# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

**Mayor’s Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

**FROM:** Ben de Guzman, Director, Mayor’s Office on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs

**CC:** Lindsey Parker, Chief of Staff for the Mayor

**DATE: Monday October 21st** , 2024

**SUBJECT:** Report to Commission on API Affairs, from August 31st – September 27th, 2024.

**Announcements**

* MOAPIA is looking for two more Community Outreach Specialist to complete the team. We are currently in the process of interviewing.

1. **Community Outreach**

**Small Business Technical Assistance (SBTA)**   
MOAPIA has continued its community outreach engaging with AAPI small business owners and assisting them with their diverse challenges and needs. Through August 31st – September 27th, 2024.

, MOAPIA assisted 50 businesses and provided case assistance and resources regarding issues such as Business Grants, Permit, Building inspection, Business license, Small business resources, DC Façade Improvement Program, Tax, Clean hands certificate etc.

**Assistance with other DC government agencies regarding translation services**

MOAPIA continues to ensure that LEP/NEP AAPI residents can access resources in their language when they interface with the District government. From August 31st – September 27th, 2024.

, MOAPIA provided translations and quality control reviews on several documents for other DC agencies:

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| DOH | Date Change \_ DC Health's 5th Annual Books and Blocks Party |
| OHR | Director Message September Newsletter |
| DOH | Location Change \_ DC Health's 5th Annual Books and Blocks Party |
| DOES | PFL Tax Rate Change FAQ and Preparation Guidance 2024 |
| DOES | File title |

**MOAPIA Public Safety**

MOAPIA is reaching out to residents and small business owners through its rigorous community outreach and joint public safety outreach with MPD. From August 31st – September 27th, 2024.

MOAPIA conducted 2 resident outreach and 19 business outreach and connected 132 victims with DC resources such as Security Camera Rebate Program, Crime Victims Compensation Program and other MPD and law enforcement resources.

**MOAPIA Regular Outreach**

MOAPIA has continued engaging with AANHPI residents and small business owners through its in-person outreach, virtual outreach (via calls, emails, and texts), events, and public meeting opportunities. We also aid in cases regarding Medicaid renewal, SNAP, roadway vendors and small business tax issues and following up on Unemployment Insurance applications, as well as sharing various DC resources.

MOAPIA also continues to play a lead role in the Chinatown Safe Commercial Corridor Hub- staffing the outpost of government and law enforcement services on H Street. MOAPIA serves as lead city government staff at the Hub three days a week. On May 13, Mayor Bowser opened a new Hub in Anacostia.

**Other Activities, Events, and Meetings (Lap)**

7/9   Joint outreach with DLCP at National Mall  
7/23 National mall outreach - **20 businesses**  
8/5   Ward 6 Outreach- **2** businesses (Lobby Mart/Jack's Deli)  
8/16 Ward 6 Outreach- **1** business (Jack’s famous deli)  
8/19 Ward 6 Outreach - **2**businesses (Family Dinette/Lobby Mart)  
8/21 National mall outreach - **17 businesses**  
8/23 Ward 6 Outreach - **2** businesses (Jack's Deli/Lobby Mart)

10/2 Samuel Kelsey Apartments Seniors Visitation – **12 seniors**

10/3 Night Market Debrief with External Partners

10/9 Community Education Forum by Legal Counsel for Elderly’s and Office of DC Long Term Care Ombudsman

10/9 Food Policy Council Meeting and THEARC Farm Tour

**Upcoming Outreach Activities (Nhat)**

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| **Activity** | **Date** |  | **Time** | **Location** |
| Public Safety Hub | 09/03/2024 |  | 9:00 AM | Chinatown Public Safety Hub |
| Korean Movie Night | 9/06/2024 |  | 6:00 PM | MLK Library- [901 G St NW, Washington, DC 20001](https://www.bing.com/ck/a?!&&p=060c124c3a9be12eJmltdHM9MTcyODI1OTIwMCZpZ3VpZD0wMzk2ZTU5Ni05NjE5LTYwZjktMDlkNy1mMDk1OTdmNzYxOTYmaW5zaWQ9NTg5Mw&ptn=3&ver=2&hsh=3&fclid=0396e596-9619-60f9-09d7-f09597f76196&u=a1L21hcHM_Jm1lcGk9MTI3fn5Vbmtub3dufkFkZHJlc3NfTGluayZ0eT0xOCZxPU1hcnRpbiUyMEx1dGhlciUyMEtpbmclMjBKci4lMjBNZW1vcmlhbCUyMExpYnJhcnkmc3M9eXBpZC5ZTjg3M3gxMjQxNjQzODUyNzMzMDEzMzAyMyZwcG9pcz0zOC44OTg2OTMwODQ3MTY4Xy03Ny4wMjQ4NzE4MjYxNzE4OF9NYXJ0aW4lMjBMdXRoZXIlMjBLaW5nJTIwSnIuJTIwTWVtb3JpYWwlMjBMaWJyYXJ5X1lOODczeDEyNDE2NDM4NTI3MzMwMTMzMDIzfiZjcD0zOC44OTg2OTN-LTc3LjAyNDg3MiZ2PTImc1Y9MSZGT1JNPU1QU1JQTA&ntb=1) |
| Chinatown and Beyond Smithsonian Tabling | 9/07/2024 |  | 9:00 AM | 8th and G Streets, NW  Washington, DC 20004 |
| Serve DC- 9/11 Day of Service | 9/11/2024 |  | 3:00 PM | 1309 5th Street NE Washington, DC 20002 |
| MOAPIA Asian Night Market Pop-Up | 9/19/2024 |  | 11:00 AM | Lotus Plaza and Chinatown Park |
| MOLA Fiesta DC Parade | 9/29/2024 |  | 2:00 PM | 700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW (700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, District of Columbia) |
| DDOT Open Streets | 10/05/2024 |  | 9:00 AM | 7th Street NW |
| Annual Toy Drive | 12/11/2024 |  | 2:00 PM | 441 4th St NW, Old Council Chamber |
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