

# CACF Action Council Information & Application

## **INFORMATION**

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### *About CACF*

The Coalition for Asian American Children and Families (CACF), the nation's only non-profit children's rights organization, aims to improve the health and well being of Asian Pacific American children and families in New York City.

CACF challenges stereotypes of Asian Pacific Americans, the fastest growing community in New York City, as a "model minority" and advocates on behalf of underserved families in our community, especially immigrants struggling with poverty and limited English skills. CACF promotes better policies, funding, and services for East Asian, South Asian, Southeast Asian, and Pacific Islander children, youth, and families. Our work in the areas of Child Welfare, Education, Health, and Youth Services empowers:

- **Youth** to become the next generation of neighborhood leaders,
- **Parents** to take a more active role in their children's education,
- **Service providers** to implement quality children's programs, and
- **Policymakers** to invest in services for children and families.

CACF promotes equity and access through policy advocacy, youth leadership and parent education, research, and coalition building. Since 1986, CACF has been the leader in advocating for Asian Pacific American children and families by working with the Mayor's Office, City Council, and city agencies.

### *About the Action Council*

The Action Council is a group of young professionals who work to support the mission of CACF through fundraising, outreach, and raising awareness of CACF's activities and goals.

### **We believe...**

- In the importance of promoting awareness and understanding of the issues which impact children and families from Asian Pacific American communities in New York City.
- That the larger community can contribute to the improvement of the physical and mental well-being of Asian Pacific American children through active community participation.
- That engaging and involving people from various communities through social, cultural and educational events can have far-reaching effects on the Asian Pacific American community.

### **Our Goals are...**

- To generate funds and other resources to support the work of the CACF.
- To raise community awareness of CACF's ongoing mission and programs.
- To promote coalition building and collaboration with other organizations and that work with issues relevant to CACF.

### **We expect all members to...**

- Serve a term of at least one year.
- Within the membership term,
  - Attend monthly meetings
  - Participate in CACF and AC's major annual fundraisers
  - Participate in at least one additional AC fundraiser and one educational event.
  - Help plan and execute one AC event.
  - Donate to CACF
- Participate in other CACF-sponsored activities when possible.

## **ACTION COUNCIL MEMBER APPLICATION**

Please submit your application and a current resume by **5 pm, Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>** to [actioncouncil@cafc.org](mailto:actioncouncil@cafc.org). We will notify you if you are selected for an interview. Interviews will take place from **now through July 31<sup>st</sup>**.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please respond to the following questions (use a separate sheet if necessary):**

- 1) Why are you interested in joining the Action Council?
- 2) What is one issue in the Asian Pacific American community that is important to you and why?
- 3) How do you think you can contribute to the Action Council?
- 4) What skills, resources, or connections do you bring to our organization?

**Please list your other community involvements and approximate time spent per month on each (if regular participation, list days & times involved):**

**How did you find out about CACF?**

### **Acknowledgement**

My signature on this application affirms my commitment to the following:

- Ability to serve term of at least one year
- Attendance at monthly meetings
- Participation in CACF and AC's major annual fundraisers
- Participation in at least one additional AC fundraiser and one educational event.
- Helping plan and execute at least one AC event.
- Ability to donate to CACF (for example, purchasing tickets to CACF's annual fundraiser)

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**Signature**

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**Date**

*Thanks for your interest in the CACF Action Council!*