

# HOMEOWNERSHIP DREAM TO REALITY

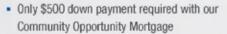


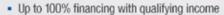


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# **26th** Annual Homeownership Fair

**SATURDAY, JULY 15TH** 

Dear Participants,

On behalf of Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) and our collaborators, the LA County Asian American Employees Association, LA County African American Employees Association, Wilshire UMC, and Dreams Come True Foundation we are delighted to welcome you to our 26th Annual Homeownership Fair.

To date, we have helped over 16,000 homebuyers be on their way to realizing their dream of homeownership. In addition, we have helped homebuyers with over \$2.3 million in down payment assistance.

Our fair's theme, Homeownership Dream to Reality, reflects the desire of many Americans who aspire to own a home and achieve a part of the American Dream. As home prices continue to rise, now is the time to purchase a home. It is our desire to provide resources to you today to help you accomplish this goal.

We would like to thank all of our speakers as well as our sponsors, including our lead sponsors, First Citizens Bank, US Bank and Bank of Hope, who made this fair happen. We give special thanks to the supporting organizations and elected officials for supporting this event. We also want to thank many of the volunteers and members of the FACE board and staff, without whom this fair would not have been possible.

May your dream of homeownership become a reality.

Blessings!



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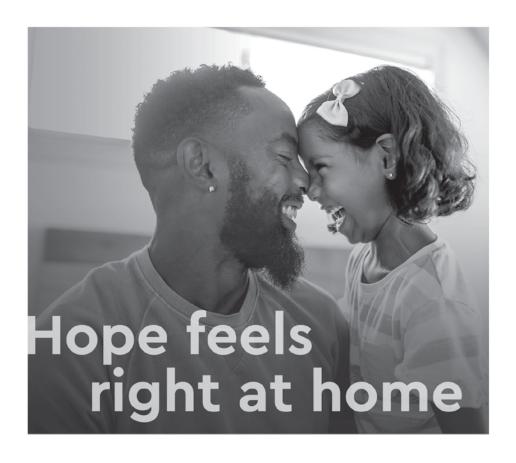
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- Low down payment options
- First-time homebuyer help
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- Loan options for your needs to buy, build or borrow







We know hope has the power to open new doors and keep our communities thriving.

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# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

9:00am Registration & Check in | VIP Meet & Greet

# 9:30am Welcome Remarks & Video Testimony

Hyepin Im, FACE President Myeko Smith, FACE Successful Homebuyer

# **Fair Overview**

Justin Davis, FACE Board Secretary/Housing Chair & SVP, Correspondent & Warehouse Lending Manager, Hanmi Bank

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# **Collaborator Remarks**

Edward Yen, FACE Board Member & Assistant Executive Officer, Executive Office (EO); President, Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA)

DeLlora Ellis-Grant, President, Los Angeles County African American Employees Association (LACAAEA)

Peter Park, Founder/Chairperson, Dreams Come True Foundation

# **Collaborator Remarks & Opening Prayer**

Rev. Suzana Park, Pastor, Wilshire UMC

## **Certificate Presentation**

Jimmy Wu , Field Deputy, Office of Supervisor Kathryn Barger

# **Sponsor Greetings & Thanks**

Introductions By: Maury Ruano, FACE Board Member Moe Amhaz, VP, Regional Sales Manager, First Citizens Bank Julie Davis, Mortgage Sales Supervisor, US Bank Peter Park, SVP, National Sales Manager, Mortgage Banking, Bank of Hope

# Why Buying a Home Can be the Best Decision You Can Make Rent vs. Buy: Homes Build Wealth

Jason Pu, Director, US Department of Housing Urban Development Regional Office

# **FACE Homebuyer Education Client Testimony**

Sequoia Tully, FACE Successful Homebuyer

# Government Down Payment Assistance and Other Assistance Programs

Introductions By: Carol Chung, FACE Board Member Hyepin Im, FACE President Rosa Amaya, Field Mortgage Banker, First Citizens Bank Leanne Walker, Training and Outreach Specialist, CalHFA

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Becoming Mortgage-Ready: What You Need to Know How to Obtain, Fix, Increase, and Optimize Credit Veronica Herrera, Director of Product Management, Experian

# Lender Programs to Help with Down Payment, Closing Costs and Special Loan Products

First Citizens Bank | Moe Amhaz, VP, Regional Sales Manager US Bank | Julie Davis, Mortgage Sales Supervisor Bank of Hope | Peter Park, SVP, National Sales Manager - Mortgage Banking

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# Tying it all together: How First Time Homebuyer Program Works

Hyepin Im, President & CEO, FACE

# **Getting Your Offer Accepted in Today's Market**

Jennie Izumi, Realtor, Berkshire Hathaway Joel Fajardo, Realtor, Keller Williams Encino-Sherman Oaks Douglas Lee, Broker Associate, Compass Probate

# Mortgage Relief & Foreclosure Prevention

Hyepin Im, President & CEO, FACE

# Next Steps: Homebuyer Education Sign Up & Closing Remarks

Hyepin Im, President & CEO, FACE

# **Closing Prayer**

Rev. John Jongdai Park, Senior Pastor of Joong Ang Presbyterian Church

# 11:30am Visit Exhibitors and Qualify to Win Prizes!

1:00pm Fair Ends

<sup>\*</sup>Homebuyer Education Class certificate is required to qualify for downpayment programs.\*



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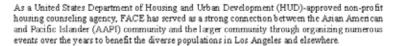
July 15, 2023

Faith and Community Empowerment 4350 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear Friends,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all those gathered here with the Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) to celebrate its 26th Annual Homeownership Fair. FACE is excited to host this fair in

collaboration with the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) and Los Angeles County African American Employees Association (LACAAEA).



The 26th Annual Homeownership Fair seeks to unite thousands of homeowners and connect them with mortgage lenders and industry experts, overall providing them with the tools to purchase a home.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives and the people of the 28th Congressional District, I offer my congratulations and best wishes for the continued success of the Faith and Community Empowerment.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress, 28th District



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July 15, 2023



Dear Friends,

Please accept my warmest wishes as you gather for the 26th Annual Homeownership Fair hosted by Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE).

For 22 years, FACE has worked tirelessly with community leaders and other organizations to provide educational and advocacy training regarding homeownership for underserved communities. FACE has led the way in addressing barriers to homeownership and has provided services and support for potential homeowners in low-income, immigrant, and disenfranchised communities. The Homeownership Fair is a great opportunity for first-time homebuyers to learn more about resources and assistance programs available to them that will help make their dream of homeownership a reality.

I would like to join FACE in thanking partner organizations which have helped make this event a success. The Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) and the Los Angeles County African American Employees Association (LACAAEA) and other sponsors have provided critical support to make this event successful.

Congratulations to FACE and best wishes for a wonderful event and many more years of success in serving homeowners in underserved communities throughout Southern California.

Sincerely

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Member of Congress



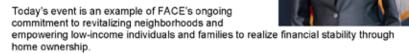


July 15, 2023

Dear Friends.

As the 34th Treasurer of the State of California, it is my pleasure to join Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) in celebration of their 26th Annual Homeownership Fair.

Since 2003, FACE has been dedicated to advancing the economic and cultural prosperity of California's Asian American and Pacific Islander communities through faith and community partnerships. As a bridge connecting our state's historically underserved communities with critical resources, FACE continues to serve as an invaluable resource for socioeconomically disadvantaged Californians.



Thank you for joining FACE in supporting our state's low- or moderate-income residents and first-time homebuyers. I extend my sincere best wishes for a successful event and many more years of service.

In Peace and Friendship,

FIONA MA, CPA California State Treasurer

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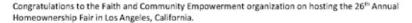


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Dear Friends,



I strongly admire and applause the mission of FACE, which serves to advance the participation, contribution, and influence of the Asian American community through faith and community partnerships. Through the leadership and efforts of your staff, community partners, and faith leaders, more than 12,000 families and individuals will receive assistance to realize their homeownership dreams.

On behalf of the California State Assembly's 49<sup>th</sup> District, I am honored to celebrate the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeownership Fair hosted by FACE. I offer my congratulations and best wishes for the continued success of your organization.

Sincerely,

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July 15, 2023



Dear Friends:

Please accept my warmest wishes as Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) celebrates its 26th Annual Homeownership Fair.

I commend President/CEO Hyepin Im, the Board of Directors, the Staff and membership of FACE for their commitment to advancing the Asian American and Pacific Islander community's participation, contribution and influence through faith-based and community partnerships. For over two decades, FACE has provided people with the resources they need to pursue home ownership in the most difficult times.

Thank you FACE for all your hard work and dedication.

Best wishes for a successful and memorable event!

Sincerely,

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Member of California State Assembly, 66th District

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July 15, 2023

Dear Friends.

Greetings and a warm welcome to all those attending Faith and Community Empowerment's (FACE) 26th Annual Homeownership Fair! I would like to thank FACE's Board of Directors and staff for hosting this wonderful event.

Since its inception in 2001, FACE has provided through faith-based and community partnerships educational and economic development services to the most vulnerable and underserved communities of Los Angeles. I commend FACE for their leadership and determination in improving the quality of life for these residents and empowering them to overcome the barriers to success.

I look forward to continuing to work with FACE to serve our residents in the state of California and the 54th Assembly District in Los Angeles. Please accept my best wishes for continued success!

Sincerely,

MIGUEL SANTIAGO

Assembly Member, 54th District



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July 15, 2023

FACE 3550 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1124 Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to join you to celebrate Faith and Community Empowerment's (FACE) 26th Annual Homeownership Fair.

Our Los Angeles County residents benefit from your efforts to connect them to mortgage lenders and industry experts who aid in the process of purchasing a home. I commend FACE for your consistent community engagement through faith and community partnerships. Prospective homeowners have better access to resources and funds because of your commitment to bridge the gap for both the Asian American community and community at large.

Congratulations on 26 years of dedication and advocacy for future homeowners. I look forward to your continued success in the years to come.

Best wishes.

WATHRYN BARGER Supervisor, Fifth District Los Angeles County





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### HILDA L. SOLIS SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT



July 15, 2023

Dear Friends.

On behalf of the First District of Los Angeles County, I am pleased to welcome you to Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE)'s 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Homeownership Fair.

I commend FACE, the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association, and the African American Employees Association for hosting this wonderful event. I also want to express my gratitude for extending me the honor of serving in the Honorary Committee.

For two decades, FACE has been committed to serving and uplifting underserved communities by empowering faith community leaders, advocating for marginalized groups, and guiding thousands of families to reach the "American Dream" by providing counseling and helping them become homeowners.

I send my best wishes for a successful event and the continued success of FACE. I look forward to seeing more of the positive impact FACE has in the lives our LA County families.

Sincerely,

HILDA L. SOLIS

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Supervisor, First District Board of Supervisors.



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July 15, 2023

Faith and Community Empowerment 3550 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1124 Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear Friends.

It's my honor to welcome you to the 26th Annual Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) Homeownership Fair. I want to also give recognition to your partners in this most vital journey toward home ownership - the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) and Los Angeles County African American Employees Association (LACAAEA).

Whether you are Black, Asian, Hispanic, Indigenous, or another ethnicity, know that equity for all in this great nation is achievable, especially with the support of organizations like FACE. Make no mistake about it: Our strength is our diversity.

I am humbled to be invited to serve on the Honorary Committee and I am excited for you as you take these first steps toward home ownership. Count

on having an advocate in the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office and I encourage you to review the tax savings' programs available to you including the Homeowners' Exemption by visiting our website at assessor.lacounty.gov.

Your presence at today's 26th Annual FACE Homeownership Fair is a reflection of the progress we have made in tackling racial and econmic inequality in home ownership. Take these resources and tools and use them to capture your part of the "American Dream."

Sincerely.

JEFF PRANG Assessor



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July 5, 2023

Faith and Community Empowerment 3550 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 1124 Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear Friends:

I'm honored to celebrate your supporters gathered for the Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) 26th Annual Homeownership Fair on July 15<sup>th</sup> at the Wilshire United Methodist Church.

I commend President/CEO Hypein Im, the Board of Directors, the Staff and membership of FACE for their commitment to advancing the Asian American and Pacific Islander community's participation, contribution and influence through faith-based and community partnerships. FACE provides people with the resources they need to pursue home ownership in the most difficult times. In addition, I applaud FACE's fierce advocacy and commitment to continuing to uplift other diverse community members.

Thank you FACE for all your hard work and dedication.

Best wishes for a successful and memorable event!

Sincerely

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# **FACE PROGRAMS**

### Affordable Housing, Homeownership Programs, & REO Rehab

In 2012, FACE was successful in organizing faith and community leaders to advocate for a community benefit from J.H. Snyder that led to FACE partnering with AMCAL Multi-housing Inc. to develop 100 units of affordable housing, called Meridian Apartments. Also since 2012, FACE has been acquiring foreclosed properties and transforming and revitalizing blighted sites.

### **Homeownership Program & LMI Resources**

FACE has educated over 15,000 potential homeowners and connecting them with over \$2.3 million in downpayment assistance to help them on their way to attaining their dream of homeownership. FACE actively serves underserved communities by hosting various seminars such as the Homeownership, Foreclosure, and Disaster Readiness Fairs as well as Electric Vehicles, which serve over 1,000 low-income families and individuals annually.

### **Church & Non-Profit Leadership and Advocacy Training**

FACE has trained over 4,000 faith and community leaders how to leverage resources, navigate government, create partnerships, implement programs and services and effectively advocate for their community through seminars and our National Lighting the Community Summit. FACE has also created a Faith and Community Collaborative on Mental Health and Drug Abuse to connect faith leaders with resources in the community.

### C2 (Church and Community) Leadership Institute

C2 Leadership Institute is a transformative leadership program that empowers leaders and awakens them to new possibilities and sustainability for their ministries by strengthening church and community partnerships in community development through community engagement and advocacy. FACE C2 Fellows gain the tools, skills and relationships to create success and sustainability in their community development initiatives. Over the course of the Institute, each fellow launches or strengthens a community project. Fellows are mentored by various leaders, including funders, government officials, media, faith leaders and community development experts. Fellows develop their projects using the skills they attain such as fundraising, media and government relations, partnership building, networking, financial literacy, grant writing, eventing, advocacy, program development, outreach strategies, and community needs assessments. Finally, fellows receive ongoing one on one technical assistance to ensure successful implementation of their project.

### **AAPI Career Pathways Initiative**

Research shows that AAPIs have the highest education attainment rates nationwide but one of the lowest when it comes to promotion to management (lower than most BIPOC groups.) To address this disparity in the workforce, FACE has developed a preventative initiative targeting AAPI youth. In outreach for LA County's Youth@Work Program, AAPI youth (ages 14-24) will gain access to job training and internships for \$17/hour up to 160 hours. Internship opportunities include over 700 participating sites in the county, and private or non-profit sectors. County placements open the door to year long internships that could lead to secured employment with the county. FACE's aim is to increase the percentage of AAPI youth within the Youth@Work program from current 3% to closer to 17% to accurately reflect the county's AAPI population. Long term, we hope that this initiative will be a catalyst for additional counties state and nationwide to implement similar programs and reduce the promotional gap for AAPIs.

# SUPPORT FACE

Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE), is an award-winning, faith-based non-profit organization that was founded in 2001. Our mission is to advance the Asian American community's participation, contribution, and influence through faith-based and community partnerships. To date, we have garnered over 600 partners from across the country, ranging from the White House to Fortune 500 companies, local nonprofit organizations and key institutional stakeholders. Since 2001, FACE has been leading the way in advancing Korean/Asian American community's recognition and participation as full partners in society by removing cultural, linguistic, and economic barriers through educational and economic development programs, strategic public and private partnerships, and capacity building for Asian Pacific Islander American faith communities and community nonprofits. Through strategic partnerships, FACE is addressing community challenges, enhancing the quality of services for low-income, immigrant, and disenfranchised individuals, and changing the landscape for the Korean/Asian American community as a whole.

**Your support is valuable to us.** Through you, FACE will be able to continue the programs and work that has been done to help the Asian American and greater community in the last 16 years. Make a contribution by visiting www.facela.org If you are interested in internships, job opportunities, or contracting opportunities in the construction, healthcare, engineering and architecture fields (and more!), along with free training opportunities, please sign up.

Visit our AAPI Youth@Work Career Pathways Initiative page to learn more.

### **FACE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023**

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# Deeper collaboration creates stronger communities.

East West Bank has worked to build stronger communities for 50 years. We're proud to support organizations like Faith & Community Empowerment (FACE) that share our commitment to helping our neighbors grow and thrive. Working together, we can all reach further.





# Fernando Garces

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The MidFirst Bank Dream Home Loan! is a great option for first-time and repeat homebuyers looking for affordable financing.

- Up to 100% financing<sup>2</sup>
- No Private Mortgage Insurance (PMI) A \$\$6,500 grant4 exclusively for
- Lender Origination Fees of \$895.00
   Waived
- Borrower must be a first-time homebuyer<sup>3</sup>
- · Flexible Underwriting

- · Limited availability ask for details
- A \$\$6,500 grant<sup>4</sup> exclusively for MidFirst Dream Home Loan borrowers
- Grant can be applied to the down payment and/or closing costs of a home purchase
- · No payback of grant required
- Can be layered with other down payment assistance programs
- The property must be owner-occupied as a primary residence



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# Isn't the best time to continue building your legacy right now?

Through our Community Homeownership Commitment, we've helped over 34,000 people and families get an affordable loan to buy a home. Here's how it can help you secure your family's future:



Down payment help up to \$10,000 or 3% of the purchase price, whichever is less. Product availability and income restrictions apply.2



Closing costs help up to \$7,500 as a lender credit.3



Down payment as low as 3% down. Income limits apply.4

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- Down Payment program and America's Home Grant program: Qualified borrowers must meet eligibility requirements such as being owner occupants and purchasing a home within a certain geographical area. Maximum income and loan amount limits apply Minimum combined loan-to-val must be greater than or equal to 80%. The home loan must fund with Bank of America.
- Additional information about the Down Payment program: Down Payment program is available



- 3 Additional Information about the America's Home Grant program: The America's Home
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**REGISTER FOR A** HOMEBUYER EDUCATION CLASS\* TODAY FOR A **20% DISCOUNT** 

# Do You Have Homeownership Dreams? Are You Falling Behind on Your Mortgage Payments? Want Help with Your Rental Rights?



# We Can Help YOU!

# FIRST TIME HOMEBUYERS

# Get Up to \$192,000 DOWN PAYMENT

- Take Our Homebuyer Education Class to get qualified!
- Get counseling to connect with down payment/special loan programs for YOU!



# FORECLOSURE PREVENTION COUNSELING

# GET UP TO \$80,000 MORTGAGE RELIEF

In the State of California

- Up to \$20,000 Property Tax Relief in the State of California
- Up to \$30,000 Mortgage Relief in LA County
- · Get FREE counseling to:
  - Apply for relief funds
  - Apply for a loan modification

# **RENTAL COUNSELING**

# Are you a Struggling Renter?

- . Get FREE rental counseling to:
  - Determine the right rental for you
  - Understand lease & rental agreements
  - Know your fair housing rights.



# **CLIENT SUCCESSES**



"I received \$115,000 in downpayment assistance."

Successful Homebuying Client: Cain Riviera, Age 22

"I received \$77,000+ in mortgage assistance. Thank you FACE!"

Successful Foreclosure Prevention Client: Ms. Dribben

> Contact us at: housing@facela.org OR (213) 985-1500

Learn More at www.facela.org

Faith & Community Empowerment (FACE) is a HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agency



### Taking Your Community Ministry to a Professional Community Development Model

Designed for leaders who are interested in civic engagement, public-private partnerships, and being a social justice advocate while strengthening church and community partnerships.

### **HOW C2 WORKS**

### Resources & Partnerships

### Expanded Vision & Opportunities

### Funding & Sustainability



Through this program, okin to a master's level course, FACE C2 fellows gain the tools, skills and relationships to create success and sustainability in their community ministries. Over the course of the Institute, each fellow lounches or strengthens a community development initiative. Fellows are mentared by funders, government officials, medicin, faith leaders, and community development experts. Fellows develop their initiative using the skills they attain such as fundraising, medic and government relations, portinenship building, networking, financial literacy, grant writing, eventing, advoccy, program development, outreach strategies, and community needs assessments. Throughout the program, fellows receive up to 8 one on one office hour sessions to ensure successful implementation of their initiative. The whole program culminates to a Pitch Competition, where each fellow presents their finalized initiative to a funding panel before moving on to graduation.

# **OUTCOMES**

- Custom sponsorship package, certificate/commendation letter request, and press release
- Expanded contacts with local elected officials, media, potential funders, and other community stakeholders
- Custom brochure/flyer of your church's community work
- · Established community program
- · Elevated visibility in the community and online
- · Engaged/Inspired next generation for church for community engagement
- Expanded vision & opportunities for Increased impact & witness
- · Transformative identity in leadership





Rev. Wonseok Suh Harris UMC

"The C2 Leadership institute program brought us the tools, the know-how, and the relationships to access resources that can help more quickly meet the current needs of our communities."



Rev. Gary Williams Saint Mark UMC

"The C2 institute has poured a wealth of knowledge in me through inspiring speakers and presentations. Because of C2, I've gained a better understanding of how important fundraising and networking really are to my success."



Alyssa Gonzaga UC Berkley Student

"It was truly a unique and priceless experience, where I gained skills in a way so well integrated that I don't think I can ever find R

# NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR OUR 2023 COHORT

### Fall 2023 Faith Leaders Cohort

Application Deadline: August 1st Start: Week of September 12th End: Week of December 19th Young Adult Cohort (18-30)

Aplication Deadline: TBD Start: TBD End: TBD

To apply and for more details: www.FACELA.ORG/C2-LEADERSHIP-INSTITUTE

\*\*All sessions are conducted virtually.\*\*





Since 2001, Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE) has worked to advance opportunities and leadership for the AAPI Community.

# WHAT IS IT?

FACE's AAPI Career Pathways
Initiative provides youth with
paid internship opportunities in
public and private sectors.
Through this unique opportunity,
AAPI Interns will be able to gain
job training and professional skills.
In addition, through our
mentorship speaker series, youth
will be invited to hear from and be
mentored by influential leaders
from CEOs to government officials.

# WHAT YOU DO:

- Earn \$17 per hour starting July 1,2023.
- 160 hours of paid training and work experience. \*
- Over 700 internship sites at Businesses, Non-Profits, & LA County Government such as Parks & Recreation, LA County Supervisors, District Attorney's Office and more!
  - Jobs include administrative, clerical, IT, hospitality, etc.
- Opportunity to network with County leadership!

# DO YOU QUALIFY?

- LA County Residents Ages
   14-24
- Must have the right to work in the United States
- If male and 18 years old or older, you may be required to register for Selective Service

For County placements, upon completion of 120 hours, candidates will be eligible to compete for 1-year full time internships and then potential permanent county work positions.

"I am excited to have the opportunity to gain work experience and leadership skills that can be applicable towards my future career! Thank you FACE!" Dakota Lee, 15, FACE Youth Ambassador











# TO APPLY: EMAIL PATHWAYS@FACELA.ORG

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