

Hello Pioneers,

Now deep into the COVID-19 pandemic, we hope you are staying safe and healthy. We are in a time of increased stress, uncertainty, and recurring injustices. There has been a longstanding history of discrimination in our country and we are currently living in a time where more tragedies are occurring.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been an increase in hate crimes towards the Asian and Pacific Islander Community. These events shine a light on the unfortunate hatred for many communities. This past week in Atlanta, Georgia, eight individuals were murdered in a mass shooting in several Asian owned spas. Six of the eight people were of Asian American descent: Delaina Ashley Yuan, Xiaojie Tan, Daoyou Feng, Park Hyeon Jeon, Julie Park, and Paul Andre Michels. Numerous acts of violence towards API individuals have also occurred in various parts of the country, and these hate crimes are deeply rooted in white supremacy ideals and xenophobia. Our community is filled with diversity and compassion, and we recognize these hate crimes are not isolated incidents but are a result of the dehumanizing history of our country.

California State University, East Bay's Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) carries its mission to continue advocating for and representing our diverse and compassionate students. We are committed to enhancing our community in a direction of inclusivity and equity. As your CSUEB ASI, we strongly denounce the past and present hate crimes committed towards our API community. It is necessary we recognize our influence as a student organization to dismiss any xenophobia and harmful actions toward any community. We must also recognize the hatred towards this group, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, in order to find ways to eliminate and prevent these tragedies.

As students, we recognize the importance of supporting one another. We are in a time of distress, of heavy racial injustices, and of a lack of equitable resources. ASI extends our support to our API Community. We recognize a large majority of our student population



are affected by these hate crimes and attacks, and we strongly will continue to say: We stand with you.

In efforts to raise awareness and support, we would like to share with you resources that will hopefully strengthen our allyship, our direction towards justice, and to denounce any hatred that divides our community:

- Schedule an appointment with our mental health professionals.  
[Student Health & Counseling Services](#)  
510-885-3735 • [shcs@csueastbay.edu](mailto:shcs@csueastbay.edu)
- [Hate Crime Resources](#)  
Visit <https://www.napaba.org/page/HateCrimeResources>
- [Social Justice & Wellness Resources](#)

In these already trying times, we highly encourage you to apply to this ASI Scholarship intended to offer additional support for students affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

- [ASI COVID-19 Scholarship](#)  
or visit <https://tinyurl.com/54dharar>

We will no longer hope, and rather actively strive to come together to end the systemic racism that is deeply rooted in our country. As ASI, we commit to work against Anti-Asian hate, provide resources and spaces for the API community, and distinguish hate when we encounter it. We are committed to becoming better allies. We are committed to educating ourselves and our community. We are committed to fighting against discrimination and ensuring that racism no longer has a seat at the table. Considering our campus prides itself on its diversity and compassion as a community, we also encourage you to start having these tough conversations and move away from complicity. Through unity and advocacy, it is on us to create lasting social change.

In solidarity,



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