

# 2021 HIGHLIGHTS



Photo credit: AP Photo/Nam Y. Huh

During such a turbulent and traumatic year for the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) community, Asian Pacific Fund's role as the only foundation dedicated to supporting the Bay Area's most vulnerable APIs was more critical than ever.

The generous outpouring of support for the API community created a watershed moment for the Fund. We mobilized a historic \$8.5M, which includes a transformational gift from philanthropist MacKenzie Scott, and tripled our philanthropic impact by distributing \$3.5M in grants. In addition, we engaged nearly 900 attendees through our API Summit, Summer Speaker Series, affiliate trainings and Annual Gala.

### **INCREASING OUR IMPACT & REACH**

The enduring impact of COVID-19 has been especially devastating for the API community as we witnessed the pandemic mutate into a virus of hate and violence. In response, we launched our Solidarity Fund, raising more than \$1.2M which was distributed in two rounds of grants to 41 nonprofits. We also raised \$1.3M through our COVID-19 Recovery Fund supporting organizations across the state with \$300k to nonprofits in Southern California and \$1M benefiting 38 Bay Area nonprofits. For many of the organizations, we were their only source of rapid response funds.





We accomplished more than we could have imagined for our second annual Give In May campaign:

- Raised more than \$930,000 for 170+ nonprofits
- Reached 55 cities in 20 states
- Engaged more than 5,700 donors

# **API SUMMIT & SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES**

Our virtual API Summit this year highlighted the ways Bay Area nonprofits stepped up to address the surge in anti-Asian hate and developed longer term strategies for racial justice and solidarity. This was followed by our Summer Speaker Series where we dove deeper into challenges impacting the API community including the ongoing impact of the pandemic and the surging mental health crisis.









[L-R] Raj Mathai (NBC Bay Area), Hon. Tani Cantil-Sakauye (Chief Justice of California), Dr. Pawan Dinghra (Amherst College), and Michelle Kim (Awaken) spoke at our API Summit.

# SUPPORTING OUR AFFILIATES

Our network of 80+ affiliate nonprofits have been on the front lines providing critical services throughout the pandemic. In addition to grants, we supported their efforts by hosting two trainings addressing mental health and working with the media. We also provided additional resources through partnerships including free PPE supplies, donated meals and MasterClass memberships for online courses.

PHOTO [Clockwise from top left] Nishat Kurwa (Vox Media), Holly Quan (KCBS Radio News), Gonzo Rojas (NBC Bay Area), and Deepa Fernandes (SF Chronicle) shared insights during our Media Training.



### ANNUAL GALA

Our Virtual Annual Gala was a great success, and it would not have been possible without all of our guests who helped us raise more than \$320,000. NBC Anchor Janelle Wang served as our charismatic emcee and we recognized our Gala Honoree Kim Ng, General Manager of the Miami Marlins, who is the first Asian American female to become a general manager of a Major League Baseball team.