



**CONSORTIUM FOR CITIZENS
WITH DISABILITIES**

**Statement from the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities
Board of Directors on Anti-Asian Violence and Discrimination
and the March 16th Shootings**

The Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities (CCD) decries the March 16th murders of eight individuals including six Asian American women in Atlanta, Georgia and all violence and discrimination against Asians and Asian Americans. We mourn the eight people killed on the 16th: Soon Chung Park, Suncha Kim, Xiaojie Tan, Yong Ae Yue, Hyun Jung Grant, Delaina Ashley Yaun, Daoyou Feng, and Paul Andre Michels.

Anti-Asian racism is deeply rooted in ableism, relying in part on offensive depictions of Asians as inferior. Anti-Asian violence harms all Asian and Asian American Pacific Islanders, including those living with disabilities and their families. The COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately impacted Asians and Asian Americans in the U.S., along with Black, Indigenous and other communities of color. In addition, there has been an increase in violence against Asians and Asian Americans with STOP AAPI Hate reporting nearly 4,000 incidents in the past year. CCD acknowledges that discrimination and violence are rooted in white supremacy and this nation's history. We stand in solidarity with those demanding justice and who reject systemic and structural oppression, misogyny, and racism.

CCD calls on our members to listen to and learn from Asian American Pacific Islander communities and advocates. CCD also calls on government and elected officials to reform policies and practices that allow racism and misogyny to flourish.

Following are a petition and resources we hope will prove useful (listed alphabetically):

- Asia Society Webinar, "Understanding the Impact of COVID-19 on Asian Americans: <https://asiasociety.org/texas/events/webcast-understanding-impact-covid-19-asian-americans>
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice: <https://www.advancingjustice-aajc.org/>
- Asian Americans for Civil Rights and Equality: <http://aacre.org/>
- Asian Mental Health Collective: <https://www.asianmhc.org/>
- National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum (NAPAWF) Resources: <https://www.napawf.org>
- NAPAWF Petition to All Elected Officials to Center the Needs of Those Most Impacted: <https://www.napawf.org/stopasianhate>

- NAPA WF Sign-on to Testimony Regarding Violence and Discrimination against Asian American Women (due 3/25 @ 22 pm ET):
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc1M3ILW_gdntS4s0WhSXYqTH8JwcMsgJJdd6uz1g-QGOKudg/viewform?gxids=7628
- Red Canary Song: <https://www.redcanarysong.net/>
- Red Canary Song Response to 8 Lives Lost in Atlanta and sign-on:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_Q0mFJnivTZL5fcCS7eUZn9EhOJ1XHtFBGOGqVaUY_8/edit
- Smithsonian Asian Pacific American Center Care Package:
<https://smithsonianapa.org/care/>
- Stop AAPI Hate - Actions to Take and Incident Tracker: <https://stopaapihate.org/>