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# The Health Trust Joins Allies in Joint Statement on Anti-Asian Violence

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The Health Trust stands with Silicon Valley Asian American community organizations and allies in light of the recent hateful attacks and racist actions targeting the Asian American community locally and across our country. In support, we have joined with over 60 organizations from our region in issuing a statement of solidarity condemning violence and demanding action.

**READ OUR FULL JOINT STATEMENT BELOW:**

As community-based organizations and foundations committed to racial equity and justice for Asian and Pacific Islander, Black, Indigenous, and Latino communities of color, we come together to send a clear, unified message of solidarity opposing xenophobia, discrimination, and violence. We denounce the recent violent crimes perpetrated against the elderly Asian American community within the Bay Area and nationally. We stand in solidarity with the victims, their families, and all who have been affected by these horrific acts.

Attacks against the API community are not new, and the pandemic has exacerbated the long history of anti-Asian rhetoric and xenophobia. Whether race-based crimes or crimes of opportunity, we cannot allow these heinous acts against our elders to continue. We call for our elected leaders to take swift action to protect our ethnically diverse communities from further violence. We call for solutions that address the root cause of such violence by investing in education, resources, and community-based solutions, such as:

Raising awareness and ending the silence by insisting that our diverse community and elected leaders speak publicly on mainstream and ethnic media condemning these attacks; Prioritizing community-based response to protect vulnerable communities that does not involve or rely on increased law enforcement intervention and perpetuate violence and trauma against Black and Brown communities. Our communities have organized and advanced community solutions to ensure safety for generations. We must honor this wisdom and experience and use it to guide solutions now; Conducting cross-cultural community education to promote empathy, understanding, and a shared responsibility for an end to violence and communal healing.

The API community continues to be the target of racism and hate-based violence, compounded by the social consequences and rhetoric of the COVID-19 pandemic. We need a systemic, comprehensive, and multi-racial approach to address racism at all levels. If we want to succeed in ending hateful attacks against any of our communities, we must stand together, work together, and denounce racism together.

African Diaspora Network

ALF AAPI Caucus

Alum Rock Counseling Center ARCC

American Muslim Community Foundation

APJCC Preschool

Asian American Recovery Services, a program of HealthRIGHT 360

Asian Americans for Community Involvement

Asian Law Alliance  
Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute  
Behavioral Health Contractors' Association  
Bill Wilson Center  
CAIR – San Francisco Bay Area  
Cambodian Women's Association  
Caminar  
Center for Excellence in Nonprofits  
City Year San José/Silicon Valley  
Coalition for Justice and Accountability  
Community Health Partnership  
Community Services Agency  
Community Solutions  
Destination: Home  
Educare California at Silicon Valley  
Fred Finch Youth & Family Services  
Gardner Health Services  
Hispanic Foundation of Silicon Valley  
Horizon Services  
Indian Business & Professional Women  
Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley  
International Children Assistance Network – ICAN  
JCRC of Jewish Silicon Valley  
Law Foundation of Silicon Valley  
LifeMoves  
Lighthouse of Hope Counseling Center  
MACLA / Movimiento de Arte y Cultura Latino Americana  
Maitri  
Mekong Community Center  
Momentum for Health  
Morado Consulting  
NAMI Santa Clara County  
National Compadres Network  
Next Door Solutions to Domestic Violence  
Our City Forest  
PACC – Pakistani American Community Center  
Parisi House on the Hill  
Peninsula Family Service

PIVOT – The Progressive Vietnamese American Organization  
Project HIRED  
Project Safety Net, Inc.  
Recovery Cafe San Jose  
Sacred Heart Community Service  
San Jose Nikkei Resisters  
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Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition  
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