SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Office of Alumni & Parent Engagement

Dear friends and allies,

The Swarthmore Alumni of Color (AOC) Committee rebukes all forms of anti-Asian violence and stands in firm solidarity with our Asian and Pacific Islander community members across the U.S. and globally. We see these events as another manifestation of racism and injustice affecting communities of color that echo ongoing instances of anti-Blackness and over-policing of and excessive use of force against Black individuals. The needs across communities of color are surely nuanced and distinct, but the pain experienced among us is shared.

We, as members of the AOC Committee, remain committed to supporting and advancing issues of equity, inclusion, and belonging directly affecting our alumni members, both current and future, and on campus and beyond.

With this mission in mind, we would like to share a resource guide below that provides information on books, media, educational resources, and social media accounts dedicated to bringing awareness to anti-Asian discrimination as well as community and advocacy organizations to donate and support and ways to report Anti-Asian hate crimes and instances of discrimination. If you have suggestions on ways that the AOC Committee can support and serve as a resource for you or others moving forward, please let us know by emailing AlumniOfColor@swarthmore.edu.

In solidarity,

Alumni of Color Committee

DONATE:

Consider donating to the organizations below that are dedicated to fighting racism, supporting local Asian-owned businesses, and feeding the elderly population.

- Hate Is A Virus
- Send Chinatown Love
- Welcome to Chinatown NYC
- Asian-Americans Advancing Justice
- Heart of Dinner: Feeding the AAPI Elderly
- Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF)
- Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council

READ:

A list of books that you can consider reading if you want to learn more about the history of Asian American and what is happening in today's environment.

- Minor Feelings by Cathy Park Hong
- America is in the Heart by Carlos Bulosan
- No-No Boy by John Okada
- Freedom Dreams by Robin D.G. Kelley
- Asian Settler Colonialism by Candace Fujikane
- The Making of Asian America by Erika Lee
- America's long history of scapegoating its Asian Citizens by Nina Strochlic, National Geographic
- The Muddled History of Anti-Asian Violence by Hua Hsu, The New Yorker
- How to support Asian American colleagues amid the recent wave of anti-Asian violence by Jennifer Liu, CNBC
- A Rising Tide of Hate and Violence against Asian Americans in New York During
 COVID-19: Impact, Causes, Solution by Asian American Bar Association of New York
- <u>Covid-19 Fueling Anti-Asian Racism and Xenophobia Worldwide</u> by Human Rights Watch

WATCH:

Documentaries, films and videos that speak about the recent attacks, the Asian experience, the challenges the community faces, and the ongoing role Asian Americans have played in our society.

- Asian Americans (PBS)
- Minari
- Gook (Prime Video)
- American Revolutionary: The Evolution Of Grace Lee Boggs (YouTube)
- <u>Hate Crimes Against Asian Americans Continue to Rise</u> featuring Ronny Chieng, The Daily Show with Trevor Noah (YouTube)
- Conversation about Black and Asian Solidarity by Wong Fu Productions (YouTube)

REPORT:

If you witness a crime, please report it.

- Report at Stop AAPI Hate
- Go here to report discrimination or call 911 for a hate crime

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Additional resources on how you can play a role in creating a safe space and how the pandemic has contributed to a rise in anti-Asian sentiment.

- Guide to Bystander Intervention (Hollaback!)
- Bystander Intervention Virtual Trainings (AAJC)

- Bystander Intervention 2.0 Conflict De-Escalation Workshop (AAJC)
- How to Respond to Harassment for People Experiencing Anti-Asian/American Harassment Training Workshop (AAJC)
- Stop Asian Hate Toolkit (NYC Commission on Human Rights)

INSTAGRAM ACCOUNTS TO FOLLOW

Amplify voices of organizations that are fighting to bring awareness to these issues.

- Hateisavirus
- NextShark
- StopAAPIHate
- A3PCON
- AsiansforMentalHealth
- AAPIWomenLead
- Asians4AntiRacism
- AntiRacismDaily
- DearAsianYouth