

## OUR MISSION

Provide quality, compassionate and culturally sensitive services for Asian populations in Greater Cincinnati through awareness, collaboration, and advocacy.

## OUR GOALS

### **Awareness:**

To teach and heighten understanding about the world among Asians and between cultures

### **Collaboration:**

To work in full partnership with others to reach common goals that will enable all partners' full participation

### **Advocacy:**

To strengthen personal capability and increase individual capacity to respond during any situation

## OUR VISION

ACA envisions finding solutions to enhance the quality of life and social-personal wellbeing for Asian Americans living in the Greater Cincinnati area by serving as a bridge between the social and health care services and the Asian communities.

## OUR ORGANIZATIONAL FOCUS

2008-2011

*ACA's organizational focus will be to increase awareness or advocate relative to a topic of vital importance to Asians in the Greater Cincinnati community. For 2008 - 2011, our focus will be on the following areas:*

- Health & Wellness
- Racism
- Emergency Preparedness
- Immigration
- Interpreter Services
- Aging
- Refugees

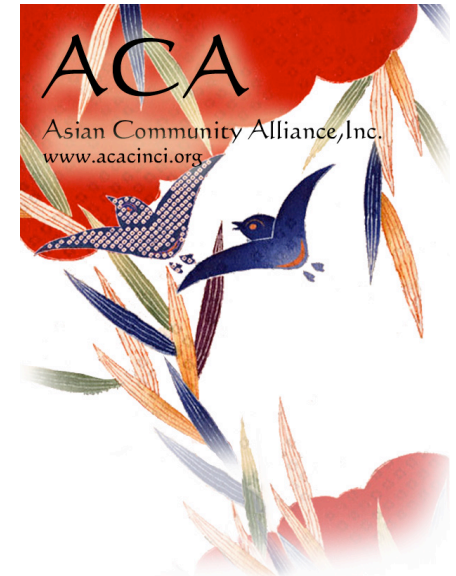
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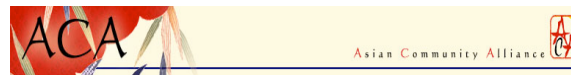
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# ASIAN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE, INC.

Creating & Coordinating Resources for Stronger Families



**Through**  
**AWARENESS**  
**COLLABORATION**  
**ADVOCACY**





## OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Convened two **Asian Summits** in 2007 and 2008 enabling local Asian communities to come together to identify specific needs and concerns, for further action.
- Created, developed and began distribution of the **Community Resource Guide** in Sept 2007 which outlines all human services so Asian populations know where to turn for family needs such as health, food, legal, housing and more.
- Developed **cultural competency training workshops** including an Asian overview of Japan, China, Vietnam, India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan. They helped train social service providers (including law enforcement, legal aid, healthcare and county agencies) increasing their cultural sensitivity.
- Developed a **website** in May 2007 - [www.acacinci.org](http://www.acacinci.org) - allowing for the sharing of information among all the various Asian populations in the Greater Cincinnati area. This website has a Community Calendar & News, and a Forum for the sharing of vital information.
- ACA in 2007 began participating as part of the **Ohio Asian American Health Coalition**. OAAHC provides other Asian organizations in Ohio best practices for use in communities throughout the state. At the same time, the sharing of information can be valuable in sustaining and extending the work ACA, Inc. continues to provide on health promotion/education.
- Convened the first **Asian Symposia on Health** in April 2008. The emphasis was on Hepatitis B, Cardiovascular Disease, Diabetes, and Teen Smoking. ACA, Inc. developed and designed educational material focused on raising awareness of the health topics mentioned. ACA's Hepatitis B Fact Sheet was translated into Chinese, Japanese, and Korean.
- ACA initiated work with health providers to pursue a **Hepatitis B screening** and vaccination process. Free Hepatitis B screenings were provided in April 2008 and August 2009. Participants were also given information on Health Clinics of several counties in Greater Cincinnati.
- ACA in 2008 became the supervising agency for a capacity building grant sponsored by the **Asian Pacific Islander Health Forum and funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation**. ACA will be involved in addressing Hepatitis B and other health disparities.
- ACA in April 2009 held its first forum on **Caregivers & Emergency Preparedness**. Discussion focused on caregivers - their challenges and the resources that are needed in the community. The second half of the session focused on emergency preparedness including local preparedness efforts and what resources are in place.
- ACA hosted the **4<sup>th</sup> Ohio Asian American Health Conference** in May 2009. The conference attracted over 200 participants from across the state. Besides keynote topics that included Hepatic & GI cancers and Metabolic Syndrome, concurrent breakout sessions were also held on aging, oral health, diabetes, mental illness, cardiovascular disease, domestic violence, tobacco & substance abuse, complementary & alternative medicine, and HIV/AIDS. Ohio's Director of Health, Dr. Alvin Jackson, gave an eloquent talk on Minority Health: Challenges & Issues with Health Care. Further, ACA received from Ted Strickland, Governor of Ohio, a proclamation emphasizing the importance of educating and raising awareness of the diseases that uniquely affect the Asian American population.
- ACA initiated a **health assessment survey** in August 2009 to identify the general barriers to health prevention and treatment among Asian populations in the Greater Cincinnati area. This assessment tool is designed for use in other Asian communities throughout the state of Ohio as the questions seek to identify causes of health disparities for Asian Americans.
- ACA hosted its first **Health & Wellness program** for the elderly in the community in Nov 2009. The main focus of the program is the HealthRhythms Drum Circle where participants are encouraged to play music on drums to alleviate stress in their lives that is often associated with loneliness, boredom and illness.

