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The 13% and Growing Coalition is a group of over 45 Asian led and serving organizations in New York City aiming for a fair budget to protect the most vulnerable Asian Pacific American (APA) New Yorkers. Coalition members employ thousands of New Yorkers and serve hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers. We advocate for improved youth, aging, women, low-income, health and immigrant services.

Purpose of Policy Brief: This policy brief provides an current overview of the current status of funding to various APA communities around New York City by taking a glimpse at City Council discretionary funding and various APA populations that are increasing in each borough. We want to thank the City Council for their support in FY 2013, and also highlight community based organizations (CBOs) that are currently serving emerging populations of APAs. For FY 2014, we would like to work with City Council to increase funding to Asian led CBOs so that they can continue to serve the growing needs of our community, and increase levels of service where needed.

Data: We looked at a combination of data that we analyzed from publicly available FY 2013 budget documents, the U.S. Census Bureau, 2007-2011 American Community Survey, NYC Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, NYC Center for Economic Opportunity, Asian Americans for Equality's report *Distinct Places – Shared Opportunities: A Neighborhood Based Analysis of Asian Americans in New York City*, and Chhaya Community Development Corporation's report *Deepening Roots and Creating Space: Building a Better Future for New York's South Asians*. Throughout the report, whenever we refer to Limited English Proficient (LEP) we are referring to individuals who speak English less than "very well". Additionally, the figures we have provided on children are youth between 0-17 years of age.

Demographics: APAs are, by percentage, the fastest growing group in the country, nearly doubling every decade since 1970. In fact, New York City has the largest APA population of any U.S. city making up 13% of the City's population. This large and diverse population includes people from over 40 cultures and ethnic groups who speak more than 150 languages and dialects.

- In New York City, **26.6%** of all APAs are living in poverty, the second highest of all racial groups with the highest senior poverty rates. **1 out of 2** APA children are born into poverty and more than **1 out of 5** live in poverty.
- The median per capita income for APA's in NYC is **\$26,386 compared to** \$43,162, the per capita income for NYC White, Non-Hispanics.
- APAs have the highest rate (**42%**) of linguistic isolation of any racial group, meaning that no one over the age of 14 in a household speaks English exclusively, or "very well".
- **50%** of APA working-age adults and **75%** of APA senior citizens are limited English proficient, compared with 24% and 32% of corresponding city-wide populations.
- **1,038,388** APAs made up **13%** of the total NYC population in 2010, representing a **32% growth since 2000**.

Inequities: Despite these needs, the APA community does not receive a fair share of public and private resources. **APAs receive less than 1% of the City's Social Service Contracting Dollars the City's foundation grant dollars.** 13% and Growing Coalition has been working closely with the New York City Council to ensure that APAs receive increased amounts of both City Council Discretionary funding and City

Council Initiative funding. With support from the majority of the City Council, we accomplished increases for the APA community in both funding streams.

Why Asian led and Asian serving groups are important

New York City government often partners with nonprofit organizations to provide direct human service programs. Such programs, such as workforce development, health care, child care, and senior services are critical in reducing poverty and increasing well being in communities. In the APA community, where the population is quickly growing, these services become increasingly critical.

In New York City, CBOs capable of responding to the unique cultural and language needs of community members help to ensure that community members can efficiently access needed services and to reduce misunderstandings caused by cultural and linguistic barriers. Culturally competent and language accessible services are wise investments that appropriately address the needs of racial, ethnic and linguistic populations groups that experience unequal access to services. Without culturally competent and language accessible services, community members may experience delayed access to services in the short term, which can result in costlier interventions in the long term.

When it comes to the diverse APA populations, organizations with board members, staff members and a mission that emphasizes the APA community are often better equipped to provide these much needed services.

A Citywide Snapshot of City Council Discretionary & Initiative Funding to Asian led groups

City Council Discretionary Funding – **Asian led groups have received \$1,109,732 in Council Discretionary Funding** through individual member items in the FY 2013 budget, which represents a 12.3% increase from last year. We thank our allies on the City Council for their support of Asian led organizations. However, **this total is only 2.2% of the \$49.5 million in total City Council discretionary funding.**

FY 2012	FY 2013
\$987,825 in discretionary funding	\$1,113,632 in discretionary funding
43 Asian-led organizations	46 Asian-led organizations
2% of discretionary funding	2.3% of discretionary funding

City Council Initiative Funding - The FY 2013 budget allocated over \$349 million in Initiative Funding to agencies and the City Council. Examples of key initiatives for the APA community include the Immigrant Opportunities Initiative (IOI) and Adult Literacy. **Asian led groups have received \$1,100,058 in total Initiative Funding**, which represents a 16.4% increase from last year. We are grateful for the increase in these dire times. However, **this total is only 0.32% of total initiative funding from City Council and City Agencies.**

FY 2012	FY 2013
\$945,303 in initiative funding	\$1,100,058
16 Asian-led organizations	19 Asian-led organizations
0.28% of initiative funding	0.32% of initiative funding

Speakers Funding – The FY 2013 budget allocated nearly \$16,000,000 in citywide Speakers funding to agencies in all five boroughs. This year, eight Asian-Led organizations were awarded \$175,000 to fund

citywide programs that serve a diverse population of Asian Pacific Americans. This is an increase of \$20,000 and an additional organization from FY 2012. We will continue to work with the Speaker to highlight the many programs serving the APA community throughout New York City.

Community Growth: In addition to the communities that have historically been viewed as APA strongholds, for FY 2013 we would like to highlight those districts that have budding APA communities, and thus, emerging needs. Many of these communities are being served by existing Asian led CBOs that exist closeby, or many community members travel to receive services from CBOs that can provide culturally competent and linguistically accessible services.

We hope to continue our work with the City Council in ensuring that the APA community continues to receive increases in both discretionary and initiative funding in FY 2013. The existence of culturally competent, linguistically appropriate, and immigrant accessible services is a unique strength of Asian-led providers in their communities. The future of the APA population is directly correlated with the future of New York City. We look forward to our continued work with the City Council to address the needs of the fastest growing community in New York.

13% and Growing Coalition Member Organizations

Adhikaar ▪ Andolan - Organizing South Asian Workers ▪ APEX ▪ Arab American Family Support Center ▪ Asian American Arts Alliance ▪ Asian Americans for Equality ▪ Asian American Federation ▪ Asian Outreach Clinic, Child Center of New York ▪ Asian & Pacific Islander Coalition on HIV/AIDS ▪ Asian Youth Center of NY ▪ Center for the Integration and Advancement of New Americans ▪ Chhaya CDC ▪ Chinatown Manpower Project ▪ Chinese-American Planning Council ▪ Chinese Progressive Association ▪ Coalition for Asian American Children & Families (co-lead) ▪ Council of Peoples Organization ▪ Damayan Migrant Workers Association ▪ Desis Rising Up and Moving ▪ Family Health Project ▪ Filipino American Human Services, Inc. ▪ Greater Chinatown Community Association ▪ Hamilton Madison House ▪ Homecrest Community Services ▪ Indochina Sino-American Community Center ▪ Immigrant Social Services ▪ Kalusugan Coalition, Inc. ▪ Korean American Family Service Center ▪ Korean American League for Civic Action ▪ Korean Community Services of Metropolitan New York, Inc. ▪ Korean Family Counseling and Research Center ▪ Lower East Side Family Union ▪ MAAWS for Global Welfare, Inc. ▪ Mekong ▪ MinKwon Center for Community Action (co-lead) ▪ New York Asian Women's Center ▪ New York Coalition for Asian American Mental Health ▪ NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health ▪ NYU South Asian Health Initiative ▪ SAKHI for South Asian Women ▪ Sikh Coalition ▪ South Asian Council for Social Services ▪ South Asian Youth Action ▪ Turning Point for Women and Families ▪ United Chinese Association of Brooklyn ▪ United Hindu Council Senior Center ▪ United Sikhs ▪ Women for Afghan Women ▪ YWCA of Queens

(List in formation as of January 1, 2013)

I. Current High APA Population Boroughs: Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens

Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Queens have large and diverse Asian Pacific American (APA) populations throughout each respective borough. While Manhattan is most renowned for its Chinatown, there has been a steady increase of APAs in other parts of the borough. Brooklyn and Queens boast populations from all over Asia and the Pacific Islands – from the fastest growing Chinese population in Bensonhurst, to the South Asian enclaves in central Queens, to the burgeoning Bangladeshi neighborhoods in Brooklyn. In addition to the high population of APAs that reside there, the highest concentration of Asian led and Asian serving community based organizations (CBOs) are spread through Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Queens. Thus, APAs are living, working, and building communities throughout all three boroughs.

Manhattan

Of the \$6,566,826 in City Council Discretionary Dollars given in Manhattan, only \$139,000¹, or 2.1% was given to Asian Led Organizations.

The APA Population in Manhattan

- The APA population in Manhattan has grown by **24%** since 2000, accounting for **11%** of all Manhattan residents.
- Chinatown has the **second-largest** community of APAs by district in the City.
- APA per capita income of **\$48,264** was lower than the overall Manhattan figure of \$59,149.
- **38%** of elderly APAs, as opposed to 19% of all Manhattan seniors, live in poverty.

District by District Analysis

On the next page is 13% and Growing Coalition’s analysis of discretionary giving in the 10 Manhattan City Council Districts. We focused on those with a significant population (12% or greater) of APAs in the district which are highlighted in **bold**.

District	Neighborhoods ²	% APA living in District	Total Discretionary Dollars to Asian-Led Organizations	Total Discretionary Dollars	% Given to Asian-Led Organizations	Number of Asian Led Groups Funded
1	SoHo, NoHo, TriBeCa, Washington Square South, South Village, Battery Park City, Wall Street, South Street Seaport, City Hall area, Little Italy, Chinatown, Lower East Side	35.94%	\$121,500	\$488,964	24.8%	11

¹ Amount includes City Council Manhattan Delegation Dollars, but does not include Speaker’s List funding or private sources.

² These are the neighborhoods in each district per the City Council Website (<http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>)

2	Lower East Side, East Village, Gramercy Park, Rosehill, Kips Bay, Southern Part of Murray Hill	14.67%	\$0	\$450,914	N/A	N/A
3	Greenwich Village, Chelsea, Midtown, Clinton/Hell's Kitchen, Portions of Murray Hill	12.38%	\$0	\$832,964	N/A	N/A
4	Upper East Side, Central Park South, Grand Central, Tudor City, Waterside, Peter Cooper Village, Carnegie Hill, Stuyvesant Town, United Nations, part of Yorkville, Turtle Bay	10.44%	\$0	\$467,964	N/A	N/A
5	Beekman, Sutton Place, Upper East Side, Yorkville, Roosevelt Island; Parts of Turtle Bay, Carnegie Hill	9.75%	\$0	\$788,964	N/A	N/A
6	West Side – 55 th to 96 th Streets	8.46%	\$0	\$471,964	N/A	N/A
7	Parts of: West Harlem, Washington Heights, Inwood, Central Harlem and Morningside Heights	3.01%	\$0	\$762,201	N/A	N/A
8	Manhattan Valley, East Harlem; Part of Mott Haven in the Bronx	5.74%	\$5,000	\$660,464	N/A	N/A
9	Central Harlem, parts of Morningside Heights, Upper West Side, East Harlem	5.72%	\$0	\$950,464	N/A	N/A
10	Washington Heights, Inwood, Marble Hill	1.90%	\$0	\$505,464	N/A	N/A

Growing Pockets of APAs in Manhattan

- The Asian Indian segment in the area grew by **77%**, Vietnamese **60%**, and minority Asian segment, including Hmong, Cambodian, and Laotians by **70%**.
- In East Harlem South and East Harlem North (parts of City Council Districts 8 and 9), there has been an **83.2%** and **238.7%** increase, respectively, in the APA population since 2000.

Discretionary Dollars at work in Manhattan

APICHA Community Health Center

Since the fall of 1989, APICHA mission has been to improve the health of our community and to increase access to comprehensive primary care, preventive health services, mental health and supportive services. Through emergency treatment, psychiatric and psychological treatment, disease Control and interpretation services, APICHA has been committed to providing culturally competent services that enhance the quality of life for Asian Pacific American communities. APICHA advocates for and provides a welcoming environment for underserved and vulnerable people, especially Asians and Pacific Islanders, the LGBT Community and individuals living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.”

Through discretionary funds from Council Member Chin and Council Member Dromm, APICHA Community Health Center was able to hire peers to conduct community health education to the APA community as well as hire consultants to upgrade their website to improve communication about APICHA’s services online.

Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE)

AAFE, has worked to advances the rights of Asian Americans and all those in need through advocacy and access in civil rights, immigrant assistance, social services, affordable housing, and economic development. Their mission has been to empower Asian American communities through research and publishing that embody the community’s issues and concerns. For almost 40 years, AAFE has fostered understanding and unity among diverse communities through building coalitions and forming collaborations.

The discretionary funds that AAFE received in FY 2013 will go towards several different programs including Teen Action, a program that promotes leadership development and peer support among immigrant and English language learning (ELL) high school students as well as the immigrant services program that provides culturally sensitive in-language counseling and ESOL education to the APA immigrant population. Additionally, discretionary funds will go towards the Neighborhood Stabilization program which helps stable and vibrant communities through education and counseling as first time home owners, mortgage application packaging services and foreclosure prevention counseling.

New York Asian Women’s Center (NYAWC)

For over thirty years, NYAWC has aided women and their children in overcoming domestic violence and other forms of abuse. NYAWC supports women and children by empowering them to govern their own lives. Through community outreach, providing a safe haven for women and children, as well as offering legal services for immigrants, NYAWC has supported women and children into a better life.

The New York Asian Women’s Center will use the FY 2013 discretionary funding to help support their toll free 24/7 multilingual hotline which provides counseling, general information about domestic violence, referrals to other agencies and emergency interpretation. The funding will also support Project Speak Out, a program that works to debunk the culture of silence and increase recognition and knowledge about Domestic Violence in the Asian Pacific American community.

Brooklyn

Of the \$11,066,927 in City Council Discretionary Dollars given in Brooklyn, only \$380,375³, or 3.4% was given to Asian Led Organizations

The APA Population in Brooklyn

- The APA population in Brooklyn grew **41%** since 2000, accounting for **11%** of Brooklyn’s population.
- Of Brooklyn’s APA adults, **38%** had not graduated from high school.
- **61%** of APA working-age adults and **87%** of APA senior citizens are limited English proficient, compared with 24% and 36% of corresponding borough-wide populations.
- **30%** of the borough’s APA children live in poverty. **28%** of Brooklyn’s elderly APAs are impoverished—a higher rate than the 23% for senior citizens borough-wide.

District by District Analysis

Below is 13% and Growing Coalition’s analysis of discretionary giving in the 16 Brooklyn City Council Districts. We focused on those with a significant population (12% or greater) of APAs in the district which are highlighted in **bold**.

District	Neighborhoods ⁴	% APA living in District	Total Discretionary Dollars to Asian-Led Organizations	Total Discretionary Dollars	% Given to Asian-Led Organizations	Number of Asian Led Groups Funded
33	Brooklyn Heights, Greenpoint; Parts of Williamsburg, Park Slope, Boerum Hill	4.81%	\$0	\$655,464	N/A	N/A
34	Williamsburg and Bushwick, Brooklyn; Ridgewood, Queens	7.09%	\$8,000	\$618,714	N/A	1
35	Clinton Hill, Fort Greene; parts of Crowne Heights, Prospect Heights, Bedford-Stuyvesant	4.56%	\$3,500	\$481,964	0.7%	1
36	Bedford-Stuyvesant, Crown Heights	2.13%	\$0	\$735,964	N/A	N/A
37	East New York, Bushwick, Cypress Hills, City Line, Ocean Hill-Brownsville, Wyckhoff Heights	6.25%	\$40,000	\$955,464	4.2%	2

³ Amount includes City Council Brooklyn Delegation Dollars, but does not include Speaker’s List Funding or private sources.

⁴ These are the neighborhoods in each district per the City Council Website (<http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>)

38	Bay Ridge Towers, Boerum Hill, Brooklyn Waterfront, Gowanus Houses, Park Slope, Red Hook, Sunset Park, Windsor Terrace, Wycoff Gardens	32.72%	\$92,000	\$580,464	15.8%	5
39	Cobble Hill, Carroll Gardens, Columbia Waterfront, Park Slope, Gowanus, Windsor Terrace, Kensington, Boro Park	12.50%	\$30,000	\$495,464	6.1%	6
40	Kensington, Prospect-Lefferts, Ditmas Park, parts of Crown Heights, Flatbush, East Flatbush	5.30%	\$10,000	\$605,464	1.7%	1
41	Parts of Bedford-Stuyvesant, Ocean Hill-Brownsville, East Flatbush	0.71%	\$0	\$426,964	N/A	N/A
42	Parts of East New York, Brownsville, East Flatbush, Canarsie	1.92%	\$0	\$399,464	N/A	N/A
43	Bay Ridge, Bath Beach, Dyker Heights, Bensonhurst, Bath Beach	24.17%	\$20,000	\$456,964	4.4%	6
44	Borough park, Midwood, Bensonhurst	16.74%	\$60,000	\$617,714	9.7%	3
45	Flatbush, East Flatbush, Flatlands, parts of Midwood and Canarsie	3.00%	\$5,000	\$472,464	1.1%	1
46	Bergen Beach, Canarsie, Georgetowne, Starrett City, Flatlands, Futurama, Marine Park, Mill Basin, Mill Island, Gerritsen Beach, Madison, Sheepshead Bay	6.21%	\$15,000	\$1,185,464	1.3%	3
47	Coney Island, Gravesend, Bensonhurst, Brighton Beach	19.38%	\$4,000	\$1,556,464	0.3%	4

48	Manhattan Beach, Sheepshead Bay, Madison and Midwood	14.33%	\$50,000	\$552,464	9.1%	2
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Growing Pockets of APAs in Brooklyn

- **1 out of 3 residents of Bensonhurst** (parts of City Council Districts 43, 44, and 47) are APA.
- **26.3% of residents in Sunset Park and Windsor Terrace** (parts of City Council districts 38 and 39) are APA.
- As of the 2010 Census, **17% of New York City’s South Asians live in Brooklyn.**

Discretionary Dollars at Work in Brooklyn

Arab American Family Support Center (AAFSC)

The AAFSC was designed in 1994 to provides comprehensive social services to Arab American immigrant families and children in NY. AAFSC has multiple education training programs that develop language skills as well as leadership development. The AAFSC also offers academic counseling and legal services dealing with subjects like immigrants rights and citizenship assistance. The AAFSC also utilizes case management to aide in parenting skills and provide routes for families to have healthcare.

They provide one-on-one tutoring to immigrants preparing for their citizenship exams, in addition to ESL classes that focus on women’s empowerment and health. AAFSC used their FY 2013 discretionary funding to expand their civics ESL and citizenship exam program.

Homecrest Community Services

In 1997, Homecrest began its mission of improving the quality of life of the Asian American immigrant and disadvantaged elderly populations in Brooklyn. Offering seniors homebound meals as well as adult education and citizenship assistance, Homecrest has helped seniors and immigrants achieve greater self-sufficiency.

Homecrest will use their FY 2013 discretionary funding to provide educational and recreational services for Asian American seniors including health and wellness classes, tai-chi, exercise, group singing, dance classes, community workshops, and ESL classes.

Queens

Of the \$8,345,678 in City Council Discretionary Dollars given in Queens, only \$392,357⁵, or 4.7% was given to Asian Led organizations.

The APA Population in Queens

- **52%** of APA working-age adults and **72%** of elderly APAs are limited English proficient, compared with 32% and 35% of corresponding borough-wide populations.
- **19%** of APA senior citizens are impoverished; Queens overall poverty rate for seniors is 13%.
- The APA population in Queens has grown by **31%** since 2000 despite almost stagnant overall growth in the borough, making up **23%** of all residents in Queens.

District by District Analysis

Below is 13% and Growing Coalition's analysis of discretionary giving in the 14 Queens City Council Districts. We focused on those with a significant population (12% or greater) of APAs in the district which are highlighted in **bold**.

The borough of Queens has the highest concentration of high APA population districts in New York City. 11 out of 14 of the districts have between 13%-53% of APAs in their districts.

District	Neighborhoods ⁶	% APA living in District	Total Discretionary Dollars to Asian-Led Organizations	Total Discretionary Dollars	% Given to Asian-Led Organizations	Number of Asian Led Groups Funded
19	Bayside, College Point, Auburndale, Beechhurst, Bay Terrace, Flushing, Douglaston, Little Neck	28.02%	\$24,000	\$409,071	5.9%	7
20	Flushing, Queensboro Hill, Mitchell Gardens, Kissena Park, Harding Heights, Auburndale, part of Whitestone	64.09%	\$164,250	\$513,321	32%	19
21	Corona, Elmhurst, East Elmhurst, Jackson Heights	12.56%	\$40,000	\$583,321	6.9%	5
22	Astoria, Long Island City; parts of Jackson Heights, Rikers, Randalls and Wards Islands	13.02%	\$0	\$625,321	N/A	N/A

⁵ Amount includes City Council Queens Delegation Dollars, but does not include Speaker's List funding or private sources.

⁶ These are the neighborhoods in each district per the City Council Website (<http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>)

23	Hollis Hills, Queens Village, Little Neck, Douglaston, Bayside, Bellerose, Floral Park, Glen Oaks, New Hyde Park, Hollis, Hollis Park Gardens, Holliswood, Fresh Meadows, Oakland Gardens	36.62%	\$30,000	\$565,571	5.3%	5
24	Briarwood, Fresh Meadows, Hillcrest, Hillcrest Estates, Jamaica Estates, Kew Gardens Hills, Utopia Estates, and parts of Forest Hills, Flushing, Jamaica and Rego Park	28.81%	\$8,000	\$603,321	1.3%	2
25 ⁷	Jackson Heights, Elmhurst, East Elmhurst, Rego Park, Woodside, Corona	34.49%	\$48,250	\$582,321	8.3%	10
26	Woodside, Sunnyside, Long Island City, Astoria, Maspeth	27.07%	\$12,000	\$573,321	2.1%	3
27	St. Albans, Hollis, Cambria Heights, Jamaica, Baisley Park, Addisleigh Park, parts of Queens Village, Rosedale, Springfield Gardens	6.71%	\$22,500	\$1,101,321	2.0%	6
28	Jamaica, Rochdale Village, Richmond Hill	15.48%	\$10,000	\$578,321	1.7%	2
29	Forest Hills, Rego Park, Kew Gardens; parts of Maspeth, Richmod, Elmhurst	27.60%	\$10,500	\$668,264	1.6%	2
30	Glendale, Maspeth, Middle Village, Richmond Hill, Ridgewood, Woodhaven	8.32%	\$0	\$395,571	N/A	N/A
31	Rosedale, Laurelton, Springfield Gardens, Far Rockaway, Arverne, Bayswater, Edgemere	1.82%	N/A	\$578,321	N/A	N/A

⁷ Updated data from Council Members Office

32	Howard Beach, Ozone Park, South Ozone Park, Hamilton Beach, Lindenwood, South Richmond Hill, Woodhaven, Richmond Hill, Broad Channel, Rockaway Beach, Rockaway Park, Neponsit, Belle Harbor, Breezy Point	14.70%	N/A	\$568,321	N/A	N/A
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Growing Pockets of APAs in Queens

- The **Chinese population** has grown by **43%**, **Filipino community by 25%**, **Japanese community by 25%**, and **minority APAs, including the Hmong, Cambodian, Laotian communities, by 97%** since 2000.
- **4 out of the top 5 community districts** with the largest APA population in NYC are in Queens, in the Flushing, Bayside, Woodside, and Elmhurst neighborhoods.
- **1 in 4 residents of Forest Hills** (City Council Districts 24 and 29) and **1 in 8 residents of Richmond Hill** (City Council Districts 28, 30, 32) are APA.
- **13.9% of Astoria residents** (City Council Districts 22 and 26) and **31.7% of Fresh Meadows Residents** (City Council Districts 23 and 24) are APA.

Discretionary Dollars at work in Queens

Korean American Family Service Center (KAFSC)

KAFSC for nearly 25 years has pushed in creating a violence free society. The mission of KAFSC is centered around preventing and ending domestic violence and relationship abuse. With community outreach, mentoring, and community service events, KAFSC continues to impact the lives of community members as well give strength to the community in helping itself. KAFSC also provides health education and support to the community.

FY 2013 Discretionary funding will be used towards KAFSC’s Transitional Housing Program that provides critical housing information and short-term housing assistance to women and children who need physical security. Short term housing is provided for up to 18 months with rental payments so individuals are able to receive occupational training to rebuild their lives. KAFSC also provides counseling and other critical support services to those who participate in the program.

YWCA of Queens

The YWCA of Queens is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. This encompassing mission is supported by social, academic, and economical programs that act as catalyst for change in the local community. The YWCA of Queens offers courses for GED and high school diplomas as well as aid in workforce development. Since 1978, the YWCA of Queens has given community members training in language skills, provided after school programming for children, senior centers for the elderly, as well as hosted art and cultural events that collates with their overall mission.

The YWCA of Queens will use FY 2013 discretionary funding for their ESL program that currently serves approximately 400 students a year.

II. Boroughs with Growing APA Populations: Bronx and Staten Island

Although the Bronx and Staten Island are not historically considered APA enclaves, the expanding population of APAs citywide has created several thriving niche neighborhoods among the APA community, such as the Sri Lankan and Chinese populations in Staten Island, and the myriad of APA communities in the Bronx. Currently, there are a limited number of Asian led and Asian serving CBOs in these two boroughs, and many current residents travel to Manhattan, Brooklyn, or Queens to get needed services. Many Asian led CBOs are working to expand their services to Staten Island and the Bronx to address the growing populations. We look forward to working with the City Council to ensure that all New Yorkers are getting the services they need.

Bronx

Of the \$5,372,708 in City Council Discretionary Dollars given in Bronx, only \$10,000⁸, or 0.2% was given to Asian Led organizations.

The APA Population in the Bronx

- The APA population in the Bronx grew by **22%** since 2000.
- The percentage of the total APA population in the Bronx who are limited English proficient was **24%**, compared with 25% of all Bronx residents.
- In terms of age, the Limited English Proficient (LEP) classification applied to **43%** of APA working-age adults and **62%** of elderly APAs, compared with 28% of working-age adults and 34% of senior citizens throughout the borough.
- **28%** of APA senior citizens in the Bronx live in poverty.

District by District Analysis

Below is 13% and Growing Coalition's Analysis of discretionary giving in the 8 Bronx City Council Districts. Currently, none have a population of 12% or more of APAs. However, there is a growing population of various APA communities throughout the Bronx, and we have highlighted these neighborhoods in **bold** on the next page.

District	Neighborhoods⁹	% APA living in District	Total Discretionary Dollars to Asian-Led Organizations	Total Discretionary Dollars	% Given to Asian-Led Organizations	Number of Asian Led Groups Funded
11	Kingsbridge, Riverdale, Woodlawn, Norwood; Parts of Bedford Park,	6.72%	\$0	\$457,651	N/A	N/A

⁸ Amount includes City Council Bronx Delegation Dollars, but does not include Speaker's List funding or private sources.

⁹ These are the neighborhoods in each district per the City Council Website (<http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>)

	Wakefield, Bronx Park East					
12	Edenwald, Co-Op City, Wakefield, Williamsbridge, Baychester	1.49%	\$0	\$362,651	N/A	N/A
13	Pelham Parkway North and South, Pelham Bay, Country Club, City Island, Throggs Neck, Allerton, Morris Park	7.10%	\$5,000	\$757,651	0.7%	1
14	Fordham, Kingsbridge, Morris Heights, West Bronx	2.75%	\$0	\$557,651	N/A	N/A
15	Bathgate, Belmont, Crotona, Fordham, East Tremont, West Farms	2.24%	\$0	\$1,034,651	N/A	N/A
16	West Bronx, Morrisania, South Bronx, Highbridge, Melrose	0.96%	N/A	\$582,651	N/A	N/A
17	South Bronx	0.81%	N/A	\$701,651	N/A	N/A
18	Soundview, Parkchester, Castle Hill, Classon Harding, Point Park	6.11%	\$5,000	\$918,151	0.5%	1

Growing Pockets of APAs in the Bronx

- **40%** of the APA population in the Bronx is Asian Indian
- **Pelham Parkway (part of City Council District 13) has nearly 10,000 APAs.** 22.4% of this population is Asian Indian, and the next highest concentration, at 17.5%, is Chinese.
- **The Kingsbridge Heights/Moshulu Parkway neighborhoods in the Bronx (parts of City Council Districts 11 and 14) are currently home to nearly 8,000 APAs.** This diverse pocket includes high concentrations of the Asian Indian, Vietnamese, Korean and Filipino communities.

A Snapshot: What Asian led service providers are seeing in the Bronx

West Chester Square Partnership

Westchester Square Partnership was founded in 2008 to meet the social and health-related needs of South Asian immigrants living in the Bronx. Westchester Square Partnership promotes the health, social, and economic empowerment of New York City's South Asian community through a learning-based partnership between families, health professionals and other community members.

Westchester Square Partnership will use the FY 2013 discretionary to provide an ESL Program and Health worker program. Currently they provide cancer, nutrition and diabetes classes, and lead weight loss and depression treatment programs in the Bronx. They will also use funds to support the ESOL Program: providing free classes to beginner, intermediate and advanced speakers. In addition, other skills based workshops and classes are offered in English, including computer classes, art classes, writing workshops, and resume writing.

Mekong

Mekong aims to improve the quality of life of the Southeast Asian community in the Bronx and throughout New York City by achieving equity through community organizing and healing, promoting arts, culture, and language, and creating a safety net by improving access to essential social services. The Southeast Asian community in the Bronx primarily consists of Cambodian Americans and Vietnamese Americans.

Mekong is where history and culture are valued and learned, where history and culture are living, where people’s needs are met, where people are united through struggle, and where the people feel liberated. This past year Mekong did not apply for discretionary funding but are a strong organizing body of the Southeast Asian community with a real understanding of the diverse community and its rapid growth in the Bronx.

Staten Island

Of the \$2,442,893 in City Council Discretionary Dollars given in the Staten Island, only \$13,000¹⁰, or .5% was given to Asian Led organizations.

The APA Population in Staten Island

- **7.8%** of Staten Island Residents are APA.
- The APA population in Staten Island has grown by **45%** since according to the 2006-2010 ACS 5-year Estimates
- Since 2000, The Chinese population has grown by **78%**, and the Vietnamese population by **93%**
- **One-third** of all APA Staten Islanders are limited English proficient, compared with 12% of the entire borough population. By age, limited English skills were attributed to **43%** of APA working-age adults and **60%** of elderly APAs —rates significantly higher than 13% and 15%, respectively, throughout the borough.

District by District Analysis

Below is 13% and Growing Coalition’s Analysis of discretionary giving in the 3 Staten Island City Council Districts. Currently, none have a population of 12% or more of APAs. However, there is a growing population of various APA communities throughout Staten Island, and we have highlighted these districts in **bold** on the next page.

District	Neighborhoods¹¹	% APA living in District	Total Discretionary Dollars to Asian-Led Organizations	Total Discretionary Dollars	% Given to Asian-Led Organizations	Number of Asian Led Groups Funded
49	St. George, Tompkinsville, Stapleton, Snug Harbor, Livingston, New Brighton,	7.69%	\$0	\$652,131	N/A	N/A

¹⁰ Amount includes City Council Staten Island Delegation Dollars, but does not include Speaker’s List funding or private sources.

¹¹ These are the neighborhoods in each district per the City Council Website (<http://council.nyc.gov/html/home/home.shtml>)

	Randall Manor, West Brighton, Silver Lake, Clove Lakes, Westerleigh, Clifton, Concord, Rosebank, Port Richmond, Elm Park, Mariners Harbor					
50	Parts of Dyker Heights and Bath Beach of Brooklyn , Arrochar, Bulls Head, Concord, Dongan Hill, Emerson Hill, Fort Wadsworth, Grant City, Graniteville, Grasmere, Island of Meadows, Midland Beach, New Dorp, Prall's Island, Richmondtown, South Beach, Todt Hill, Travis, Westerleigh, Willowbrook, parts of Bensonhurst, Brooklyn	11.72%	\$5,000	\$1,093,631	0.5%	1
51	Arden Heights, Annadale, Bay Terrace, Tottenville, Oakwood, Great Kills, Richmondtown, Charleston, Rossville, New Sprinville, Eltingville, Woodrow, Richmond Valley, Huguenot, Princes Bay, Pleasant Plains	5.10%	\$8,000	\$697,131	1.1%	1

Growing Pockets of APAs in Staten Island

- **Staten Island is home to over 36,237 APAs.**
- **North Shore (part of City Council District 49) is 8.4% APA.** Nearly one-third of this population is Chinese, the next highest APA concentrations, both at 20%, are the Asian Indian and Filipino communities. The growing Sri Lankan segment currently is 5% of the population, which is the largest concentration of Sri Lankans in New York City.
- **Mid-Island (part of City Council District 50) boasts over 15,000 APAs.** Nearly two-thirds of this population are Chinese or Asian Indian.

A Snapshot: What Asian led service providers are seeing in Staten Island

Korean-American Senior Citizens Association of New York, Inc.

The Korean American Senior Citizens Association of New York, Inc. provides services in the six following areas: information sharing; referrals and assistance; training in language and communication skills;

seminars on health and sociocultural issues; job and skills training; fellowship sharing concerns and interests; and English conversation citizenship classes.

Discretionary funding from Council Member Ignizio and Council Member Oddo helped the growing number of Korean seniors in Staten Island become self-sufficient and independent through a comprehensive support program, specifically US Citizenship classes, ESL courses and computer and aerobic classes.