

August 2014 eNews

RSVP Today! APIASF Jump Start College Tour at California State University, East Bay

Join the Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF) for a **FREE** event developed to provide college planning, leadership training, financial literacy and professional development information to students and parents. The APIASF Jump Start College Tour was developed in partnership with Wells Fargo to help facilitate an engaging dialogue among high school and college students, and their parents to help accelerate their success.

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The next APIASF Jump Start College Tour event will be taking place at California State University, East Bay on September 27 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. During the event, participants will have the opportunity to learn strategies to help them navigate the scholarship process and identify additional resources as they pursue higher education. Wells Fargo representatives will provide important financial education presentations to

help with college planning. The program will also include breakout sessions specifically for students and parents.

Lunch will be provided for all participants and registration is required. For more information or to RSVP, click on the link below.

Register Today!

New Scholarship Opportunities - APIASF and GMS Scholarship Program Applications

Scholarship season is in full swing at APIASF and there are several opportunities for students. Below is a brief description of each of the programs and their respective deadlines. Students are encouraged to reach out to APIASF if they have any questions. Please email outreach@apiASF.org.

APIASF AANAPISI Scholarship

The APIASF Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI) Scholarship is available to students attending one of APIASF's AANAPISI partner campuses during the 2014 - 2015 academic year. Awards range from \$2,500 - \$5,000 and the application **deadline is Wednesday, October 15, 2014** at 9 p.m. EST. For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

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Scholar Profile



"My family came to America eight years ago with a hope of a better future. My parents gave up everything, even their jobs as teachers, to come to America for my future and education; they encourage me to be the first in our family to go to college, showing how important my future is to them."

Vy Trinh
2014-2015
APIASF / Target
Foundation Scholar

Attending
St. Louis College of
Pharmacy and studying

Gates Millennium Scholars Program

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) program, funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, was established in 1999 to provide outstanding, African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, and Hispanic American students with significant financial need an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education in any discipline area of interest. The **deadline to apply is Wednesday, January 14, 2015** at 11:59 p.m. EST. For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

APIASF General Scholarship

The APIASF General Scholarship **application will open on Tuesday, September 2**. The scholarship is for students who are currently enrolled or will be enrolling in a US-accredited college or university for the 2015 - 2016 academic year. Awards range from \$2,500 - \$15,000 and the **deadline is Friday, January 9, 2015** at 11:59 p.m. EST. For more information or to apply, [click here](#).

Become an Inaugural APIASF Champion and Make a Difference for Students



APIASF is pleased to announce its 9th annual Scholarship Benefit on November 12, 2014 in New York. This year, APIASF is looking to show students that there is a broad community of champions who are invested in their success. The inaugural APIASF Champions Campaign will launch later this week and will provide an opportunity for community leaders, mentors, educators and other individuals to make a significant impact for students. Look for more information in your inbox later this week or email Gayle Yamada, Vice President of Development and External Relations, at gyamada@apiasf.org to learn how you can get involved.

Expand Your Network and Join APIASF on LinkedIn for FREE Professional Development

LinkedIn is the world's largest professional network and it provides a great way to connect with APIASF in a way that can help accelerate your career! Scholars can stay in touch with APIASF and fellow alumni through the APIASF Alumni Association group on LinkedIn. This group is currently open to college graduates, college seniors or juniors! There is also an APIASF Career Connections page that anyone in the community can join. These groups are a great forum for networking, giving/receiving advice about work and career opportunities, and other professional development information.

How to make the most of APIASF LinkedIn Groups:

- Interested in changing jobs? Contact an alumnus in the field you're interested in entering.
- Looking for a new hire? Post job opportunities here!
- Got advice for job seekers? Are you a job seeker looking for advice? Again, post here!
- Look out for APIASF programs to support Alumni!

pharmacy.

Volunteer Profile



"I consider education to be the great equalizer so the work that APIASF does is critical to assuring that as many people as possible can have access to higher education. I have been deeply moved by the applicants struggles but even more by their resilience and commitment to share themselves and their gifts in a way that makes this a better world."

Charles McNeilly
APIASF Volunteer

To volunteer with APIASF, [click here](#).

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Become a Career Mentor for Students Today!

This fall APIASF is working with Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP), Gloria S. Chan Coaching, & Capacity Empowerment to manage the Scholar Mentoring Access to Resources and Training (SMART): College-to-Career Transition Program. The purpose of the program is to support rising juniors, seniors, and newly graduated Asian American and Pacific Islander students from all over the country into their first job as a launching point for their careers.

SMART Program provides Scholars with the opportunity to participate in tele-courses on job search, resume writing, interviewing, career clarity, and networking. As a mentor, you support APIASF Scholars through the pre-to-post job process that is more tailored to their needs in conjunction with these tele-courses. The 2014 SMART College-to-Career Transition Program is made possible by the generous support of Target. If you have questions, email the APIASF Programs team at programs@apiasf.org.

If you are not able to participate, please pass this along to another colleague that you think would be a great e-mentor!

For more information and the online application: <http://bit.ly/2014SMARTMentor>.

Join us as we #repChange on the APIASF Blog - re/present: live. learn. lead.

We so often hold off on engaging in change because we believe we are not "ready" and "are not there yet." As Chang-rae Lee says in his newest novel, *On Such a Full Sea*, "It is 'where we are' that should make all the difference, whether we believe we belong there or not." Often times, we are already where we need to be, to make the impact the most change in ourselves and our communities. Take action throughout the month by following along with our **8 Ways You Can #repChange** feature, which will provide two ways each week that you can cultivate personal growth, create positive social change, and become an engaged citizen (**#repChange**).

In August, we explored transitions of all sorts, provided links to resources, and heard some

insights from our Scholars and Alumni. [Click here](#) to read how we sought to #repTransitions together.



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