadership to take action condemning and  
20 preventing violence towards Asian community members and made clear that an over-reliance  
21 on law enforcement approaches has largely been ineffective and has been disproportionately  
22 harmful to Black communities and other communities of color; and

23           WHEREAS, Cities like New York and Alameda have established anti-Asian hate crime  
24 task forces in response to the increase in anti-Asian crime; and

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1           WHEREAS, Mayor Breed and Ivy Lee, Criminal Justice Policy Advisor, claimed they  
2 were in discussion with Assemblymember David Chiu and the SFPD to implement an Asian  
3 hate crime task force back in September 2020; and

4           WHEREAS, One in seven (14%) of those who reported anti-Asian crime and  
5 discrimination to Stop AAPI Hate were young people under 20 years old; and

6           WHEREAS, A study conducted by the Stop AAPI (Asian-American Pacific Islander)  
7 Hate Youth Campaign found that 1 in 4 young Asian Americans under 20 years old have  
8 personally experienced anti-Asian hate amid the COVID-19 pandemic; and

9           WHEREAS, Elderly and young people experience ageism in similar ways and face  
10 greater discrimination and therefore require more community support and community  
11 resources for situations of violence, discrimination, and grief; and

12           WHEREAS, The Black Lives Matter movement have taught us all lessons on justice  
13 and accountability when there is little to no justice or accountability to be found in the same  
14 criminal legal system and policing apparatus that killed George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and  
15 Christian Hall; and

16           WHEREAS, Intersectional anti-racism work is not transactional, and allyship with Black  
17 people and other BIPOC communities does not divert attention from aiding Asian  
18 communities, so BIPOC must work together towards our collective liberation by dismantling  
19 systems that uphold white supremacy; and

20           WHEREAS, Fighting against anti-Asian sentiment encompasses collaboration with  
21 Black, Indigenous, Latine, and Pacific Islander communities to find long-term solutions to stop  
22 systemic racism, xenophobia, and violence in all our communities; and

23           WHEREAS, As set forth in Youth Commission File No. 1920-AL-13, Urging the  
24 Defunding of SFPD and Investment in Community Health and Safety, the Youth Commission  
25 has previously urged Mayor Breed and Board of Supervisors to cut the SFPD's budget by at

1 least 50%, with 25% of those cuts going towards a “Community and People Budget” set aside  
2 for social and community-centered services; and

3 WHEREAS, The Youth Commission presented to the Police Commission with the  
4 recommendation to cut SFPD’s budget, but the Police Commission did not follow this  
5 recommendation; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission condemns racially-motivated attacks against  
7 the Asian community in the Bay Area, nationally, and globally, and supports the healing of  
8 pain and grief Asian communities feel in light of recent events; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission understands that the police  
10 violence that killed George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Christian Hall to be systemic, and that  
11 the Youth Commission acknowledges that our collective response must also be systemic in  
12 nature to transform the systems that produce and reproduce harm and violence; and, be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission supports recent Asian community  
14 safety rallies and cross-cultural healing events such as the “Love Our People, Heal Our  
15 Communities” Coalition for Community Safety and Justice’s Days of Action on February 13  
16 and 14 in San Francisco and Oakland; and, be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission stands with and signs onto the  
18 demands of over 70 Asian community organizations for San Francisco and Oakland  
19 leadership to:

20 1) Ensure victims and survivors of all backgrounds and language abilities  
21 receive full supportive services so they can recover and heal,

22 2) Expand intervention- and prevention-based programs and invest in basic  
23 needs and community-based infrastructure that we know will end the cycle of violence  
24 and keep all of us safer, and

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1                   3) Resource cross-community education and healing in Asian American and  
2                   Black communities that humanizes all of us rather than demonizes or scapegoats any  
3                   community of color”; and, be it

4                   FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Mayor and Board of  
5                   Supervisors to follow the Youth Commission’s recommendations, as set forth in YC File  
6                   No.1920-AL-13, to cut SFPD’s budget by 50% and invest part of the 25% “Community and  
7                   People Budget” towards community intervention- and prevention-based services in response  
8                   to violence; and, be it

9                   FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Mayor’s Office of  
10                  Violence Prevention to use its Street Violence Intervention Program (“SVIP”) as one way to  
11                  provide community intervention and prevention-based responses to de-escalating violent  
12                  encounters without increased reliance on law enforcement, to provide escorts for elderly  
13                  Asians to help them feel safer, and to organize workshops that bring community members  
14                  together to plan solutions and promote cross-racial education, dialogue, and solidarity; and,  
15                  be it

16                  FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Mayor’s Office to  
17                  deliver on their discussion to create an Asian Hate Crime Task Force not under SFPD, but  
18                  working alongside the SVIP, including community members who speak Asian languages to  
19                  build trust and support when engaging with crime victims; and, be it

20                  FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges District Attorney Chesa  
21                  Boudin’s office to favor restorative justice over criminal charges when dealing with  
22                  perpetrators; and, be it

23                  FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Department of  
24                  Children, Youth and their Families and the Department of Public Health to fund community-  
25                  based organizations, such as Chinese for Affirmative Action, Asian Pacific American

1 Community Center, and Community Youth Center of San Francisco, which provide mental  
2 health resources, social services, and legal assistance to the Asian community, especially  
3 those who do not speak English as their first language; and, be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges SFPD to only get involved  
5 if necessary to properly and legally assist survivors of anti-Asian hate crimes in filing a police  
6 report, get mental health and medical care especially for elderly and disabled survivors, and  
7 connect them with culturally-competent and language-accessible resources to minimize  
8 miscommunication and trauma; and, be it

9 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the San Francisco  
10 Department of Police Accountability to ensure SFPD supports all survivors of Asian hate  
11 crimes according to laws and regulations; and, be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Youth Commission urges the Mayor and Board of  
13 Supervisors to take action following the hearing contained in BOS File No. 210156, on Crime  
14 and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors, by meeting the demands of the Bay Area  
15 Asian organizations and passing a resolution condemning anti-Asian hate crimes and  
16 supporting victims' families, ensuring culturally-competent and language-accessible resources  
17 for all communities, and expanding community intervention- and prevention-based programs  
18 over law enforcement.

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Nora Hylton, Chair  
Adopted on February 22, 2021  
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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Kiely Hosmon, Director, Youth Commission

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: February 26, 2021

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE MATTER INTRODUCED

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The Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Mar on February 9, 2021. This item is being referred for comment and recommendation.

**File No. 210156**

**Hearing to address concerns on crime and violence targeting Asian-American seniors and other vulnerable groups and the rise of anti-Asian racism, including crime prevention efforts, status of investigations, victim services programs, other public safety resources, and strategies the departments are deploying to reduce crime and violence targeting the Asian Pacific Islander and person of color communities and to promote cross-racial solidarity; and requesting the Police Department, Office of the District Attorney, Human Rights Commission, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Adult Probation Department, and Juvenile Probation Department to report.**

Please return this cover sheet with the Commission's response to John Carroll, Assistant Clerk, Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee.

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RESPONSE FROM YOUTH COMMISSION      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

No Comment  
 Recommendation Attached

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Chairperson, Youth Commission

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: William Scott, Police Chief  
Chesa Boudin, District Attorney  
Sheryl Evans Davis, Director, Human Rights Commission  
Adrienne Pon, Executive Director, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs  
Karen L. Fletcher, Chief Adult Probation Officer  
Chief Katherine Miller, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer

FROM: John Carroll, Assistant Clerk,  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee

DATE: February 16, 2021

SUBJECT: HEARING MATTER INTRODUCED

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The San Francisco Board of Supervisors' Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee has received the following hearing request, introduced by Supervisor Mar on February 9, 2021:

**File No. 210156**

**Hearing to address concerns on crime and violence targeting Asian-American seniors and other vulnerable groups and the rise of anti-Asian racism, including crime prevention efforts, status of investigations, victim services programs, other public safety resources, and strategies the departments are deploying to reduce crime and violence targeting the Asian Pacific Islander and person of color communities and to promote cross-racial solidarity; and requesting the Police Department, Office of the District Attorney, Human Rights Commission, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs, Adult Probation Department, and Juvenile Probation Department to report.**

If you have any comments or reports to be included with the file, please forward them to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

C:  
Office of Chair Mar  
Rowena Carr, Police Department  
Lili Gamero, Police Department  
Diana Oliva-Aroche, Police Department  
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Tera Anderson, Office of the District Attorney  
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**From:** [Tamari Hedani](#)  
**To:** [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Shawna Reeves](#); [Rowena Fontanos](#)  
**Subject:** BOS Written Comment re: Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 2:58:30 PM  
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Hello Clerk John Carroll,

I am submitting my public comment as this meeting is running a bit long and I have other appointments.

Official written comment:

I am Tamari Hedani and I am speaking as a 4th generation San Franciscan, the Associate Director of the Elder Abuse Prevention Program at the Institute on Aging and member of the SF Family Violence Council.

My team and I, too, have been alarmed and disturbed by the increase of attacks on the AAPI community, especially of older adults. We are doing our best to work with our community and city partners, including Adult Protective Services, SFPD, and the DA's office, to ensure services are being coordinated across agencies and promoting existing resources and materials, especially in-language.

We urge you to invest in existing grassroots and community organizations that are already supporting and serving the AAPI and older adult community with strained and limited resources. They have been so impressive at ramping up to respond and adjust to their client's needs throughout shelter-in-place and now with the increase of hate incidences and attacks against AAPI and AAPI older adults.

We must remain mindful to take action to advocate for vulnerable communities without continuing to marginalize others. For example, increasing surveillance and law enforcement presence can exacerbate situations and may cause more inadvertent harm for certain communities. And with all of the progress we have made from last summer, we aim to continue our anti-racism work, intentionally standing in cross-racial solidarity, and commit to check that our work in advocating for the AAPI community does not increase anti-blackness sentiments or discrimination against other communities.

We are currently working on a community-based project aimed to promote inclusion and fight all harassment in San Francisco for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in June and will be reaching out to you all soon. Thank you.

**Tamari Hedani, MPH**

Associate Director, Elder Abuse Prevention Program



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**From:** [Estrada, Itzel \(BOS\)](#)  
**To:** [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment for PSNS on [Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors]  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 1:09:18 PM

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Hi John,

Unfortunately, I must log off the hearing now for another meeting, so I will not be able to give my verbal comment. Below is my written submission for my public comment on this hearing:

- Hello supervisors, my name is Itzel Estrada, staff at the YC, and D5 resident. I am calling on behalf of Commissioners who couldn't make it to today's because they are in class. Thank you again for calling this hearing and providing a platform for our AAPI community to vocalize their needs. On February 22, the YC passed a resolution urging the BOS + Mayor to address Anti-Asian Hate Crimes. The YC would like to urge you all to create an Asian Hate Crime Task Force. Not through SFPD, but through its Street Violence Intervention Program. We urge City Depts to follow the lead of CBOs who work directly with the AAPI communities and fund them to continue providing aide and support to their communities. Funding for mental health, social, and legal services that are culturally and linguistically competent is extremely important in meeting the needs of the AAPI community.

Thak you!

Best,  
Itzel

**From:** [Valerie Luu](#)  
**To:** [Beinart, Amy \(BOS\)](#); [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public comment for PSNS Committee 4/8  
**Date:** Thursday, April 8, 2021 9:45:02 AM

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Hello,

We are not able to attend the meeting today and would appreciate your help adding the following merchant testimonial to public comment.

Thank you for holding this hearing on a matter that affects business and property owners.

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From Jack Tse, owner of Ramen House at 2623 San Bruno Ave in the Portola:

I received citations multiple times, but cleaned it up before it was fined. The City should find solutions on how to prevent the graffiti instead. Most of the owners want to keep their buildings clean. Is there any punishment for the people who do graffiti? The person who did the graffiti should be fined, not the owner.

I think the proposal to suspend graffiti citations is good. I find that graffiti is more present in Asian communities like Chinatown and San Bruno Avenue. Why is there more graffiti there? I think Asian communities are more targeted for graffiti. San Bruno Avenue has more graffiti than Third Street. What's the reason for this? Who is doing the graffiti?

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Best,

Valerie

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**Valerie Luu, Corridor Manager**

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**From:** [Ashley Renick](#)  
**To:** [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment re: Hearing - Crime and Violence Targeting Asian-American Seniors  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 7, 2021 12:35:46 PM  
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Dear Mr. John Carroll,

I hope this email finds you well. Please see below (and attached) for a statement from the San Francisco Family Resource Center Alliance regarding the crime and violence targeting Asian-American seniors. We'd like to submit this statement for public comment for the upcoming hearing scheduled for the Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee meeting on Thursday, April 8.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Best,  
Ashley Renick



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**To:** [BOS-Supervisors](#)  
**Cc:** [Calvillo, Angela \(BOS\)](#); [Somera, Alisa \(BOS\)](#); [Ng, Wilson \(BOS\)](#); [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: URGENT! ANTI ASIAN VIOLENCE MUST BE STOPPED  
**Date:** Thursday, March 4, 2021 10:00:05 AM

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From: Mabel Green <mnmplusone@gmail.com>  
Sent: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 10:49 PM  
To: Breed, Mayor London (MYR) <mayorlondonbreed@sfgov.org>  
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Subject: URGENT! ANTI ASIAN VIOLENCE MUST BE STOPPED

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Mayor Breed,

I am a full supporter of yours and have been since before Mayor Lee passed. I'm begging you to do more to stop the violence against Asian Americans in the Bay Area. If you don't take more aggressive action NOW, this is going to become a full blown race war. Asians are going to feel that their biases against African Americans will be validated and the racial divide will grow.

I have lived in the Bay Area all my life and it's always been a melting pot of great diversity. Now it's blacks against Asians. This is not going to end well if you don't do more. More cops on foot. Offer more support to volunteer organizations in Chinatown. Hotlines to call. Create a task force. Anything!

I implore all of you to step up your game and do more for the citizens that got you where you are. If you don't take action, the Asian community may be forced to respond by retaliation rather than reason. I don't want to see this great city go down the toilet.

Signed,  
Frustrated Bay Area Resident

# Introduction Form

By a Member of the Board of Supervisors or Mayor

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I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

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