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“Leadership, Diversity, Empowerment and Beyond”



Year of the Rabbit

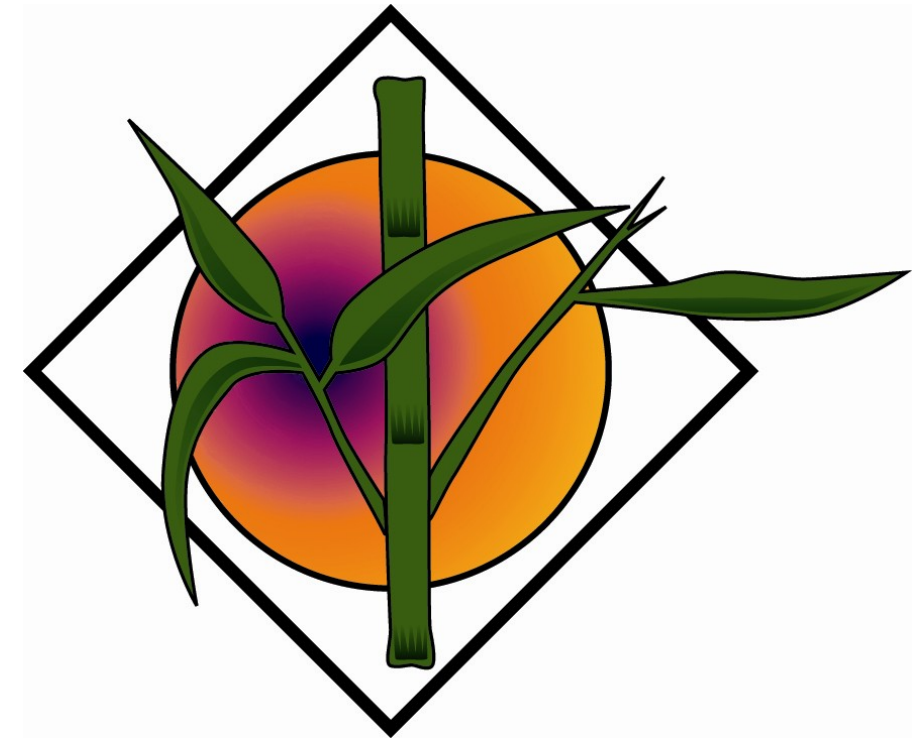
2011
Asian Pacific American
HERITAGE DAY

May 19, 2011

The
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Asian American Employees Association
(LACAAEA)
would like to thank the
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Asian Pacific American Heritage Month
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Los Angeles County
Asian American Employees Association
Celebrates
Asian Pacific American Heritage Day
May 19, 2011
11:00 a.m. ~ 1:00 p.m.



County of Los Angeles
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple Street
Los Angeles, California

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

History/Background¹

May is Asian Pacific American (APA) Heritage Month—a celebration of Asians and Pacific Islanders in the United States.

In June 1977, Representatives Frank Horton of New York and Norman Y. Mineta of California introduced a House resolution that called upon the president to proclaim the first ten days of May as Asian/Pacific Heritage Week. The following month, Senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga introduced a similar bill in the Senate. Both were passed. On October 5, 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a Joint Resolution designating the annual celebration.

In May 1990, the holiday was expanded further when President George H. W. Bush designated May to be Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants.

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month is celebrated with community festivals, government-sponsored activities, and educational activities for students. This year's theme is "Leadership, Diversity, Empowerment and Beyond."

¹ Source: <http://www.infoplease.com/spot/asianintro1.html>

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PROGRAM

Chinese Music

Performance by Liren Zhang (DPSS) playing the "Pipa" String Instrument

Indian Folk Dance

Performed by Sharanya Mukhopadhyay

Opening Remarks

Jackie Guevarra, President – Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA)

Introductions/Acknowledgements

Ted Chen – History on Heritage Day

Ted Chen – Introduction of Department Heads and Special Guests

Suzie Suh – Introduction of Community Organizations

National Anthem

Mina Adamee, Child Support Services Department

Welcome

Mayor Michael D. Antonovich, Board of Supervisors (Fifth District)

Dragon Dance Performance

Performed by County Department Heads

Jeff Chan & the Monterey Park Immortals

Guest Speaker

William T Fujioka, CEO, Los Angeles County

Mike A. Gin, Mayor of Redondo Beach

Keynote Speaker

John Chiang, California State Controller

Awards Presentation - Mike A. Gin, Mayor of Redondo Beach

Outstanding Community Service Award – Dr. Munson Arthur Kwok

Outstanding Community Service Award – Chinatown Service Center

Special Presentations

U.S. Congressmember Judy Chu, 32nd Congressional District

State Controller John Chiang

Assemblymember Mike Eng, 49th Assembly District

Assemblymember Ted Lieu, 53rd Assembly District

Assemblymember Mike Davis, 48th Assembly District

Assemblymember Roger Hernandez, 57th Assembly District

Harmony Dance Group Performance

"Spring Breezy Fan"

Performed by Suzanna Lim, Lan Lee, May Tsoi and Christina Khau Lui

Fashion Show

LACAAEA Members

Closing Remarks, Presentation of Gifts and Certificates

George G. Yan, Vice President of Programs and Events, Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA)

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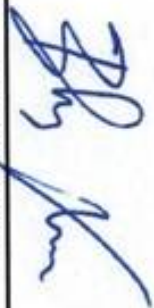
YEAR OF THE RABBIT

Heritage Day

LOS ANGELES ASIAN AMERICAN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs Commission recognizes the wonderful festivities that celebrated the countless contributions and accomplishments of Asian and Pacific Islanders in Los Angeles County.

On this 19th day of May, 2011,
We hereby honor Heritage Day.


BLONG XIONG
Commission Chair



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May 19, 2011

Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter to congratulate the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAE) for celebrating "Heritage Day 2011 – Year of the Rabbit."



It is always important to recognize the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community, not only for making great strides in overcoming adversity, but for the invaluable contributions it has made to the nation and society. From education, technology, business, entertainment, and politics, the Asian Pacific Islander community has had an amazing impact on every aspect of life around the world.

With this in mind, I would like to commend the LACAAE for its commitment in strengthening the API workforce so that the API community continues to influence society in a positive way. LACAAE's contributions to the greater Los Angeles area serve as an inspiration and as a reminder that great things can happen when we work together to achieve success.

On behalf of the United States House of Representatives and the people of the 32nd Congressional District, I join all of you in celebrating May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Congratulations and best wishes on an extraordinary event!

Sincerely,

Judy Chu

JUDY CHU, Ph.D.
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The LACAAEA 2011-2012 Board Officers would like to thank the committee members for their enthusiasm, dedication and perseverance in planning the 2011 Heritage Day Celebration. Without them, this event would not have been possible. Thank you!



JOHN CHIANG
California State Controller



May 19, 2011

Ms. Jackie Tabigne Guevarra
President
Los Angeles County Asian American
Employees Association
P.O. Box 86334
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Dear Friends:

It is my distinct pleasure to extend my warm congratulations to the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) as it celebrates Asian Pacific Islander American Heritage Month. This is an important time to reflect on the broad contributions and heritage of the APIA community in Los Angeles County and across the state.

I commend LACAAEA for providing professional development programs for more than 450 members and fostering civic pride and engagement that help strengthen California's multicultural fabric. LACAAEA members embody the strong tradition of public service and are contributors to the vibrant economic landscape and advancement of the APIA community in Southern California.

Congratulations once again to LACAAEA, and its members, friends, and supporters as you celebrate the APIA community's many milestones and significant accomplishments. I extend my best wishes for continued success as we work together to build a prosperous future for California.

Very truly yours,

JOHN CHIANG
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May 19, 2011

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Dear Friends:

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest greetings to the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association for hosting the 2011 Heritage Day with the theme "Leadership Diversity Empowerment and Beyond".

As you know, the celebration of Asian Pacific Islander American heritage was first established in 1978, when the week of May 1,-7 was officially named "Asian Pacific American Heritage Week." In 1990, the designated week was expanded to include the entire month of May.

From the first Japanese immigrant to the United States on May 7, 1843 and the completion of the transcontinental railroad built mostly by Chinese laborers in May 10, 1869 to the most recent wave of immigrants from Southeast Asia, the Asian Pacific Islander community is diverse in cultures and tradition with rich history that dates back to thousands of year. Furthermore, Asian Pacific Islander Americans have made invaluable contributions to our nation and our society.

Representing the 49th Assembly District of the State of California, I commend the efforts of the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association and I join all of you in celebrating May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I'd also like to congratulate this year's honorees, Dr. Munson Kwok and the Chinatown Service Center for receiving the "Outstanding Community Service" award for their outstanding contributions and service to the community.

Sincerely,

MIKE ENG
Assemblymember, 49th District

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY ASIAN/ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER WORKFORCE BY COUNTY DEPARTMENT

DEPT	White	African American	Hispanic	American Indian	Asian	Filipino	TOTAL
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION	110	19	103	0	60	21	313
ALTERNATE PUBLIC	124	37	89	2	35	1	288
ANIMAL CONTROL	91	47	161	2	14	9	324
ASSESSOR	392	274	256	4	271	241	1438
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER	122	74	104	3	169	75	547
BEACHES & HARBORS	55	67	75	2	19	7	225
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE	147	78	119	0	98	16	458
CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE	6	4	5	0	4	0	19
CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES	271	581	612	4	180	66	1714
CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES	1328	2236	2324	21	788	207	6904
COMMUNITY & SENIOR SERVICES	84	111	168	1	68	18	450
CONSUMER AFFAIRS	10	3	29	0	4	3	49
CORONER	71	28	76	2	15	1	193
COUNTY COUNSEL	245	70	113	3	49	28	508
DISTRICT ATTORNEY	956	337	510	9	282	71	2165
EXEC OFFICE BOARD OF SUPV	100	60	142	2	36	12	352
FIRE DEPARTMENT	2206	342	1129	13	203	73	3966
HEALTH SERVICES	2566	4101	5219	22	2445	2290	16643
HUMAN RESOURCES	49	64	69	2	52	23	259
INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	506	468	523	3	402	82	1984
LACERA	96	78	66	0	50	28	318
MENTAL HEALTH	1049	855	979	16	584	186	3669
MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS	6	5	11	0	0	1	23
MUSEUM OF ART	25	2	8	0	1	0	36
MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY	14	4	6	0	1	1	26
OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION	10	29	22	1	15	8	85
OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY	121	137	209	2	30	7	506
PARKS AND RECREATION	256	270	456	5	84	23	1094
PROBATION	748	2768	2058	20	336	86	6016
PUBLIC DEFENDER	518	201	251	6	120	28	1124
PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS	699	862	1085	6	709	306	3667
PUBLIC LIBRARY	272	80	207	4	73	22	658
PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES	2202	2804	5825	24	1927	379	13161
PUBLIC WORKS	1030	395	1130	4	546	135	3240
REGIONAL PLANNING	78	15	45	1	31	10	180
REGISTRAR - RECORDER	68	293	331	3	112	104	911
SHERIFF	5809	2464	5915	32	1307	1040	16567
TREASURER & TAX COLLECTOR	67	146	91	3	108	74	489
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May 19, 2011



Dear Friends:

Please accept my warmest wishes and congratulations as Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association (LACAAEA) celebrates "Heritage Day 2011."

I commend LACAAEA and its board members for their commitment to strengthening the Asian Pacific Islander (API) workforce in the greater Los Angeles area. LACAAEA plays a pivotal role in advocating for the API community through member involvement and events. It is important that we encourage the API community to actively participate and build relationships with the community to further our advancement in today's society.

LACAAEA's achievements and outstanding contributions to the community serve as an inspiration to everyone. I also want to commend all those involved in making this event happen. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication.

Congratulations and may you have a joyous celebration.

Sincerely,

TED W. LIEU
SENATOR, 28th DISTRICT

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May 19, 2011

*Congratulations to the Los Angeles County
Asian American Employees Association on their
2011 Asian Pacific American Heritage Day Celebration*


On behalf of the constituents of the 48th District, I would like to congratulate you on the commemoration of the 2011 Asian Pacific American Heritage Day Celebration. I commend you on your commitment to promoting awareness of the Asian American and Pacific Islander American culture and for celebrating the many accomplishments of the Asian Pacific American community.

I wholeheartedly join with LACAEEA in the mission to increase civic awareness, political participation, professional development and career advancement. Your vision and leadership provides an exceptional model for creating opportunities for a diverse constituency.

Thank you for your outstanding service to the Los Angeles community.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Very truly yours,



Mike Davis
Assemblyman, 48th District



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National Anthem

Sung by Mina Adamee, LA County Child Support Services Department

Chinese Music



When Liren Zhang was in China, she learned to play a four-stringed lute called the "Pipa." It is one of the oldest Chinese musical instruments with over 2000 years of history.

The word Pipa is a combination of pi "to play forward" and pa "to play backward." This refers to the playing technique of plucking the strings forward and backward. Contemporary musicians hold the Pipa vertically in the lap, plucking the strings with both hands using plectra (picks) on the fingernails.

The song she will be playing is called "Yi Dance." It is about a group of young men and young women dancing around campfire.

Liren Zhang is an employee at DPSS, West Valley District (#82).

Dragon Dance Performance/ Jeff Chan and the Immortals



Performed by County Department Heads

Sponsored by Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association



Indian Folk Dance

Dance: "Devdas" - Bollywood/Semi-classical piece that combines emotions of love, happiness, and ecstasy in a young women's romance.

Performed by: Sharanya Mukhopadhyay



Harmony Dance Group

Dancers: Suzanna Lim, Lan Lee, May Tsoi, Christina Khau Lui

Dance: "Spring Breezy Fan"

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May 19, 2011

Ms. Jackie Tabigne Guevarra
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Dear President Tabigne Guevarra:

Congratulations on your celebration of Asian Pacific Heritage Day! The Asian American community is an integral component life here in Southern California, and I enthusiastically encourage efforts to recognize how the community has contributed to the region's diversity and vibrancy.

For over 40 years, your organization has aggressively advocated for your members, improved working conditions and promoted equitable recruitment, appointment and promotion opportunities in the County civil service. You are a key channel of information to county employees, and provide counsel and assistance to employees in need of fair representation.

Beyond official county service, the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association continues to actively organize and promote Asian American cultural events to enrich all our lives and celebrate cultural awareness. Your work helps us all to recognize how fortunate we are to live in such a diverse community.

Your record of success speaks for itself. I am honored and privileged to count myself a friend of the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association. Congratulations on another year of hard work and achievement.

Sincerely,

ROGER HERNÁNDEZ
Assemblymember, 57th District



Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
MAYOR

May 6, 2011

Dear Friends:

Best wishes to you and the Los Angeles County Asian American Employees Association for a successful event as you observe the "2011 Heritage Day – Year of the Rabbit."

Los Angeles County appreciates the Associations' dedication and successful efforts in honoring the contributions of the countless Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to our county, state, and nation.

Best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,



MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
Mayor



EMCEES



Ted Chen
KNBC 4

Ted Chen is the anchor of the Saturday edition of "Today in LA" and also anchors the new program "Sunday LA" on NBC4's Digital Channel 4.2. He is also a general assignment reporter for the "Channel 4 News."

Since joining the award-winning NBC4 Los Angeles in 1995, Chen has reported on many major news stories. He covered the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing China, reporting live on the gold-medal winning accomplishments of Team USA as well as the impact of economic

transformation in a country of more than one billion people.

In 2004 and 2005, Chen covered the Scott Peterson Trial in Redwood City, California. A journalist with a diverse array of skills, Chen has also covered such Hollywood events as the Academy Awards, Golden Globes and Emmy Awards.

In addition to his duties at NBC4, Chen is also a fill-in host on 89.3, KPCC, Southern California Public Radio. As a substitute host for Larry Mantle and Pat Morrison, he interviews newsmakers on a local, state and National level.

Chen came to NBC4 from KGTV in San Diego, where he began in 1993 as a general assignment reporter and substitute anchor for the weekday morning and weekend newscasts.

In 2002, Chen was honored by the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism's Workshop on Journalism, Race & Ethnicity, for his series of news stories on Asian Americans. The pieces dealt with Asian American political power, the role of Chinese schools in shaping Chinese American children, and the forgotten heroics of Chinese American World War II veterans.

Chen is a member of the Board of Directors for the Chinese American Museum in Los Angeles and regularly serves as master of ceremonies for many community events in Los Angeles and throughout the San Gabriel Valley.

Chen began his career in 1990 as a production and writer's assistant at KCAL-TV in Los Angeles. He attended the University of California at Los Angeles, and graduated from the University of California in San Diego with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science.



Suzie Suh
CBS 2 / KCAL 9

Suzie Suh was born in South Korea, raised in Orange County and went to school in San Diego. She considers herself a true 'So-Cal Girl' at heart but really learned that "there's no place like home" while moving around the country for her job.

Before joining the CBS2/KCAL9 News team as a General Assignment Reporter for the Orange County Bureau, Suzie was a Reporter/Fill-in Anchor/Weekend Assignment Editor for the WB affiliate in 'Fabulous Las Vegas.' She also spent a couple of cruel, but beautiful winters in Northwestern Montana where she 'one-man banded' for a NBC affiliate.

Suzie's passion for journalism is rooted in two things: The ability to learn something new every day and meeting the people who teach her those things — with the outdoors as her office space.

Suzie enjoys hula and hip-hop dancing pretending like she plays golf and spending time with family and friends.

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From the Ed Jewik Family

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GUEST SPEAKER



MIKE A. GIN
Mayor of Redondo Beach

Michael A. Gin is currently serving on his 2nd Term as the 28th Mayor of the City of Redondo Beach. Since May 2003, Mike has served as a Field Deputy for Los Angeles Supervisor Don Knabe representing the communities of San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City, Westfield, Academy Hill, and the cities of Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, and Rolling Hills Estates.

As Mayor, he currently serves as a Vice Chair of the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, Honorary Chair of the Redondo Beach Sister Cities Committee, Delegate to the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee, and is a member of the Board of Directors for the District 5 and South Bay Cities Boards of the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts.

In 1999, Mike was one of seven Chinese-American municipal elected officials in LA County honored with CAUSE's (Chinese Americans United for Self-Empowerment) "Citizen of the Year" award for contributions and service to the LA Chinese-American community. Also in the same year, Mike was selected as one of fourteen elected officials from across the country selected to participate in the Elected Officials Leadership Academy sponsored by the Asian Pacific Institute for Congressional Studies (APAICS) in Washington, DC.

In 1993, he was honored by the Redondo Beach Jaycees and the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce as "Young Man of the Year" for his dedication and years of service to the Redondo Beach community. Mike enjoys traveling, snow skiing, working out, and playing the piano.

Mike has declared his candidacy for Congressman for the 36th Congressional District.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Controller John Chiang
California State Controller's Office

John Chiang was re-elected in November 2010 to serve as Controller of the State of California, the eighth-largest economy in the world. As the State's chief fiscal officer, Chiang has fought to make the State's finances more transparent and accountable to the public, and to weed out waste, fraud and abuse of public funds. Chiang has led efforts to reform the State's public pension systems, helped local governments navigate difficult economic times, protected California's precious natural resources, reunited owners with more than \$1 billion in unclaimed

property, and launched financial and tax assistance seminars for California's working families, seniors, small businesses and non-profit organizations.

As the State's chief fiscal officer, John Chiang brings extensive experience and fiscal leadership to the State Controller's Office. Chiang was first elected to the Board of Equalization in 1998 where he served two terms, including three years as chair. He began his career as a tax law specialist with the Internal Revenue Service and previously served as an attorney in the State Controller's Office.

The son of immigrant parents, Chiang graduated with honors from the University of South Florida with a degree in Finance. He received his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.

OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



Dr. Munson Arthur Kwok

Dr. Munson Arthur Kwok received his Bachelor of Science, Master of Science and Ph.D. from Stanford University and has been an aerospace engineer, physicist, and systems engineer for over 40 years. He has had a busy professional life in research and space acquisition, working at the Aerospace Corporation. He is a member of professional organizations, such as the National AIAA Plasma dynamics and Lasers Technical Committee, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Physical Society, Directed Energy Professional Society. He has been president and chair of Chinese-American Engineers and Scientists Association of Southern California. Dr. Kwok has authored and coauthored over 65 publications, presentations, and reports. Among the many professional honors he has received included the Asian Pacific American of the Year (The Aerospace Corporation), Who's Who in Aviation Technology, and Who's Who in Technology Today, and recently, Contractor Employee of Quarter (1Q, 2010) from MDA Missile Defense Group.

Even with his professional commitments, Dr. Kwok is still very active in his community. While he was president of the Chinese Historical Society of Southern California, he helped establish the Chinese American Museum (then known as the Museum of Chinese American History). Today, he is Second Vice President, Development, of the Chinese American Museum. He served on Chinatown Community Advisory Committee of the Redevelopment Agency 1986-2003. From 2005 - 2009, he served as the National President of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, a civil and immigrant rights organization, and remains on its National Board. He is currently on the KCET Community Advisory Board.

Dr. Kwok has been honored for many of his efforts to promote Chinese American history and his involvement in the Chinese American and other communities. He and his wife Sullen received the prestigious KCET "Local Hero" award for their work in preserving Chinese American culture and history and the Mathews award of City Historical Society, and the Peace and Justice Award of UCLA's Asian American Studies Center. He recently received the Golden Spike Award for community service from Chinese Historical Society of Southern California. In 2010, he received the State Assembly's Day of Inclusion award for his work to bring together the various ethnic communities.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



William T. Fujioka is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the County of Los Angeles. The CEO is responsible for managing the largest county in the nation (over 10 million residents), with a budget of approximately \$22 billion and over 90,000 employees; and is responsible for countywide policy and program leadership -- from health and social services to public safety, community and municipal services to recreation/culture and the arts.

Mr. Fujioka first came to work for the County in 1978 holding various positions. He was an examinations analyst, Civil Service appeals analyst, personnel officer, and administrator in the Department of Health Services, including administrator and chief executive officer of High Desert Hospital/Antelope Valley Cluster. He left the County in 1997 to become general manager of the Personnel Department for the City of Los Angeles serving in this capacity for two years. In August 1999, he was named Los Angeles' City Administrative Officer and served for eight years in that capacity before retiring.

After a brief retirement, he was appointed by the Los Angeles County's Board of Supervisors as the first Chief Executive Officer in July 2007, under a new governance structure whereby the CEO exercises executive authority over most County departments and operations.

OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER

Chinatown Service Center (CSC) is the largest community-based private, non-profit Chinese American health and human services organization in Southern California.

Founded in 1971, CSC assists over 10,000 unduplicated immigrants and other individuals, 85% of low-to-moderate income, annually in three major program areas:

- ❖ A Federally Qualified Community Health Center, with primary medical, dental, behavioral health and related social case management services;
- ❖ Community Economic Development Department, including a Full Service L.A. City WorkSource Center and Small Business Program; and
- ❖ Family and Community Services, including a Child Development Center, a Youth Center, and Senior Services Program.

The growth of staff and services at CSC since its modest beginnings in 1971 reflects an expansion of the Center's goals and the needs of the community. Furthermore, CSC promotes greater community collaboration and partnerships to assist underserved populations in achieving their American dream.

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Lawrence J. Lue, Chief Executive Officer