Asian Pacific Institute on Gender-Based Violence

Our vision of gender democracy for Asians and Pacific Islanders is foundational to our mission to strengthen culturally-specific advocacy, influence systems change, impact public policy and engage in movement building and community transformation to prevent gender violence.

Programs | Our Work

- **Resource Center on Gender-Based Violence in Asian & Pacific Islander Communities** analyzes critical issues/trends in domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, abusive international marriages, elder abuse, etc.; builds capacity for trauma-informed, culturally-responsive, evidence-informed intervention and prevention for immigrant/refugee survivors; provides consultation, technical assistance, and training; develops cutting-edge reports and resources; and conducts, curates and disseminates research.

- **Advocacy for Immigrant Survivors** engages in policy analysis at national, state and local levels to assert the legal rights and protections available to survivors with stable and unstable immigration status; mitigate barriers caused by increased enforcement and penalties; and enhance safety planning given policy changes on harboring, public charge, ICE detention, deportation.

- **Language Access: Interpretation Technical Assistance & Resource Center** trains advocates, judges, attorneys, sign/spoken language interpreters, law enforcement, attorneys, social service providers, state coalitions and administrators on the development, compliance and implementation of language access plans; and interpreting for domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking victims with limited English proficiency.

- **ARP Support for Survivors of DV/SA from Culturally Specific Populations Grant Program** supports culturally specific community-based organizations in providing culturally specific activities that address the emergent needs of survivors and promote strategic partnership development and collaboration in responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

- **Movement | Network Building Initiatives** support national/local API leaders, survivors, advocates, policy makers, and activists to address the impacts of gender-based violence and patriarchal and homophobic community norms on the well-being of API communities, families and individuals.

Critical Issues

- Child Custody and Child Welfare
- COVID-19 Related Impacts
- Criminal Legal System Responses to Survivors
- Domestic Violence and Family Violence
- Elder Abuse
- Faith-Based Engagement
- Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting
- Forced Marriage
- Homicide by Intimates & Family Members
- Housing and Economic Security
- Language Access, Interpretation, Translation
- LGBTQ API Communities & Gender Violence
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse
- Organization Capacity, Funding, and Sustainability
- Safety Planning for Immigrant Survivors
- Sexual Violence and Harassment
- Trafficking: Domestic and International
- Trauma-Informed Intervention
- Violence Prevention
- Youth

Publications

- Centering AANHPI Survivors: Recommendations for Campus and Title IX Administrators
- Consent | Exploring Cultural Contexts in AANHPI Communities
- COVID-19 | How Systemic Responses Impact API Survivors of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- Fact Sheets | Reports on Gender-Based Violence Affecting Filipinos, Pacific Islanders, Muslims, South Asians, etc.
- Faith-Based Partnerships Tipsheet
- Immigration and Public Charge Advisories, FAQs, and Factsheets
- Lifetime Spiral of Gender Violence
- Pasifika Power & Control Wheel Translation Project and Community Reports
- Resource Guide & Tip Sheets on Interpretation Services for Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Victims
- Shattered Lives: Homicides, Domestic Violence and Asian Families
- Trafficking: Considerations & Recommendations on Trauma-Informed Advocacy for Survivors