



# Marshallese Educational Initiative

Springdale, AR

<https://www.mei.ngo>

The Marshallese Educational Initiative is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization located in Springdale, Arkansas, where the highest concentration of Marshallese reside outside of the Islands. We help community members navigate life in Arkansas and the US. We promote educational attainment, and, through arts and humanities programming, we promote Marshallese traditional culture. We offer programs that empower women, youth, and elders, and we advocate for social, environmental, and nuclear justice for all Marshallese people. As an intercultural organization, we actively facilitate dialogue among diverse communities to foster positive social change.



# **Guma' Mami, Inc.**

Sinajana, Guam

<https://www.gumamami.net/>

Guma' Mami, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing supports and services for individuals with disabilities and their families in the United States Territory of Guam. With its mission to facilitate the full inclusion and integration of individuals with disabilities into their communities through dignified, compassionate individual and family support with an increased focus on individual rights and the richness of cultural diversity, Guma' Mami currently operates a residential program, an enrichment and drop-in center, and a sexual assault and domestic violence program.



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## **Ai Acupuncture**

Benicia, CA

[www.aiacupuncture.com](http://www.aiacupuncture.com)

Ai Acupuncture serves the Bay Area, California providing wellness treatments based in East Asian medicine. We provide one-on-one and group treatments, using a variety of therapeutic modalities to address both individual and collective concerns and needs. We use a holistic approach, with the goal of bringing balance to the mental, emotional, spiritual, and physical parts of ourselves, as they are all interrelated. By incorporating the ancient wisdom of our ancestors, Ai Acupuncture aims to help improve health and well-being within our communities and beyond.



## **Moving Rasa**

New York, NY

[www.movingrasa.com](http://www.movingrasa.com)

Moving Rasa supports people to boldly explore life through movement improvisation within the contexts of socio-political realities, the physical environment, interpersonal relationships, and their internal worlds. These journeys are facilitated with the trauma-informed movement form also named Moving Rasa. Since 2015, we have worked with several populations and organizations and focus on BIPOC across age, ability and gender.

Rasa, the Indonesian word for essence, describes this Southeast Asian American Somatic form that weaves together Western somatics with indigenous Indonesian philosophy. Moving Rasa lives at the nexus of movement, awareness, emotional wellbeing and healing; transforming oppression individually and collectively.



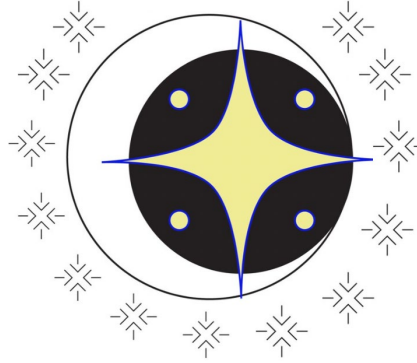
**Sahiyo**

Cambridge, MA

<https://sahiyo.org/>

Sahiyo formed in 2015 as an advocacy collective of South Asian and other survivors of female genital cutting (FGC), also known as female genital mutilation, to address the lack of acknowledgment around FGC as a global form of gender-based violence and child abuse. We empower communities left out of the discourse on FGC to create systemic change and abandon this centuries-long practice. We utilize collaborative grassroots campaigns and storytelling techniques to train members of FGC practicing communities to lead in demanding widespread abandonment, work with frontline professionals (i.e. healthcare providers) to create culturally sensitive systems of care for survivors, and partner with government officials to address policy-level change.

**OUR MEDICINE IS RESISTANCE**



# **Our Medicine is Resistance**

Santa Cruz, CA

Our Medicine is Resistance: Our purpose is to make ancestral medicines accessible for sisters seeking a decolonial, anti-patriarchal safe space consecrated to Sagrada Femenina. We strive for wholeness and building a community that is allowed to call upon one another as an antidote to self-estrangement, movement estrangement, and land estrangement. We do this by reviving our grandmother's medicine practices and sharing medicines whether that be a safe container that is survivor-centered, plant/herbal medicines, song, ceremony, art, political education, one-on-one support or the practice of sanctuary.



# **AF3IRM (Association of Feminists Fighting Facism, Imperialism, Refeudalization and Marginalization)**

Los Angeles, CA

<https://af3irm.org/>

AF3IRM is an organization of women engaged in transnational feminist, anti-imperialist activism and dedicated to the fight against oppression in all its forms. AF3IRM's diverse, multi-ethnic membership is committed to militant movement-building from the United States and effects change through grassroots organizing, trans-ethnic alliance building, education, advocacy and direct action.

With the slogan "a woman's place is at the head of the struggle," AF3IRM is an all-volunteer, grassroots organization whose members recognize the intersectionality of their struggles and the absolute necessity of women's revolutionary resistance.



TRANSFORMING  
GENERATIONS

## Transforming Generations

Saint Paul, MN

<https://www.transforminggenerations.org/>

The **mission** of Transforming Generations is to organize, educate and transform cultural and power dynamics to end gender-based violence. Transforming Generations **vision** is to create a just world where gender equity is the norm and violence is not accepted.

Major programming that Transforming Generations provide include direct victim/survivor advocacy services; Hmong men's program; youth SA/DV violence prevention and intervention program; mental health therapy; school based culturally specific healing programming; LGBTQ healing support group and leadership development.





Bronx, NY

<https://www.laalnyc.org/>

Laal was founded in 2018 in direct response to the lack of limited spaces and resources available to Bangladeshi women in the Bronx. Laal's mission is to provide resources that Bangladeshi women need to live healthy, engaged, and joyful lives. All of Laal's programs are data-backed and research-focused to address the unique challenges faced by Bangladeshi women in Norwood, the Bronx, one of the fastest-growing Bangladeshi communities in the US. Through programming and resources, Laal aims to create an active community of women who can empower themselves and one another through direct action and deliberative dialogue.



# Noor Family Services Corporation

Suwanee, GA

<https://noorfamilyservices.org/>

Founded in 2015, Noor Family Services is a culturally-specific victim and legal assistance nonprofit serving refugee and immigrant domestic violence victims in metro Atlanta.

The agency has made inroads into the most under-represented communities by making connections and establishing relationships with social service organizations and community leaders. Victim and survivor services include referrals to safety and shelter services, legal assistance and representation, financial and supportive services, community education and awareness workshops, and training programs to partner agencies. The agency has served more than 1,500 individuals since agency inception.



**API Chaya**

Supporting Survivors  
Cultivating Healing

Building Accountable Communities

**API Chaya**

Seattle, WA

<https://www.apichaya.org/>

API Chaya empowers survivors of gender-based violence and human trafficking to gain safety, connection, and wellness. We build power by educating and mobilizing South Asian, Asian, Pacific Islander, and all immigrant communities to end exploitation, creating a world where all people can heal and thrive. API Chaya envisions a just and equitable world free of violence and oppression. We do our work with an understanding of the cultural norms and stigmas associated with such violence and believe in the inherent strength and potential of our communities to facilitate this change.



# Victim Advocates Reaching Out

Hagatna, Guam

<https://www.varoguam.org/>

Victim Advocates Reaching Out (VARO) has a mission to provide crisis intervention and advocacy to primary and secondary victims of violent crimes and traumatic events; community education on related issues, and necessary related service projects or programs. VARO is a nonprofit corporation on Guam that assists victim/survivors of crimes, primarily victim/survivors of family violence and sexual assault. Services include emergency shelter, meals, and transportation, crisis intervention (crisis hotline and emotional support) safety planning, and safe places for sexual assault survivors. Services are delivered by paid staff and volunteers.



# Center for Pacific and Asian Communities

Honolulu, HI

The Center for Pacific and Asian Communities (CPAC) is a new entity whose work is dedicated to meeting the needs of survivors of Pacific, Indigenous and Asian cultures. It is the first community-based effort in Hawaii to exclusively recognize, honor and serve the unique needs of these communities. It is the goal of the Center to broaden outreach, education and understanding of family violence to Improve and strengthen the system response, while engaging with other community organizations working in service to Pacific, Indigenous and Asian communities.

CPAC is an attached entity, and fiscally sponsored by the Domestic Violence Action Center, incorporated in 2022.



# Awaaz

San Antonio, TX

<https://www.awaazsa.org/>

Awaaz (Voice) is a 501(c)(3) designated nonprofit organization that was founded in 2011 and supports the 1.3 million South Asians living in South Texas affected by family violence. Services offered by Awaaz include confidential assistance and referral through the organization's helpline, cultural education and community outreach to educate the public on ways to promote healthy relationships and reduce family and Intimate Partner violence. We work closely with local and national DV organizations such as the Family violence prevention Services of SA, Family Justice Center, the Texas Rio Grande Legal Services; we network regularly with state and national IPV organizations.



# **Pennsylvania Immigrant & Refugee Women's Network**

Harrisburg, PA

<https://www.pairwn.org/>

The Pennsylvania Immigrant & Refugee Women's Network (PAIRWN) was founded in 2001 when ten women from diverse backgrounds came together to assist one another in taking leadership roles within their communities. They saw a need for newly arriving women in the US to gain skills and self-confidence for a successful transition to a new life.

Twenty-one years from its founding, PAIRWN tirelessly endeavors to achieve its mission of referring, advocating, networking, educating, and empowering women refugees, and immigrants to live to their fullest potential, while concurrently educating American society about their cultures and contributions made by them to their communities. Its work is multidisciplinary and multigenerational to accommodate all ages of people from all areas of the world.



# California HMong Advocates Network and Building Our Future

Mariposa, CA

<http://alliance4community.org/chan-bof/>

California HMong Advocates Network (CHAN) and the Building Our Future (BOF) community campaign, merged to form California's first state-wide collaborative led by Hmong community advocates, leaders, and community members. CHAN-BOF for Peace Collaborative envisions a community where youth, women, Queer and Trans folks and their families are healthy, free from violence, and thrive from generation to generation. We build movement towards ending gender-based violence by shifting cultural norms in the Hmong and underserved communities. Our values are: Gender Equity-Dismantle Patriarchy, Survivor-Centered, Collective Leadership, Queer & Trans Justice.





# **Ethnic Minorities of Burma Advocacy and Resource Center**

Des Moines, IA

<https://www.embarciowa.org/>

The Ethnic Minorities of Burma Advocacy and Resource Center (EMBARC) was founded in 2012 by refugees based on the belief that sustainable change comes from a community empowered to help themselves. As Iowa's first and only refugee-led service organization, EMBARC grows leaders and empowers refugees to expand their world of possibilities through advocacy, education, and community development throughout Iowa. The main culturally specific programs of EMBARC include Parent Navigator Program, Crisis and Advocacy Program, Education Program, and the only social enterprise called Interpreting Service. EMBARC uses different social platforms such as Website, Facebook, YouTube, and LinkedIn.



# ManForward

Saint Paul, MN

<https://www.man-forward.org/>

ManForward started in 2010 as a space for Asian American men folks in the Twin Cities to discuss and build community in healthier ways. It was clear that there were few spaces where Asian American men could discuss the impact of family violence; interpersonal violence; gender-based violence and societal violence on their lives. Those unaddressed violence strongly shaped and correlated to their concepts and ideas of manhood and masculinity. We realized that education and awareness about sexism, homophobia, transphobia, etc. was not enough to address the gaps and nuances of these issues. This led us to intentionally design spaces and relationships where male folks could get support safely; open up vulnerably; seek advice from other men; learn healing practices; be in restorative circle processes.



# **Effective Planning & Innovative Communication (Epic 'Ohana)**

Honolulu, HI

<https://www.epicohana.org/>

Effective Planning & Innovative Communication (Epic 'Ohana) was founded to bring family group decision-making to families in the child welfare system (CWS) in Hawaii. More than half of the families we serve are engaged with CWS due to domestic violence. More than half of the families we serve identify as either Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander, or Asian American. The Pu'uhonua 'o ka Ululehua program provides cultural services to survivors and dependents experiencing DV with a focus on Native Hawaiians. This program utilizes Hawaiian methods of peace, safety, and healing to provide a survivor-centered, holistic and culturally appropriate space for healing.



**Kiran**

Raleigh, NC

<https://www.kiraninc.org/>

Kiran's mission is to end the cycle of abuse and to serve and empower South Asian victims of domestic violence in North Carolina by providing culturally specific services and comprehensive economic, social and community resources to attain self-sufficiency. Kiran's vision is to empower victims and survivors by providing access to not mere crisis counseling, but also information, education and other necessary social and economic support that best suits the individual's needs. Kiran's values lie in understanding diversity, violence prevention, empowerment, promoting healthy and non-violent relationships, commitment to social change, professionalism and equity.



WOMEN FOR  
AFGHAN WOMEN

## **Women for Afghan Women**

Flushing, NY

<https://womenforafghanwomen.org/>

Women for Afghan Women (WAW) is a grassroots civil society organization dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights of disenfranchised Afghan women and girls in Afghanistan and the United States. In particular, WAW works to help Afghan women and girls exercise their rights to pursue their individual potential for self-determination, and representation in all areas of life—political, social, cultural, and economic. WAW relentlessly advocates for women’s rights and challenges the norms that underpin gender-based violence to influence attitudes and bring about change.



# **Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project**

Washington DC

<https://www.dvrp.org/>

Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project (A/PI DVRP) supports and mobilizes Asian/Pacific Islanders to build safer communities by responding to harm and striving to end gender and power-based violence. Since 1995, DVRP has been at the forefront of providing culturally competent, trauma-informed, and survivor-centered services for A/PI survivors in Washington D.C., Maryland, Virginia, and beyond. DVRP's values and guiding principles include: a commitment to our community and to survivors; empathy to each other and to clients; a justice based anti-oppression framework in which we do our work; centering our community and developing safety within our community; and collective liberation for all.



# United Territories Of Pacific Islanders Alliance - Washington

Kent, WA

<https://utopiawa.org/>

Founded in 2009, UTOPIA Washington is the largest trans-led and run organization in the Pacific Northwest serving the 2SLGBTQIA and BIPOC communities of Washington State. We are a Pasifika indigenous staff, having grown tremendously since hiring our Executive Director in 2017. Our mission is ***We are actively replacing systems of oppression with ecosystems of care and safety for all our communities through Black and Brown organizing, prioritizing land and bodily autonomy, and reclaiming our cultural narratives. We envision a world of abundance, autonomy, and harmony, where all forms of supremacy cease to exist for all life.*** UTOPIA was born out of the struggles, challenges, strength, and resilience of the Pacific Islander LGBTQI community in the Pacific Northwest. We are led by women of color who identify as transgender and/or Fa'afafine, a cultural gender identity native to Samoa. We provide frontline support and advocacy to people for whom race and gender identification have resulted in discrimination, harassment, abuse, severely limited opportunities, and also criminalization because of their identity or involvement in the sex trades.



## **Intersections, Inc.**

Pago Pago, American Samoa

<https://www.intersectionsweb.com>

Intersections, Inc. is a 501 c 3 not-for-profit organization that has been creating opportunities for change among children and families since 2002, with a mission “to make lasting positive differences in the lives of children and families by empowering them to break the mindset of poverty.” Intersections provides intervention and prevention services that empower young people to become successful in positive decision-making, promote healthy living, and foster social responsibility. It has evolved from an expedition of faith to the implementation of evidence-based programs and development of innovative primary prevention models that build on the cultural assets, strength, and positive influence of our youth – creating a new paradigm that **young people are a part of the solution.**





# Raksha

Atlanta, GA

Website: [www.raksha.org](http://www.raksha.org)

Linktree page: <https://linktr.ee/Rakshainc>

Founded in 1995, Raksha, meaning protection in several South Asian languages, is a Georgia-based nonprofit whose mission is to promote a stronger and healthier South Asian community through confidential support services, education, and advocacy. Raksha works toward healing, empowerment, and justice for South Asian survivors of violence. Raksha has grown in both breadth and depth and currently provides multilingual, culturally appropriate mental health counseling and advocacy in more than 9 languages for more than 500 victims and survivors a year. Raksha is the first organization focused on serving South Asian survivors in the Southeast.



# Queer Crescent

Oakland, CA

<https://www.QueerCrescent.org>

Queer Crescent imagines futures where LGBTQIA+ Muslims are building possibilities towards collective liberation. Our work is shaped by resisting gendered violence through cultural organizing, base-building, and defining Muslimness as an expansive and racialized identity. Queer Crescent is committed to building communities of care, defending bodily autonomy and stretching towards abolition - from prisons to war - with those who face compounded experiences of marginalization within an already marginalized Muslim community. Central to our work is building healing and safer spaces for our communities to hold, process, and transform grievances into power-building practices. LGBTQI Muslims are a people who are often pushed-out of community and family-of-origin alike, as well as face ongoing state violence and gendered islamophobia, therefore building robust communities of care is equal parts survival and resistance. Towards this, mutual aid and resource redistribution has been pivotal in our organizations commitment - in 2020 during the beginning phases of the pandemic, we redistributed over \$65,000 to over 350 community members, many of whom were behind bars, formerly incarcerated and/or detained, disabled, survivors and other conditions that impact financial precarity. And while mutual aid supports the need, we are compelled to organize and change the culture and conditions that steadily reproduce violence. One of our motto's is: Heal to Organize.



# Kilusan Wellness

Oakland, CA

<https://www.kilusanwellness.org>

Kilusan Wellness promotes health, healing, and resilience in communities that have been historically underserved, and also in those who provide care for those communities. Kilusan, in Pilipino, means “movement,” an important concept for individual and collective health, as well as governance. We are guided by the principle of Healing Justice, a framework first outlined by Kindred Southern Healing Collective. Healing Justice work is honoring of indigenous and ancestral healing practices, towards addressing systemic oppression, generational trauma, and creating the conditions where collective and individual healing is interdependent and accessible. We uplift the practice of decolonization and health equity as foundational.



# **Banteay Srei**

Oakland, CA

<https://www.banteaysrei.org/>

Banteay Srei is a youth development, asset building organization that is non-judgmental of young Southeast Asian women who are at risk, or being exploited by the sex trade. We seek to provide the resources that support their healthy development through self-empowerment and self-determination.



# Communities as One

San Francisco, CA

<https://communitiesasone.org/>

Communities as One (CAO) is a 501(c)(3) Community-Based Organization (CBO) led by and for API. Its mission is to increase meaningful participation in minority communities by bringing all communities together in contribution. CAO aims to empower people of color in civics, community engagement and healthcare in the Bay Area by providing educational and support services. Communities as One also surveys the needs of the Chinese community and shares that with the community at large.



# Sikh Family Center

Redwood City, CA

<https://sikhfamilycenter.org/>

Sikh Family Center is a national nonprofit organization in the U.S. that promotes community well-being with a particular focus on gender justice. We provide trauma-centered resources for victim-survivors of violence; our bilingual non-emergency helpline is an access point for services. We develop multi-generational, bilingual resources and programming to change social and cultural conditions that allow violence to occur. We offer training and technical assistance to Sikh and non-Sikh organizations at the intersections of faith, gendered violence, and community-based solutions.



Asian Women United  
of Minnesota

# Asian Women United of Minnesota

Minneapolis, MN

<https://www.awum.org/>

Asian Women United of Minnesota (AWUM)'s mission is to end domestic violence by promoting safe and healthy relationships within the Asian-Pacific Islander community. AWUM operates House of Peace shelter, which contains 24 beds and is staffed 25/7/365. Adults receive comprehensive, customized advocacy services and children in shelter are served by trained child & family advocates and are offered after school & evening programming. In addition, AWUM employs community advocates who are dispersed throughout the metro area, meeting with women in safe spaces to provide many forms of support, including accompaniment to court and information on acquiring resources.



SEWA-AIFW

## **SEWA-AIFW**

Brooklyn Center, MN

<https://www.sewa-aifw.org>

SEWA-AIFW is a nonprofit organization committed to serving, supporting, and enhancing family wellness for the South Asian community, especially the vulnerable and underserved, in the Twin Cities and around Minnesota. We provide health care access, wellness information and resources, access to family violence resources and supports, and elder socialization activities. We envision a South Asian community that is healthy and violence-free, with self-determined women and engaged and supported elders and families.





## **Tohge, Inc.**

Tamuning, Guam

<https://www.tohgeguam.com/>

Hafa Adai, we are TOHGE (pronounced Toe-Gi) Guam; The Guåhan Peer Support Cultivation Foundation. We are a 501 C 3 Non-Profit Recovery Community Organization. In the Chamorro language Tohge means; stand, or rise up. But it's also embedded within our mission statement, for TOHGE is an acronym as well. Our Mission statement is: The establishment of a sustainable territory-wide network of empowered peers by; Transforming Ourselves thru Healing Growth & Enrichment. We encourage and support one another in the pursuit of self-sustainability (self-efficacy), resilience, hope, and recovery. "Our Vision is an Optimal Quality of Wellness for All."



# Community Refugee and Immigration Services

Columbus, OH

<https://www.crisohio.org/>

CRIS is an independent non-profit organization that serves the refugee and immigrant populations in Central Ohio. We have over 50 staff members from all over the world who speak many different languages. Our wide array of programs and services includes a Victims of Crime Assistance Program, which has provided personal and legal advocacy for over 18 years.

Among other things, CRIS is a refugee resettlement agency. As an affiliate of Church World Service, we have a cooperative agreement with the Department of State to directly receive and place refugees in our community.

Our mission is to help refugees and immigrants reach safety and stability, sustain self-sufficiency, and achieve successful integration into the Central Ohio community.



# **Asians Against Domestic Abuse**

Houston, TX

<https://www.aadainc.org/>

AADA has served as the only nonprofit in the Houston area to provide resources and assistance for domestic abused women from all countries in Asia & Middle East & North Africa who reside in Harris County and its neighboring counties. Started by four women who have personal and hands-on experiences with the devastating realities of domestic violence, our vision is to promote equal and healthy family relationships within these communities through public awareness, support systems, empowerment, and collaborations with organizations sharing similar goals. We accomplish this vision through the provision of mainstream services that are typically difficult for Asian women to access for a variety of external reasons and cultural expectations. Our services include transitional housing, culturally-specific, holistic case management, advocacy services to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault, and outreach and community engagement. In 2022 alone, and with the documented increase in domestic abuse and sexual assault in the Houston area and amongst Asian women, AADA has served an average of over 32 new clients per month. Those numbers continue to increase as our capacity expands. With this reality in mind, AADA is seeking to use the funding from this grant to reach at least 350 clients over the next year.



# Karen Society of Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

<https://www.karenbuffalo.org/home>

Karen Society of Buffalo (located in Buffalo, New York / founded in 2014) is a community-based organization seeking to enhance the quality of life and to cultivate the self-sufficiency of immigrants from Burma, while preserving and sharing our cultural heritage. In addition to convening community-wide cultural events, we provide case management and youth programming to address vulnerable needs within our community. By hiring staff from within our ethnic community who can speak the language of our clients, are of the same culture, and are more easily relatable, we are able to offer programming that is truly culturally and linguistically appropriate.



**Kaimana**  
**intervention**

## **Kaimana Intervention** **under the Child and Family Empowerment Foundation**

Salt Lake City, UT

<https://kaimanaintervention.com/>

Kaimana Intervention (KI) under the agency of Child and Family Empowerment Foundation (CFEF) is based on a University of Utah Dissertation Study by Dr. Leilani (Lani) Katoa-Taholo (Katoa-Taholo, 2019) which incorporates Pacific Islander concepts to help participants process their stories and regain their voices and power to overcome and heal from their conflictual or traumatic experiences within their cultural upbringing. Our work is to help people receive the Kaimana Intervention wave of a safe space where therapeutic and culturally-based skills for emotional healing are practiced to "not lose the me in the we" nor the "power of the we" for therein lie the navigational threads of successful emotional healing.



# Pacific Community of Alaska

Anchorage, AK

<https://www.pcalaska.org/>

Pacific Community of Alaska is a product of Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders coming together to address the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic within our communities. Our mission is to develop and strengthen Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander communities throughout Alaska by building capacity through health and wellness practices, civic engagement, economic empowerment, bridging generational gaps, and balancing traditional values. We envision a unified Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander community founded on cultural values that promote social, economic, physical, and mental health and well-being.



# AshaKiran

Huntsville, AL

<https://www.ashakiranonline.org/>

AshaKiran is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization providing crisis support services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking since 2006. Our vision is to be "A Ray of Hope" to survivors of these crimes.

We offer a 24- hour crisis line "AshaLine", confidential SafeHome, and culturally and linguistically appropriate services. We promote cultural awareness through presentations to the community, victim service providers, first responders, law enforcement, government agencies, and more. We provide trauma informed training for interpreters and language service providers.



# **Research And Advocacy Institute of Gilgit Baltistan**

Houston, TX

<https://www.raaigb.org/>

Research And Advocacy Institute of Gilgit Baltistan has been serving communities globally since 2013. Our focus is to uplift the needs of marginalized communities in the areas of education, medical assistance , crisis response/ disaster relief and environment. we specialize in interventions that are culturally specific, and trauma informed, so we can bring about sustainable change to local communities, while empowering them. We focus on capacity building and direct services for gender based violence, women empowerment and entrepreneurship.





# Asian Women's Shelter

San Francisco, CA

<https://www.sfaws.org/>

The mission of the Asian Women's Shelter (AWS) is to eliminate domestic violence by promoting the social, economic and political self-determination of women and all survivors of violence and oppression. AWS works with all survivors and has specific expertise to address the cultural and language needs of Asian, Arab, and other immigrant and refugee survivors, as well as others who face barriers to existing sources of safety and support, particularly LGBTQ+ communities and survivors of FGM/C. In order to address how domestic violence is compounded for survivors and communities as it combines with sexism, classism, racism, homo/bi/transphobia, xenophobia, ableism and ageism, AWS operates through a margin-to-center anti-oppression framework that can create lasting change toward peace and opportunity. This perspective is reflected in our broad strategy that integrates culturally grounded and language-accessible shelter and transitional housing services, culturally specific violence intervention and prevention programs, economic empowerment and entrepreneurship projects, systems and public policy advocacy, community mobilization and cultural change initiatives, and community-based participatory evaluation and research.



# Arab American Family Services

Worth, IL

<https://aafsil.org/>

The mission of Arab American Family Services is to impact the quality of life by serving and building stronger and healthier generations of Arab Americans across the Southwestern Suburban area of metropolitan Chicago. AAFS provides accessible and effective social services, including comprehensive case management, behavioral health, domestic violence, senior services, and legal assistance, to the growing immigrant communities in the region. AAFS is committed to empowering, educating, and building the capacity of individuals, families, and organizations and is recognized as an established immigrant focused multiservice and advocacy organization serving over 18,000 participants every year.



# **American Samoa Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence**

Pago Pago, American Samoa

We are a non-profit organization that cater to the victims of Domestic and Sexual Violence. Our program is a Transitional Housing Program. We house our victims from a minimum of 6 months to 2 years depending on the victim's progress in our program. We have partners such as the Am.Samoa Legal aid office for legal help, the Catholic services for victims who need counseling/therapist, The Attorney Generals office, and Department of Human Social Services who work with us on some cases and also referrals to our program.