

2019

Moments that stood out to us this year, in our work to strengthen culturally-specific advocacy for Asian and Pacific Islander survivors of gender violence



Ana Paula Noguez Mercado
Language Access Project

In 2019, we facilitated a series of workshops for a state coalition and partner organizations that moved them to start exploring and taking on initiatives with a language justice and equal communications lens. We're hopeful that this will be an important step towards creating more multilingual safe spaces for survivors, advocates, and community members



Cannon Han
Language Access Project

We partnered with the State of Hawai'i Office on Language Access to provide trainings on language access Oahu, Hawai'i, Kauai, and Maui. It was exciting to connect with all the amazing locals working on language access.



Chic Dabby
Executive Director

2019 was a year for reconnecting with advocates, activists, and CBOs to learn anew the ways in which we interrogate race, ethnicity, culture, gender, identity, inter-generational change, communities, and movements. Convening a roundtable of Asian and Pacific Islander LGBTQ/trans/gender non-conforming advocates and activists was a reminder of how gender is experienced as a site of oppression in Asia and in the U.S. - and yet, how vibrant the resistance is, how clear the articulation of strategic goals!



Sarah Khan
Culturally-Specific Services Program

Working for the culturally-specific services program is very fulfilling. This past year I have worked with agencies nationwide to help them build the systems that would allow them to carry out their life-saving community work in a sustainable, culturally-relevant way.



Shirley Luo
Resource Center

Early this year, we facilitated a workshop for API college and high school students on dating violence, culture change, and youth leadership. It was gratifying to engage with young activists around taboo subjects like sexual assault, and to envision the change that they are already beginning to make.



Yein Pyo
Immigration Project

We coordinated the campaign by the domestic and sexual violence field to oppose the public charge rule and raise stories of its impact on survivors of gender-based violence. Our work with the advocacy community has barred the application of the public charge rule for now, and we will carry our work into the new year.

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Other Key Activities:



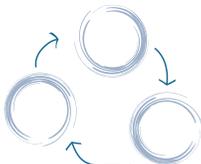
New reports, factsheets, advisories added to Resource Library



Started work under two new language access grants



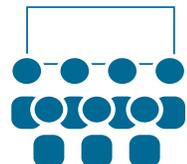
#APIFamilyViolence Twitter & Facebook chat to break taboos & dispel myths



Shared practices for sustainable programming at CSSP Institute in Memphis, TN



New website feature: News & Events



Summit of Hmong movement-makers in Sacramento



Hawai'i tours: trainings for language access in multicultural communities