

## 2021-2022 Biennial Legislative Agenda

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 15.0145, the Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans is a state agency created to advise the Legislature and the Governor on issues of importance to Asian Pacific Minnesotans, advocate on behalf of this community on these issues, and serve as a broker between the Asian Pacific community and the rest of Minnesota.

### **Priority Issues\***

*The Council will actively track and pursue legislation in the following areas:*

- Healthcare access
- Equity and social justice
- Achievement gap
- Immigration rights
- Affordable housing

### **Ongoing Positions**

*The Council, in addition to its annual legislative priorities derived from community input, will actively advocate for legislation that achieves the following:*

- Programs and services that are respectful of and responsive to the linguistically and culturally diverse communities of Minnesota, including Asian Pacific Minnesotans.
- Collection of disaggregated data to better inform policy making on issues of importance to Asian Pacific Minnesotans.
- Increased understanding of violence against Minnesota's Asian Pacific women and children.

\*These issues were self-identified as high priority in the 2021 Legislative Priorities Survey.

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