

MOAPIA Newsletter

Agency Updates, Events and Announcements, Career Connections, and more from the DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)

A Message from the Director

Dear Community Members,

The DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs stands behind our tagline: "**enriched by diversity; united as one community.**" We value and celebrate the diversity that exists within the District, while working to ensure that the views, needs and concerns of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community are recognized and addressed. My office strives to bridge gaps between diverse communities and cultures to build a stronger and more inclusive city for everyone.

The upcoming Diwali Reception on November 9th is just one of many steps that we are taking to work towards this goal. Diwali, the festival of lights, is the most widely-celebrated Hindu festival. This year, Mayor Bowser will attend the



reception and join community members to recognize and celebrate this important occasion.

Next week, I will be holding office hours in the community. Please feel free to stop by to meet our staff or share any needs or concerns:

- October 25th from 11:30 am 12:30 pm at the Asian Senior Center
- October 27th from 3:00 pm 4:00 pm at Asian Spice (717 H St NW)

Thank you for your support as we continue to enrich and unite this great community.

Warm Regards,

David Do Director, DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

MOAPIA News

Want to join MOAPIA's team?



MOAPIA has a job opening: **Program Coordinator.** If you love meeting community members and want a career in public service, join our team! Must be bilingual in Mandarin, Vietnamese, Korean, or Cantonese.

To apply for the Program Coordinator position, click here.

We also have internship and volunteer opportunities available. Please visit our website for more information about these opportunities.

Upcoming Events

FitDC and Park Run 5K



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DATE:

Saturday, October 22, 2016

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

Fletcher's Cove 4940 Canal Road, NW

Eventbrite: fitdcparkrun5k.eventbrite.com

Run Registration Info: www.parkrun.us/register/form (Running Club- Fit DC)

Make sure to join the FitDC Running Club so your steps count towards the FitDC Billion Steps Challenge.

www.FitDC.com







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Director Do's Office Hours

DC Mayor's Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (MOAPIA)

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OFFICE HOURS

IN THE

COMMUNITY

Thursday October 27, 2016 3 - 4 PM

Asian Spice 717 H Street NW Washington, DC 20001 Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown (red, yellow and green)

Interpretation service will be available.

Director Do's office hours in the community is back! He will meet and chat with you in your neighborhood.

Bring your questions and concerns, or just come to say "hi" and stay connected with MOAPIA and DC government.





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Diwali Celebration on November 9

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Please join Mayor Muriel Bowser as we celebrate Diwali - the Festival of Lights - with a lamp lighting ceremony, cultural performances and Indian food!

TIME: Wednesday, November 9, 2016 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: George Washington University Elliott School of International Affaris 1957 E Street, NW Suite 602 Washington, DC 20052

With the support of George Washington University Sigur Center of Asian Studies

Free Admissions

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MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

To **RSVP**, please visit https://happydiwali.eventbrite.com

For reasonable accomodations of a disability, please call (202)727-3120 seven days in advance.

Follow us on social media @DCmoapia Capture and share photos using ^{II}diwaliDC

November 9, 2016 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. #DiwaliDC

George Washington University (1957 E Street, NW Suite 602)

Announcements

Private Security Camera Incentive Program



The Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants (OVSJG) wants residents to improve public safety by participating in the **Private Security Camera Incentive Program.** This program encourages residents, businesses, nonprofits, and religious institutions to purchase and install security cameras.

The program provides a rebate of up to \$200 per camera, with a maximum rebate of up to \$500 per residential address and \$750 for all other addresses.

Information about the program and the application can be found at www.ovsjg.dc.gov. For additional information, contact security.cameras@dc.gov or (202) 727-5124.



Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act in Effect

The District of Columbia's **Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act (WTPAA) of 2014** became effective February 26, 2015.

Beginning of **July 1, 2016, the minimum wage in the D.C. will increase from \$10.50 to \$11.50 regardless of size of employer**. The Wage Theft Prevention Amendment Act also requires business owners to post Accrued Sick and Safe Leave Act and the Minimum Wage Revision Act, and the notice of WTPAA posters where employees can easily read. Also, according to the Act, all employees must receive a written copy of Employer Notice upon employment.

MOAPIA has been conducting door-to-door outreach to over 100 API business owners in the District to inform them about the changes and help them comply the law requirements.

For more information, contact DOES (202-671-1880) or Soojin Ku at MOAPIA (<u>soojin.ku@dc.gov</u>).

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