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OAPIA Update

News Updates from the DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

Dear AAPI Community Members,

The DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs is working hard to make sure that you are up to date on all the things going on in our office. To help keep you up to date, we have created this newsletter to give brief updates on things happening in our office and in District Government.

Join us in creating a better AAPI community in the District!

Warm Regards,

Soohyun "Julie" Koo
Director, DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs



AARP Listening Session in DC Chinatown



Ward 2 Residents Speak Out at AARP Listening Session in Chinatown.

On August 23, OAPIA participated in an AARP Listening Session in Chinatown. AARP's State Office in the District of Columbia shared its resources on Medicare and Medicaid, K-12 education, affordable housing, community services, safety and how they can live where they choose for as long as possible. The AARP State Office also hosted others who provided information and services in the area.

Find more information on [AARP's Blog](#).

DC's 10th Anniversary Observance of September 11

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

“Remembering Our Students, Teachers and National Geographic Chaperones”
Leckie Elementary School
4201 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SW

10:00 a.m.

A Special Exhibit - “We Remember: Commemorating the 10th Anniversary of the 9-11 Tragedy”
Sumner School Museum and Archives
1201 17th Street, NW

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

“Global DC: Creating the Vision”
Cardozo Senior High School
1200 Clifton Street, NW

Saturday, September 10, 2011- Day of Peace

12 Noon

Passing of the Peace - Rose Petal Ceremony
Hains Point
Ohio Drive, SW

Sunday, September 11, 2011- Day of Service and Remembrance

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

9-11 Anniversary Tribute and Service Day
Freedom Plaza
(Pennsylvania Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets, NW)
Sponsored by: Hands on Network and 9-11 Families
Hosted by Serve DC and Greater DC Cares

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Candlelight Service of Remembrance
“Remembering Lives Lost...Honoring First Responders”
The First Baptist Church of the City of Washington, DC
1328 16th Street, NW

For More Detailed Information Visit:
www.september11.dc.gov



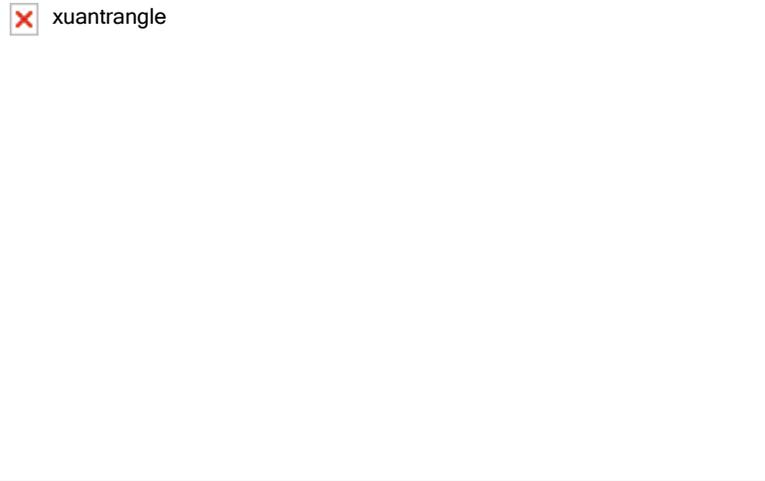
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[Click here](#) for more information.

Local AAPI Student Wins DSLBD Youth Entrepreneurship Competition

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DSLBD's Manager of the Commercial Revitalization and Training Education Division Gladys Kamau Ph.D. presented awards to the top three finishers. Xuan Trang Le, a senior at Banneker Senior High School, won the first place prize, which was a \$1000 award. Le's business, IV Seasons, is an innovative and eco-friendly fabric nail application for nail salons.

Second place, and a \$600 award, went to Brooke Young, a senior at McKinley Technology High School, whose Aura business designs and crafts one of a kind jewelry and accessories; and third place, and a \$400 award, went to Malika Shorter, a senior at Dunbar Senior High School, for Stuck On You, which manufactures long lasting cosmetics that are made from natural ingredients.

Click here for the [full press release](#).

Start in September



GRAY ADMINISTRATION KICKS OFF 'START IN SEPTEMBER,' A MASSIVE COMMUNITY-DRIVEN EFFORT TO GREEN D.C.

New Website Encourages Input on Ways to Make the District More Sustainable

Mayor Vincent C. Gray announced today the kickoff of "Start in September," an ambitious initiative to create a comprehensive sustainability plan for the District. It includes the launch of a sustainability website designed to encourage residents to provide their ideas on how to make the District a greener, healthier, more livable city. The website address is www.sustainable.dc.gov.

Through the new website and associated Start in September events, District officials hope to inspire dozens of community-led conversations that will gather ideas and goals for a more sustainable D.C. This will include an emphasis on: the green economy, energy, climate change, water, transportation, waste, food, the built environment and the natural environment.

"I want to make the District of Columbia the most sustainable city in America," said Mayor Gray. "Through conversations had in kitchens, cafes, and conference rooms, we will be getting a broad range of creative ideas from our residents -- truly a group brainstorming session occurring across our One City."

Twitter

OAPIA would like to thank all of the DC Government Agencies that stayed alert throughout last weekend to provide valuable information to DC residents and merchants about Hurricane Irene.

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