



APIC UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SPOTLIGHT

O2 SABBATICAL AWARDEE CYC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SARAH CHING TING WAN



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/1 & 4/17: Restorative Justice offered by CPA and CCSJ [[3/1 Training: LINK](#)]
- 3/3, 6-9PM: Mixing Diasporas: Interactive Beverage Archive and Drag Cabaret [[LINK](#)]
- 3/7, 10AM: Grants for the Arts Meeting for API Council Members. RSVP: jenny@cccsf.us
- 3/9, 5:30PM: Chinatown Community Children's Center Annual Spring Gala at HL Peninsula 608 Dubuque Ave



- 3/18, 2-4pm: Death over Dim Sum [[LINK](#)]
- 3/18, 5:30pm: CYC 52nd Annual Gala [[LINK](#)]

RECAP OF FEBRUARY API COUNCIL CELEBRATES SPEAKER EMERITA NANCY PELOSI



In February, the API Council hosted a community celebration honoring Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi at China Live.

Over the last two years, we have seen our Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AANHPI) community reach new heights advocating for our rights in San Francisco.

However, we did not make strides in our movement alone. These efforts were supported by the vibrant unity of community members, leaders, and our dear champion, Speaker Emerita Nancy Pelosi. We're immensely grateful for her leadership and were so happy to be joined by our members and friends to celebrate her.

Photos taken by Stanley Wong Photography.
[[LINK to all event photos here](#)]

HIGHLIGHTS: FOOD SECURITY

Supplemental Emergency CalFresh Benefits Advocacy Letter [\[LINK\]](#)

- a. The emergency CalFresh benefit allotment that was established during the pandemic is set to expire on February 28th (with the last benefits being disbursed in April). Over 5 million households in CA will be impacted and experience an average loss of \$82 in benefits per person per month.
- b. The letter was written by the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation and SF-Marin Food Bank.

Request \$35 Million to Refund the California Nutrition Incentive Program (CNIP) in FY23-24 [\[LINK\]](#)

- a. CNIP is the state program that funds Market Match at farmers' markets. The Market Match Program is currently the single largest CNIP program, administered through CDFA. Market Match is California's largest nutrition incentive program, matching federal nutrition assistance benefits, like CalFresh and WIC, at farmers' markets and other farm-direct sites.

Request \$60 Million to Fully Fund The Local Equitable Access to Food (LEAF) Program [\[LINK\]](#)

- a. Request to fully fund the Local Equitable Access to Food (LEAF) Program, which was established under SB907. The LEAF program would expand EBT access at farmers' markets, increase the number of farmers' markets in low-income neighborhoods, and allow farmers' markets to hire full-time staff dedicated to EBT outreach. This is important for our community as we've heard from farmers' market managers that they are having a hard time reaching our monolingual community members because of language barriers. This program could give farmers' markets the resources they need to build out appropriate tools and hire appropriate staff.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Through Children's Lens Art Contest 2023

This Children's Art Contest is APA Family Support Services' annual signature event to promote family values, creativity and AAPI cultural heritage. This year our focus will be San Francisco Chinatown. Award winners' artwork will become part of the San Francisco Portsmouth Square Garage photo exhibition for 2 months.

The artwork submission deadline is Mar 22, 2023. See more info on website. [\[LINK\]](#)

2023 Extreme Weather Equipment Program: Apply Today!

The San Francisco Department of Emergency Management (SFDEM) is proud to announce the Extreme Weather Resilience Program's CBO Equipment Project. The goal of this project is to provide community serving organizations with streamlined access to equipment that will help them protect the health and well-being of their staff and clients during extreme weather events.

To learn more about the program, apply, or sign up for a program briefing - please visit the website [\[LINK\]](#). The application deadline is Friday, March 17.