



**Washington State Commission
on Asian Pacific American Affairs**

Executive Director's Report

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Improving the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans by examining issues, advancing advocacy, and ensuring access to government.

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Executive Director's report to the Commission covering activities, progress, and updates from January 11, 2020 to March 20, 2020.

1. STAFF AND COMMISSION ACTIVITY

Governor's Leadership Academy & Ruth Woo Fellowship: Emily Fujita was selected as CAPAA's 2020 Ruth Woo Fellow. She will join the Commission for a 10-week period beginning June, 2020.

Commissioner Activity: Commissioners submitted activity reports for the time period of January 11 – March 20. Total events reported = 85; Activity Report response rate = 92% (11/12 respondents). Details of Commissioner Activity can be found in Appendix I. Outstanding reports for this reporting period: Commissioner Cho.

Appointments: Applications to serve upon the Commission will open on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 and close on Thursday, April 30, 2020. Opportunity announcements will be advertised via Facebook and Newsletter. All CAPAA Commissioners must assist in sharing the opportunity with their networks. 1st Vice Chair Nam Nguyen has convened a nominations committee, which will work inclusively to establish a process to review and recommend applicants for appointment.

- Chair Dickinson's 3rd term expires 6/30/2020
- Commissioner Gurung's 2nd term expires 6/30/2020
- Commissioner Sisavatdy's 1st term expires 6/30/2020
- Commissioner Sam's 1st term expires 6/30/2020

2. FINANCE

CAPAA is on track to overspend its budget by about \$5,000.00. Notable adjustments to the budget accounting for \$2,000 in savings include the elimination of travel costs for the months of March, April and May, 2020. Expenses accounting for budget overruns include:

- \$3,000 towards the Ruth Woo Fellowship which was approved by the executive committee;
- \$2,899 towards AAG professional services regarding updates to CAPAA's rules, as directed by the executive committee; and
- \$1,491 towards computers.

All costs will be paid through CAPAA's donation account.

3. RULES

CAPAA formally filed updates to its rules, as approved by Commissioners. To date, no party has voiced any objections to the expedited rule making process (the deadline to do so was March 2). Next, CAPAA staff will file a CR-103P with the Washington State Register, and the changes to the WAC sections should become permanent and available online.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- Newsletter:** CAPAA's newsletter is sent to the entire e-mail listserv of 2,136 contacts (+171 from the January E.D. Report), 1,965 of which are subscribers.
- Facebook:** 1,673 Likes (+ 49)
1,795 Follows (+ 47)
- FB March:** Women's History Month Campaign: Historic AAPI Women in WA State
COVID-19 announcements, updates & resources
- FB April:** Census 2020 General Announcements
Whitman County-specific Census 2020 Digital Campaign
WSU student-specific Census 2020 Digital Campaign

5. 2020 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

2020 Legislative Session: The legislative session adjourned Thursday, March 12, 2020. Notable legislative activities relating specifically to AAPI's include:

- Lunar New Year Resolution & Reception
- 2020 APA Legislative Day
- Vietnamese Legislative Day & Heritage Flag Resolution
- Day of Remembrance Resolution & Lunch
- COFA Senate Joint Memorial
- Equity Office Task Force
- MOCC POC Elected Officials Reception
- Sikh Community Reception

2020 Supplemental Budget: In wonderful news, the 2020 Supplemental Conference Budget included one additional staffer for CAPAA, effective July 1 through the end of this biennium and beyond. This is a tremendous win for CAPAA, as it's the first time in decades that the Commission's staffing number has grown.

Legislative Tracking & Advocacy: CAPAA Project Manager Rosa Mai established an electronic bill tracking system using the online platform *Trello*. Priorities tracked in the Trello board were identified by CAPAA staff, Commissioners, APIC-WA, the Racial Equity Team, and the POC Legislative Summit. CAPAA also tracked and monitor pieces of priority legislation proposed by APA state legislators, as well as other items impacting the APA community in Washington State.

The following describes the final outcome of legislation tracked by CAPAA:

HB 1783 (Gregerson) – Creating the Washington state office of equity. Passed House 56-41. Passed Senate 28-21. Awaiting signature from Governor. This bill takes effect June 11, 2020, except for section 3, relating to the establishment of the Equity Office, which takes effect July 1, 2020.

- Establishes the Washington State Office of Equity (Equity Office).
- Creates a Community Advisory Board to advise the Equity Office on its priorities and timelines.
- Requires the Equity Office to submit a report to the Legislature and Governor every year.
- Requires state agencies to: apply an equity lens to agency decision-making; designate a diversity, equity, and inclusion liaison; develop plans for diversity, equity, and inclusion and for language access; and collaborate with the Equity Office to develop performance measures.

HB 2602 (Morgan) – Concerning Hair discrimination. Passed House 87-10. Passed Senate 38-9. Governor signed on March 19. Effective date June 11, 2020.

- Amends the Washington Law Against Discrimination
- Defines race as inclusive of traits historically associated with race including hair texture and protective hairstyles.
- Defines protective hairstyles to include afros, braids, locks, and twists.

SHB 2441 (Entenman) – Improving access to temporary assistance for needy families. Passed House 57-41. Passed Senate 32-17. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Requires the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to reduce a family's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) cash grant after two months of continuous noncompliance with work or work activity requirements.

ESHB 2576 (Ortiz-Self) – Concerning private detention facilities. Passed House 60-38. Passed Senate 30-19. CAPAA requested a racial impact statement for this legislation, which is first time ever that this new tool was requested. The bill originally prohibited persons, businesses, and state and local governments from operating private detention facilities or from entering into certain agreements for the operation of private detention facilities. Under the original bill, the NW Detention Center would be scheduled to close within 5 years. The bill was eventually was amended to a study. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Requires the Department of Health to conduct a study evaluating state and local authority and practices for inspecting private detention facilities and enforcing statutes, codes, rules, and policies on the health, safety, and welfare of detainees.

SB 6442 (Saldaña) – Concerning private detention facilities. Passed Senate 30-18. Passed House 64-33. Like 2576, the bill originally banned private detention facilities—including the NWDC—but was eventually amended. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective immediately, subject to signature.

- Prohibits the Department of Corrections (DOC) from contracting with a private correctional entity for the transfer or placement of an offender, subject to certain exceptions. Specifies the circumstances required to permit DOC to transfer an offender to an out-of-state private correctional entity.

ESHB 2455/SB 6255 (Kilduff/C. Wilson) – Supporting access to child care for parents who are attending high school or working toward completion of a high school equivalency certificate. Passed House 66-32. Passed Senate 34-15. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Changes Working Connections Child Care eligibility and copayment requirements for a parent who is attending high school or is working toward completing a high school equivalency certificate.
- Requires school districts to provide transportation to students who request to transport their infant.

SJM 8017 (Hasegawa) – Addressing compacts of free association. Passed Senate 47-0. Passed House 97-0. Filed with Secretary of State March 11, 2020.

- Requests that Congress take action to renew a series of agreements with the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of Palau, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands, as well as restore federal benefits to citizens of those nations; ensure they are counted in the 2020 census; and exempt them from new immigration rules related to public charges.

SB 6066 (Hasegawa) – Expanding ethnic studies materials and resources for public school students in grades kindergarten through six. CAPAA Education Committee voted to support. CAPAA signed onto a

joint letter of support. Passed Senate 36-10. Passed House 64-33. Governor signed on March 18. Effective date June 11, 2020.

- Specifies that the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) must identify existing state learning standards, rather than adopt Essential Academic Learning Requirements and grade-level expectations, that address the knowledge and skills that all public school students need to be global citizens in a global society with an appreciation for the contributions of diverse cultures.
- Requires the OSPI and the existing Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee to identify ethnic studies materials and resources for use in all grades, rather than only for grades 7 through 12.
- Directs the Ethnic Studies Advisory Committee to consider the need for piloting ethnic studies materials and resources and professional development, and adds educators with experience in age-appropriate ethnic studies curricula to the committee

SB 5473 (Saldaña) – Making unemployment benefits accessible to persons with family responsibilities and other availability issues and making clarifying changes. CAPAA signed in support – did not testify. Passed Senate 40-6. Passed House 57-40. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Requires the Employment Security Department to study the impacts to the unemployment trust fund and employer contributions for unemployment insurance by allowing exceptions to provisions disqualifying individuals from receiving unemployment benefits for leaving work voluntarily without good cause related to:
 - (1) inaccessible care for a child or vulnerable adult;
 - (2) substantial increases in job duties or working conditions without commensurate increase in pay;
 - (3) separation from a minor child.
- Requires ESD to meet at least three times with business and worker representatives to discuss the information gathered by ESD.
- Removes modifications to the term good cause for unemployment purposes for the separation due to inaccessible care for a child or vulnerable adult and related to separation from work related to the death, illness, or disability of a family member.

SHB 2785/SB 6537 (Lekanoff/McCoy) – Concerning the membership of the criminal justice training commission. CAPAA signed in support. Passed House 98-0. Passed Senate 49-0. Governor signed on March 18. Effective date June 11, 2020.

- Adds an additional public member and a representative of federally-recognized tribes to the Criminal Justice Training Commission (CJTC) for a total of 16 members.
- Requires one CJTC public member from east and one from west of the Cascade Mountains and at least one of the two public members must be from a historically underrepresented community or communities.
- Adds one tribal chair, board member, council member, or designee from a federally-recognized tribe with an active certification agreement with the CJTC.

SB 5395 (C. Wilson) – Concerning comprehensive sexual health education. Passed Senate 28-21. Passed House 56-40. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Requires every public school to provide comprehensive sexual health education that meets certain requirements.
- Directs public schools to use review tools when choosing sexual health education curricula that is not on a list developed by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- Requires school districts to annually report the curricula used to provide comprehensive sexual health education.

HB 2527 (Ramos) – Concerning the rights of Washingtonians during the United States census. CAPAA signed in support – not testifying. Passed House 66-30. Passed Senate 29-20. Governor signed on March 18, 2020. Effective immediately.

- Creates a Washington Census Bill of Rights and Responsibilities that affirms rights related to participating in the United States decennial Census (Census).
- Makes impersonating a Census taker a gross misdemeanor.
- Makes it an unfair or deceptive practice under the Consumer Protection Act to mail materials with the intent to interfere with Census operations

HB 2277/6112 (Peterson/C. Wilson) – Concerning youth solitary confinement. CAPAA signed in support - did not testify. Passed House 76-20. Passed Senate 36-13. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Prohibits the use of solitary confinement in juvenile facilities and institutions.
- Limits the use of isolation or room confinement in juvenile facilities and institutions.
- Requires adoption of a model policy relating to juvenile solitary confinement by July 1, 2021.
- Prohibits juveniles charged as adults from being held in adult jail for longer than 24 hours without a court order.
- Creates reporting requirements for county and state juvenile detention facilities and institutions.

HB 2567/SB 6522 (Thai/Wellman) – Concerning open courts. Passed House 55-43. Passed Senate 28-20. Governor signed on March 18, 2020. Effective June 11, 2020.

- Prohibits civil arrests inside or near state court facilities unless a court order authorizes arrest; arrest is necessary for immediate safety of judges, court staff, or public; or circumstances justify a warrantless arrest.
- Prohibits judges, court staff, court security personnel, and prosecutor's office staff from inquiring into or collecting immigration or citizenship status information except in certain circumstances.
- Prohibits judges, court staff, court security personnel, and prosecutor's office staff from disclosing nonpublic personal information about an individual to immigration authorities except as provided by law.
- Requires recordkeeping and reporting for federal and state law enforcement action at court facilities, and directs the Administrative Office of the Courts to publish collected information each quarter.

HB 2681/E2SSB 6205 (Stonier/Cleveland) – Preventing harassment, abuse, and discrimination experienced by long-term care workers. Passed Senate 37-11. Passed House 74-23. Awaiting signature from Governor. Effective date June 11, 2020, subject to signature.

- Requires home care agencies and the consumer directed employers to establish certain protocols related to employee discrimination and abuse.
- Requires the Department of Social and Health Services to convene a stakeholder work group to recommend best practices for training employers, workers, and service recipients to keep home care settings free from discrimination and abusive conduct.
- Authorizes L&I to enforce certain requirements relating to the policy, plan, informing workers, recordkeeping and retaliation.

ESSB 5473 (Saldaña) – Making unemployment benefits accessible to persons with family responsibilities and other availability issues and making clarifying changes. Passed Senate 40-6. Passed House 57-40. Awaiting signature from Governor. The bill contains several effective dates. Please refer to the bill.

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The following are bills which CAPAA tracked that did not pass during this legislative session:

ESSB 5908 (Das) – Providing training for equity and cultural competency in the public school system. Passed Senate 29-17. Died in House Rules Committee.

- Requires the development of a list of available equity, diversity, inclusion (EDI), and cultural competency training for school board directors.
- Requires that school board directors, and subject to funding, school district and school staff, be provided with ongoing EDI and cultural competency training that meets certain requirements, beginning in the 2020-21 school year.
- Directs school districts to focus first on these topics when there is new state funding for professional learning days, beginning with the 2021-22 school year.

SSB 6169 (Keiser) – Training on the prevention of harassment, discrimination, and retaliation. Died in Senate Ways & Means Committee.

- Creates a registration requirement for trainers and peer trainers who provide instruction relating to the prevention of harassment, discrimination, and retaliation in the workplace.

ESHB 2575 (Pellicciotti) – Concerning reforms to increase transparency and accountability of the Washington redistricting commission. Passed House 57-41. Died in Senate Rules Committee.

- Makes changes to the administration of the Washington Redistricting Commission (Commission), including altering staff and salary requirements.
- Adds requirements for Commission meetings and public forums, including notice and language access requirements.

SHB 2511/SSB 6247 (Saldaña) – Providing labor protections for domestic workers. Passed House 59-39. Passed Senate 48-1. House refuses to concur in Senate amendments; asks Senate to recede from amendments. Died during concurrence.

- Prohibits discrimination against a domestic worker; subjecting a domestic worker to hostile work environment; and retaliation against a domestic worker.
- Requires the Attorney's General's Office to develop a model disclosure statement and written agreement.
- Establishes a workgroup on domestic worker issues.

HB 2292/SSB 6228 (Dolan/Kuderer) – Restoring voter eligibility for all persons convicted of a felony offense who are not in total confinement under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections. Brought to floor of Senate, but then held on Calendar. Died in the Senate.

- Automatically restores voting rights for persons as soon as a sentence of total confinement under the jurisdiction of the Department of Corrections (DOC) is ended.
- Requires the Secretary of State to compare the voter rolls to a list of persons serving sentences of total confinement under DOC jurisdiction at least once a month.

- Makes conforming changes regarding the voter oath, jury pool, and DOC notification of voting rights.

HB 1459 (Sullivan) – Establishing a running start summer school pilot program. Died in House Education Committee.

- Establishes, subject to state funding, the Running Start Summer School Pilot Program (Pilot Program).
- Directs the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (College Board) to select three applicant institutions of higher education to participate in the Pilot Program.
- Directs the College Board to report findings and recommendations on the Pilot Program to the Governor and the Legislature by November 15, 2021.

HB 1892 (Morgan) – Eliminating lunch copays for students who qualify for reduced-price lunches. Died in House Appropriations Committee.

- Eliminates lunch copays for students who qualify for reduced-price lunches under the National School Lunch Program.

HB 1527/SB 5810 (Entenman/Nguyen) – Providing a working families' tax credit. Holdover from previous legislative session; no progress made this session.

- Expands the eligibility and benefits of the Working Families Tax Exemption Program.
- Makes other technical modifications to the administration and name of the program.

6. CAPAA PROJECTS

Census 2020 Full Count Effort

CAPAA adopted three counties where there are high concentrations of AAPI's in Washington State, with great risk of a population undercount. Census 2020 returns as of March 27th are as follows:

- Nationally - 30%
- Washington State - 32.6 %
- Clark County - 35.6%
- Thurston - 34.4%
- Whitman County - 28.7% - Low numbers make sense because WSU's campus population makes up a large bit of Whitman County's population, and there is a scramble with finishing the semester, people being away and coming back due to Spring Break, and COVID-19. There was a note saying that some students should not return, and some students are stranded there, so stress level is high. Outreach via trusted messengers was going to be the key to reaching folks for a completely count effort. Short of that, the strategy may have to be a combination of old-school "phone tree" outreach coupled with an online outreach. Support for Whitman County in light of COVID-19 may look like:
 - A targeted digital campaign – one for students, one for Whitman County AAPI's.
 - Blast e-mail to business owners as outlined in CAPAA's Whitman County Strategic Work Plan
 - Phone banking to community members

7. COVID-19

Definitions:

- **Isolation:** Separation of people who are currently sick; highly contagious. Planet-wide strategy is isolation for 14 days.
- **Quarantine:** People who have not currently shown symptoms, but know they are at increased risk for having been exposed. Also asked to stay home for 14 days, even though they feel perfectly well. Prevents potential for transmission to others.
- **Stigma:** Occurs when people associate a risk with a specific people, place, or thing – like a minority population group – and there is no evidence that the risk is greater in that group than in the general population. Stigmatization is especially common in disease outbreaks. (https://emergency.cdc.gov/cerc/cerccorner/article_123016.asp)

The following are a list of APA Community Coordinated Response Efforts taking place in light of COVID-19:

- Weekly regional calls happening with City of Seattle, KC Public Health & State agencies
- Weekly CID-community calls
- Weekly calls with COVID-19 Community Response Alliance
- Monthly APIC statewide coordination meetings.

Upcoming Actions:

- Regular newsletter and Facebook updates with relevant announcements & resources.
- CAPAA APA Stakeholder Statewide Conference Call in the works for the week of 3/30 in conjunction with APIC-Washington.
- CAPAA Committees at work on various advocacy efforts (Education, Economic Development, Health & Human Services, Census 2020)
 - Letter from Education Committee to OSPI asking for updates and inclusion in decision-making
 - Anti-hate campaign by Civil Rights & Immigration Committee
 - CAPAA statement proposed by Health & Human Services Committee about closing the gap in services and opportunities for immigrants, refugees, limited permanent residents, undocumented folks, and people with a social security number
 - CAPAA efforts to bring mental health support to AAPI's in isolation
 - Economic Development Committee connecting APA small & micro business stakeholders with grant opportunities

Timeline of Developments (this is a non-exhaustive list of CAPAA activities COVID-19 milestones):

2/3 – E.D. Hasegawa co-produced blog post with Secretary of Health John Wiesman, [It Takes All of us to Reduce Stigma During Disease Outbreaks](#)

2/12 – CAPAA provided feedback to Governor Inslee's Office and Department of Health feedback regarding reports of discrimination against AAPI students. CAPAA recommended the Governor explicitly voice a narrative against discrimination and prejudice. CAPAA also recommend OSPI communicate with schools to ensure implementation efforts of DOH's recommendations *do not* violate people's civil and constitutional rights. DOH subsequently co-hosted a webinar in conjunction with OSPI for all school administrators and nurses to participate in on 2/25.

2/14 – CAPAA staff begin participating in weekly partnership calls with DOH and Public Health.

2/25 – Per CAPAA’s recommendation, DOH & OSPI co-hosted a webinar for all school administrators and nurses, attended by approximately 250 people.

2/25 – City of Seattle announces 30 - 60% decline in CID restaurant revenues in light of COVID-19. CAPAA continually receives updates from CID-based partners and the City of Seattle Office of Economic Development regarding reports of the economic impact upon AAPI businesses & opportunities serving them. CAPAA also made two inquiries to OMWBE, Employment Security Division, as well as DOC about support opportunities for businesses and workers in need. CAPAA continually works on language access to documents offered in English by various departments.

2/26 – CAPAA participates in multi-agency coordination meeting. Recommends:

- Translating materials into Tagalog and Marshallese (received)
- Making anti-stigma resources available in multiple languages (in progress)
- Coupling all COVID-19 updates with anti-stigma messaging (in progress)

2/26 – “Lunch in the CID” media event attended by CAPAA staff featuring Mayor Jenny Durkan at Honeycourt Restaurant to encourage support of CID businesses.

2/29 – Governor Inslee issues COVID-19 Emergency Proclamation

3/3 – King County establishes [impromptu COVID-19](#) quarantine site in White Center, WA. CAPAA staff contacted with complaints that community was not consulted with. CAPAA staff attended public meetings at White Center CDA to hear community concerns about quarantine center location & decision-making processes.

3/4 – 600 teachers in Seattle Public Schools call in sick, a 33% (statistically significant) spike above the average sick day “call-out” rate. School districts also experience a severe substitute teacher shortage.

3/5 – VP Pence visits Washington State to discuss support services & providing test kits for Washington State.

3/6 – CAPAA attends 2 hour public health training conference call: Seattle, King County & Washington State declared state of emergency. P.E. and music teachers asked to cover other classes. DOH publishes guidance documents for local jurisdiction and tribal nation preparedness partners.

3/7 – CDC backup forces arrive to assist with testing and control measures. Washington State’s response will become the template for the rest of the nation.

3/10 – Governor Inslee issues E.O. to protect elders in long-term care facilities, including screening of staff for symptoms, limiting visitors to adults only, monitoring all residents and social distancing within facilities.

3/10 – CAPAA connected Public Health with Thai, Khmer & Marshallese interpreters. Made the inquiry about other languages, and were informed of budget deficit and staffing shortages to do so.

3/11 – Governor Inslee issues E.O. prohibiting all events of (x > 250); Urged school districts to create contingency plans for school closures. KC Executive Dow Constantine issued E.O. prohibiting smaller events unless steps are taken to minimize risk (1. older and vulnerable individuals are encouraged not to attend; employees are screened each day for symptoms; social distancing recommendations are met; environmental cleaning guidelines are followed.)

3/12 – Governor Inslee orders public school closures for King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties.

3/13 – Governor Inslee announced the statewide closure of all schools, to begin at 12:01am on March 17, 2020, until 12:00pm on April 24, 2020, unless extended beyond that date. During closures, students *and families* in need will have access to meals at school. Additionally, child care will be provided for free to any family where the parent of primary caretaker is a health care practitioner. He also issued a proclamation related to 2-year colleges, 4-year colleges, private career colleges, and apprenticeship training programs to begin at 12:01am on March 17, 2020, until 12:00pm on April 24, 2020, unless extended beyond that date. This proclamation prohibits all in-person classroom instruction, except for labs/clinics. However, the following can continue:

- Labs and clinics if social distancing (6-feet) is imposed AND a person is designated to implement/ensure implementation.
- Core functions, including dorms, food service, research and medical clinics.

School closures have been intensely debated between public health experts around the country. Crux of the debate is whether to close schools vs. to keep them open. (Italy kept them open; China & Korea kept them open.) Things to consider: 1) School closures are a tool in the pandemic influenza toolbox because students significantly to the transmission of viruses in the community. Governor will meet with Superintendents around Puget Sound area.

3/15 – Governor Inslee orders statewide shutdown of restaurants, bars and expanded social gathering limits. The shutdown includes restaurants, food courts, bars and taverns, wine, beer and spirits tasting venues, doughnut shots and ice cream parlors, coffee shops, sit down airport restaurants and bars, theaters, bowling alleys, gyms and fitness centers, non-tribal card rooms, museums, art galleries, tattoo parlors, barbers, hair salons & nail salons.

Pandemic impacts the state of the health care system: rapid influx of patients makes capacity to provide care tight in the Puget sound area. Health care system is leaning forward and discussing strategies to deal with medical surges, and whether to create COVID-19 units, how to cohort patients, postponing elective surgeries, and other issues. Have been receiving shipments of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Currently, the demand exceeds supply, so priority will go to facilities with known COVID-19 cases.

3/17 – CAPAA connects DOH with independent language interpreters to support with COVID-19 response in the following languages: Tagalog, Khmer, Korean, Hindi, Farsi, Bengali, Karen, Hmong, Chin

3/18 – Governor Inslee issues a statewide moratorium on evictions for 30 days. Under this proclamation, landlords may still seek an eviction if they attest it is necessary for the health and safety of the tenant or others. Law enforcement may not enforce eviction orders based solely on non-payment of rent. He also waived the one-week waiting period for unemployment insurance applications. DSHS will expand the eligibility of the family emergency assistance program (to now include families without children)

3/22 – Governor Inslee issues a statewide “stay home, stay healthy” order. It is not called “shelter in place” because that is technically inaccurate. People may leave their homes for essential purposes.

3/25 – Governor Inslee issues a proclamation temporarily waiving certain requirements of the OPMA so CAPAA and others may host public forums online.

3/27 – U.S. House of Representatives approves the U.S. Senate’s stimulus package. Questions remain regarding the accessibility of resources on state a national level to immigrants, refugees, Legal Permanent Residents, undocumented folks, and those without a social security number.

8. CAPAA EVENTS

APA Heritage Month Celebration

Sunday, May 3, 2020 – **LIKELY CANCELED**

Seattle Center Armory

June Public Board Meeting – King County

Saturday, June 27, 2020 (4th Saturday)

10:00 – 2:00

Together Center, Garibaldi Room

16225 NE 87th St. Redmond, WA

September Public Board Meeting – Yakima County (Elections)

Saturday, September 12, 2020 (2nd Saturday)

10:00 – 2:00

Fil-Am Yakima

211 W 2nd St. Wapato, WA 98951

November Public Board Meeting – Snohomish County

Saturday, November 14th, 2020 (2nd Saturday)

10:00 – 2:00

Everett Community College (Exact Room TBD)

End of Year Celebration

TBD

APPENDIX I: Commissioner Activity Reports

Commissioner Name	Name of Activity	Date of Activity	Location	Issue Area
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Fil-Am Community of Yakima - Board Meeting	1/19/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Point in Time -Annual Homeless Count	1/23/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Coordination with APIC-Yakima	1/24/2020	Yakima County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Carrie Huie-Pascua	New Year Celebration - Japanese Community	1/25/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	League of Women Voters-Study Group on Homelessness	1/27/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Meeting with Japanese Community Leader	1/29/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Yakima Yakima 2020 Census Meeting	2/5/2020	Yakima County	Census 2020
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Advocacy Day - Interfaith Community	2/8/2020	Yakima County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Carrie Huie-Pascua	League of Women Voters-Homelessness Study Group	2/10/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	NAMI Lobby Day	2/17/2020	Thurston County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Yakima Yakima 2020 Census Coalition	2/19/2020	Yakima County	Census 2020
Carrie Huie-Pascua	APIC coordination meeting	2/21/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	NAMI - Yakima planning meeting	2/28/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Sukiyaki Dinner - Japanese community fundraiser	2/29/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Filipino American Community annual elections	3/1/2020	Yakima County	support for Filipino American Community organization
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Sukiyaki Fundraiser	3/1/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Yakima Yakima 2020 Census coalition	3/4/2020	Yakima County	Census 2020
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Mabuhay Foundation meeting	3/5/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Carrie Huie-Pascua	NAMI-Yakima online presence	3/10/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Filipino Amer. Community planning meeting	3/14/2020	Yakima County	Health and Safety actions - COVID-19
Carrie Huie-Pascua	League of Women Voters- Homelessness Study Group	3/16/2020	Yakima County	Health and Human Services
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Mabuhay Foundation - Scholarship Committee	3/17/2020	Yakima County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Carrie Huie-Pascua	Filipino Amer. Community - induction of 2020-2021 BOD	3/21/2020	Yakima County	API Cultural Awareness
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	CAPAA Board Meeting	1/18/2020	Pierce County	Quarterly CAPAA meeting addressing community needs
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF)	1/20/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander Health Education Summit: \	1/21/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
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Ekkarath Sisavatdy	SEARAC January Community Call / Census 2020	1/23/2020	King County	Census 2020
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	NSRCF Outreach Committee meeting	1/27/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	CIRC Coalition Meeting with Senator Warren's Team	2/1/2020	King County	Sharing community needs and encouraging more open dialogue
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander Health Education Summit (S	2/3/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF)	2/10/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF)	2/12/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Pom Foundation Annual Fundraising	2/22/2020	King County	API Cultural Awareness
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander Health Education Summit (S	2/24/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF)	3/1/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Introduction video of myself to Rosa Mai	3/2/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF)	3/3/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Education Committee Meeting	3/12/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	1 on 1 meeting with ED Hasegawa and Ed Committee Chair	3/20/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Ekkarath Sisavatdy	Advocating for Lao, Hmong, Khmu, Mien Language translation si	3/20/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Helen Christensen	January 2020 Board Meeting	1/18/2020	Pierce County	January board meeting
Helen Christensen	Attended the Vancouver Chinese New Year Gala	1/18/2020	Clark County	Meeting Vancouver area Chinese community members
Lalita Uppala	COVID Press Conference King County	2/6/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Lalita Uppala	Coronavirus Press Conference	2/7/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Lalita Uppala	Census Outreach	2/8/2020	King County	Census 2020
Lalita Uppala	Immigrant safety forum	2/13/2020	King County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
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Lalita Uppala	Hate & Racism Conversation by Eastside Police Chiefs	2/14/2020	King County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lalita Uppala	Census 2020 outreach & engagement	3/23/2020	King County	Census 2020
Lalita Uppala	COVID 19 Webibar in health community and immigration impac	3/26/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Lisa Dickinson	Meeting with NAPABA leadership	2/13/2020	Austin TX	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lisa Dickinson	ABA Midyear Meeting - Don Tamaki Spirit of Excellence Present	2/15/2020	Austin Tx	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lisa Dickinson	ABA Midyear Meeting House of Delegates	2/17/2020	Austin TX	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lisa Dickinson	Asian Bar Assoc of WA Board Mtg	3/12/2020	remote/phone	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lisa Dickinson	Association of WA Businesses Covid-19 Webinar	3/23/2020	teleconference	Economic Development
Lisa Dickinson	Using Social Media in Census Outreach	3/23/2020	Spokane County	Census 2020
Lori Wada	Sen. Rosa Franklyn book signing	1/30/2020	Pierce County	N/A
Lori Wada	Retail Association meeting	1/30/2020	King County	Economic Development
Lori Wada	Korean Language School Coalition meeting	2/7/2020	King County	API Cultural Awareness
Lori Wada	Korean Association Census meeting	2/14/2020	King County	Census 2020
Lori Wada	Korean Association meeting	2/14/2020	King County	Korean Association business planning meeting
Lydia Lafaitale Faitalia	Community Meeting	1/19/2020	Pierce County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Lydia Lafaitale Faitalia	RFI Community Meeting	1/21/2020	King County	Health and Human Services
Lydia Lafaitale Faitalia	CRISP Presentation	1/21/2020	Pierce County	Health and Human Services
Mohan Gurung	Asian Pacific Leadership Meeting with Governor	1/28/2020	Thurston County	budget and international Trade
Mohan Gurung	Nepali Language School	2/9/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Mohan Gurung	Census 2020	2/19/2020	King County	Census 2020
Nam Nguyen	APA Legislative Day	1/28/2020	Thurston County	All of the above
Nam Nguyen	APIC South Puget Sound Census	3/16/2020	Thurston County	Census 2020
Sina Sam	CAPAA BOARD MTG	1/18/2020	Pierce County	ALL ABOVE
Sina Sam	Meeting with KhAAG community	1/20/2020	King County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Sina Sam	Met with AAPI community in Vancouver WA	2/1/2020	Clark County	Civic engagement
Sina Sam	OSPI Language Access Workgroup Mtg	2/13/2020	Pierce County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Sina Sam	WAISN Call	2/19/2020	Conference call	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Sina Sam	Pre-interview call for podcast	2/25/2020	Zoom call	API Cultural Awareness
Sina Sam	Speaker for SEARAC Community Webinar	2/27/2020	Webinar	API Cultural Awareness
Sina Sam	National Rapid Response Call re Lao Deportations	3/2/2020	Conference call	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Tam Dinh	Lunar New Year Proclamation	1/24/2020	Thurston County	API Cultural Awareness
Tam Dinh	Vietnamese Legislative Day	1/28/2020	Thurston County	Civil Rights, Immigration & Justice
Tam Dinh	Education Committee Work re:COVID-19 Education Response	3/12/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Tam Dinh	Education Committee Work: COVID-19 Education Response	3/17/2020	Pierce County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Tam Dinh	Education Committee Work: COVID-19 Education Response	3/18/2020	King County	Education (Early Education, K-12, & Higher Education)
Tam Dinh	Community Health and Mental Health Need Survey	3/18/2020	King County	Health and Human Services