

AYC ANNUAL REPORT 2021

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021

JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION IN 2021

After successfully completing a robust community needs assessment and SWOT analysis in 2020, AYC released our new strategic plan for 2021-2023 in January 2021. AYC's strategic goals for 2021 include:

- 1) Sustaining Basic Needs programming (like the Emergency Food Program) and other programming for low-income communities;
- 2) Implementing Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) programming like policy advocacy, addressing anti-Asian hate, and other social issues:
- 3) Building the organization's capacity, culture, and brand.

In the Spring of 2021, when rising anti-Asian hate incidents hit the San Gabriel Valley area and the national media at the same time, AYC answered the community call to action with community education, engagement, and mobilization to empower youth, adult, and senior residents to prevent, address, and recover from anti-Asian hate incidents.

Michelle Freridge, Executive Director



ADDRESSING ANTI-ASIAN HATE IN 2021

Survey: AYC employed, coached, and empowered Asian American youth to collect community perspectives on anti-Asian hate. Please see www.aycla.org/survey

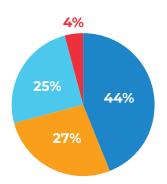
Bystander Intervention Trainings: In partnership with Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Los Angeles and Hollaback!, AYC delivered Bystander Intervention Trainings for English and Mandarin speaking residents and translated the curriculum to Chinese.

Youth Empowerment: AYC staff empowered high school students to deepen their understanding on social justice and advocacy, culminating in a series of podcasts on topics including anti-Asian hate, Black Lives Matter, immigration, and mental health. Listen to the podcasts on our website: www.aycla.org/youthpodcasts

After-school programming for K-8 students incorporated classes from the **Asian American Education Project** curriculum.

In partnership with LA vs. Hate, AYC will continue to create and support local community events, public art, and social media outreach working to stop hate and build community, such as LA vs. Hate's Stronger Together mural project by local artist MariNaomi.

PROGRAMS AND LEADERSHIP



To provide youth and families with prevention, intervention, skill development and all-around support in home and in the community, AYC's programs are divided into four departments.

- Educational Enrichment Services
- Youth and Family Services
- Community Outreach & Education
- Employment Services

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YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES (YFS)

Programs are provided at school sites, community partner sites, and in client homes to decrease recidivism and juvenile delinquency through diversion, social emotional learning, case management services and re-entry services. In 2021, the YFS programs served 378 youth, parents, and adults and post-tests demonstrated significant increases in skills and self-esteem

EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT SERVICES (EES)

Provides low-income and immigrant youth ages 5-18 with afterschool and summer school programming, including Youth and Parent Leadership Development (YPLD) services in high school Dream Centers. Last year, AYC served 354 unduplicated youth in elementary, middle, and high schools in the Alhambra Unified School District, Los Angeles Unified School District, and San Gabriel Unified School Districts. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, English and math post-test scores were not collected this year.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Increases employment success among low-income youth ages 14-24. Last year, 77 youth participated in the Educational Pathways & Vocational Opportunities (EPVO) programming and 63 youth successfully completed re-entry educational and employment preparation assessments and enrollment in high-school completion programming, while 26 youth are currently on track to program completion. There were 8 clients for the Youth Employment program, which included professional skills development, career workshops. and opportunities to gain paid work experience. In the last year, all the participants completed a total of 3,300 hours of employment for the Emergency Food Program, Stop Hate projects, and COVID-19 Education and Outreach.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EDUCATION

In Chinese and Spanish had contact with and provided information, education, and emergency food services to 681 unduplicated individuals. In addition, this department served many of the youth, families and adults enrolled in other AYC programs, and reached more than 23,032 community members with educational information through in-language press coverage and community event outreach on a variety of topics last year including: Utility Consumer Education: 2020 Census: Earned Income Tax Credit: Parent Education; Disaster Preparedness & Relief; Women's Health & Mental Health; Health Care Access; Water Conservation; Addressing Anti-Asian Hate and COVID-19 Education.

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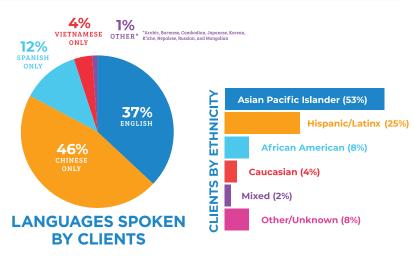
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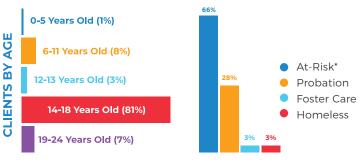
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OF THE 677 YOUTH SERVED





**At-risk" status is defined as youth who have been assessed with multiple risk factors that may include being from a low-income family, learning English as a second language, or being a first-generation immigrant (documented or not).

FINANCES

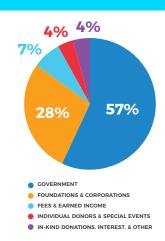
As of June 30, 2021, AYC closed the fiscal year with \$3,597,475 in total assets. Revenue and support for the year was \$2,814,635 plus forgiveness of a Paycheck Protection Program loan of \$320,600. Total Expenses for the year were \$2,971,395 creating a surplus of \$163,840 (100% of which was restricted for use in the next fiscal year).

Seventy-Seven (77%) of expenses were direct program expenses, while 14.5% was spent on administrative overhead (including significant Information Technology infrastructure investments required for the pivot to digital services and working from home) and 8.5%

was used for development and fundraising expenses

Our audited financial statements for 2021 indicate that AYC's financial statements present fairly the financial position of AYC. In addition, AYC's financial statements are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the USA. The audit found no material weaknesses, no deficiencies, and no instances of noncompliance of any kind. AYC's audited Financial Statements and Internal Revenue Service annual 990 forms are public record and are available at

www.guidestar.com or upon request.



VOLUNTEERS AND STAFFING

Last fiscal year, more than 72 volunteers contributed over 468 hours of time to support programs, services, administration, governance, and fundraising. They worked with youth in our Educational Enrichment Services programs, assisted with both Census and COVID-19 Outreach & Education, staffed the Emergency Food Program, provided staff training, strategic consulting services and served on the Board of Directors and Board Committees. We would like to thank all the volunteers for their time, dedication, and service!

AYC staff reflects the diversity of the communities we work with. In fiscal year 2021, AYC employed 58 staff: 38 full-time employees and 20 part-time employees. Sixty-six percent (66%) of staff were female, and 34% male. Forty-eight percent (48%) of the staff were Latinx or Hispanic, 38% Asian Pacific Islander, 10% African American, and 4% Caucasian. More than seventy-five percent (75%) of staff were bi-lingual or tri-lingual in Chinese, Vietnamese, Spanish, or another language and English.

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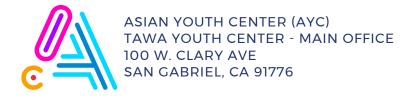
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