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Help APIASF Celebrate 10 Years of Strengthening Students & Communities

The Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) began its year-long celebration to commemorate its 10-year anniversary this month. Throughout 2013, APIASF will be hosting special events including activities in Dallas, Texas;



Rosemead, California; New York, New York; and Washington, D.C.

In addition to the events, APIASF launched a new initiative to celebrate the difference the organization is making for students, families and communities through the words of those who have been directly impacted. To view the interactive map

and submit a quote about APIASF's impact, [click here](#).

For information about APIASF's anniversary, [click here](#).

APIASF Announces New Community College Scholarships Recipients

With nearly 50 percent of all AAPI students enrolled in higher education attending community colleges, APIASF's Community College Scholarship Program provides some of the nation's most underserved students with better opportunities to access and succeed in college.

APIASF announced the selection of its 2012 - 2013 recipients yesterday. The new scholarships will provide 135 full-time, degree-seeking AAPI students with \$2,500 scholarships to support their school year at City College of San Francisco, De Anza College or South Seattle Community College. Many of these scholars will have the opportunity to receive another \$2,500 for the 2013 - 2014 academic year. In addition to these awards, APIASF recently announced five new Scholars who will each receive \$5,000 scholarships at Coastline Community College.

To meet the new APIASF Community College Scholars, [click here](#). For the press release, [click here](#).

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Scholar Profile



"This is a huge honor to me and my family because I am the only one in the family chasing higher education as well as one of only five students chosen from Coastline Community College. Although my family came to the United States four decades ago, they could not afford the higher education. As a result, I become the only hope of my family."

**Son Mai
2012 - 2013
APIASF/Walmart
Foundation Community
College Scholar**

Attending

APIASF Needs Volunteers to Help Make a Difference for Deserving Students

APIASF is currently seeking volunteers to serve as readers for its Scholarship Program. Readers assist in the evaluation of applications submitted for the 2013-2014 academic year and are critical to APIASF's ability to award scholarships to students.

The scholarship review process will take place from now until March 2013. Readers will have access to a secure website to review scholarship applications. To ensure that there are enough readers to evaluate all applications, readers are asked to commit to completing a minimum of 40 applications. Each application takes approximately 10-15 minutes to review.

All readers must have an undergraduate college diploma and/or 7-10 years of work experience.

If you are interested in volunteering as a reader for the APIASF Scholarship Program, please complete the new reader registration form online at <https://secure.apiasf.org/reader/>.

For more information please contact Devita Bishundat, Director of the APIASF Scholarship Program, at dbishundat@apiasf.org.

Save the Date - 2013 APIASF Higher Education Summit in Washington, DC

On June 25, 2013, APIASF will host its annual Higher Education Summit around the theme, ***Moving Forward: Engaging the Changing Face of America*** at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center in Washington, D.C. Organized into a series of presentations, panels, and breakout sessions, the 2013 APIASF Higher Education Summit will highlight fundamental elements of education, research and policies that are critical to higher education access and success that will ultimately contribute to strengthening Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) students, families, and communities.

According to the 2010 U.S. Census, the AAPI community is one of the fastest growing populations and is projected to reach nearly 40 million by 2050. While data reveals that AAPI students will experience a 35 percent increase in college enrollment in the next decade, college access and completion remains a challenge for many marginalized AAPI communities.

Join APIASF for this important dialogue to help mobilize resources, advance institutional capacity and accelerate student success. For more information or to RSVP, [click here](#).

Celebrate Love, Learning and Community this February on the APIASF Blog

They say "all you need is love," and for the month of February, that will be true on APIASF's blog, ***re/present: live. learn. lead!*** We hope you join us as we #repLove by reflecting upon and

Coastline Community College
Majoring in Fashion/Apparel Design

Don't Forget - Feb. 4

APIASF will be hosting a community reception at **Richland College** in Dallas, Texas from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on **Monday, February 4.**

For more information or to RSVP, [click here](#).

Give the Gift of Education

Did you know that you can make a difference for a deserving Asian American or Pacific Islander student? One gift to APIASF can support a student in achieving their dream of higher education.

[Click here](#) to make a difference in the life of a student.

APIASF Programs

APIASF is a lot more than scholarships!

APIASF provides scholarship recipients with individual advising, community building and professional development opportunities. **[Click here](#) to learn more about our programs and services.**

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exploring love beyond romantic love - love that manifests as appreciation, support, hope and more. Throughout the month, we will share guiding prompts that focus on love for yourself, love for your community, and love for the world around you.

We encourage our Scholars and other readers to share your perspective and lived experiences, even if the subject matter is outside of our prompts. If you would like to submit a blog post, you can do so via [direct blog submission](#), [email](#), and/or using this month's hashtag (#repLove).

You can join and follow the conversation at <http://apiasfrepresent.tumblr.com>. To read January's posts regarding the importance and meaning of service (#repService), [click here](#).



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