

Stand Together SF

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Historic, systemic racism have both deprived our communities of fundamental social justice and left us working apart on matters that can be best addressed by working and standing together.

**HRC Commission
Presentation 11 May 2023**

Who We Are

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We are a gathering of community and socially minded people representing different cultures and neighborhoods who stand together to address root causes of Asian Hate and the impact violence has on our communities.



Stand Together SF Meets Monthly

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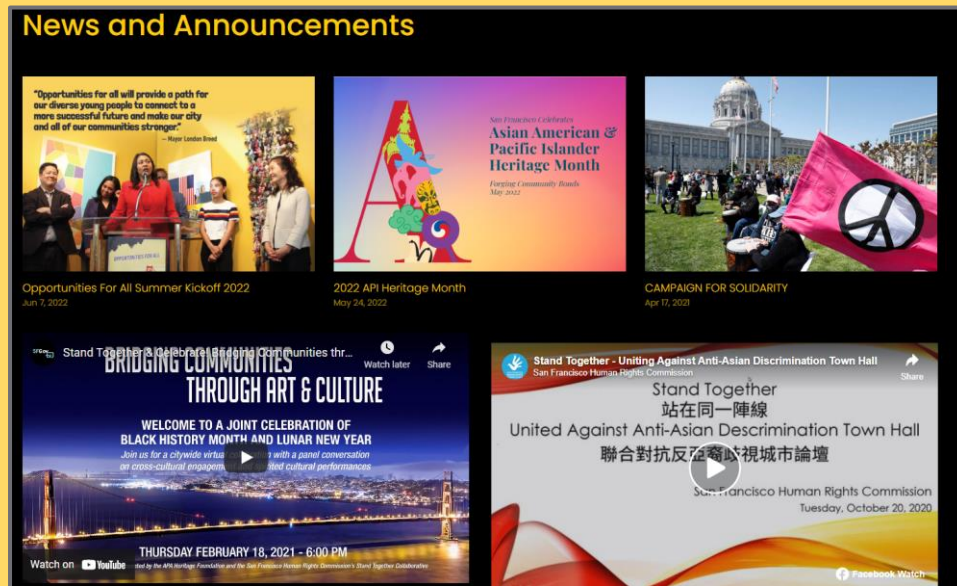
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- *In 2022-23, Stand Together SF met 1 per month with an average attendance of 10 organizations*
- *The meeting led the way for the Asian Black Cookout, the Change the Narratives Art Campaign, and rallied support for community events by community agencies present*
- *Stand Together will change in coming year to focus more on in-person meetings and experiential education*

Stand Together SF Website

Web Presence

- Website Updated
 - Stats for 2022
 - × 3100 pageviews
 - × 2100 visits
 - × 1700 unique visitors
 - × (Approx. 99/mo.)
- + Community calendar live on site and part of HRC Public Calendar
- + On IG

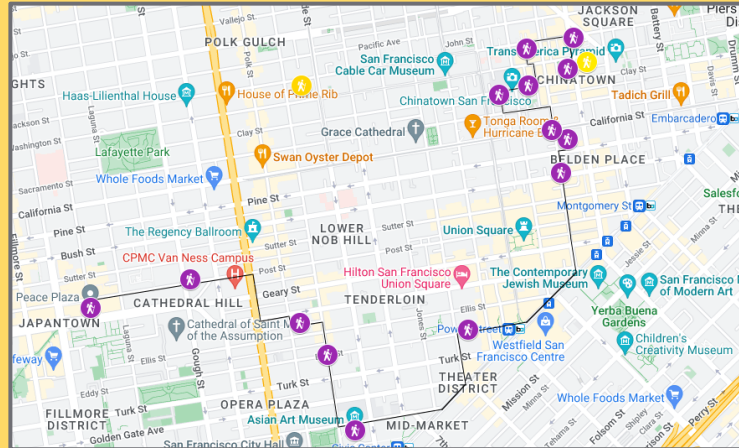
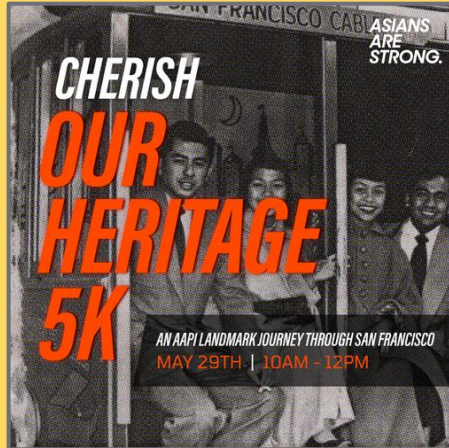


<https://standtogethersf.org/>

Stand Together Partners with Community

Our Heritage 5K Fun Run

- Human Rights Commission Primary Sponsor of First Annual Event with over 400 in attendance
- This event has now run for two-years and works to educate and unify communities through this great outdoor fun run



Stand Together Partners with Community

ABC Cookout (Asian Black Cookout)

- 1st run of a community event bringing food from many cultures together (food was free)
- The event had educational opportunities, games, and opportunities for people to just sit and enjoy a meal together
- Over 800 people attended the event and planning is in progress for Aug event in the Mission (Asian Latinx cookoff)



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Changing the Narratives Art Campaign

- Campaign designed to promote positive imagery of Black and Asian Seniors and their value to family and community
- 27 Entries and \$3775.00 in prizes awarded to artists
- Each work of art came with a story – some quite powerful



Stand Together Partners with Community

Changing the Narratives Art Campaign

- Awards presented during the Drumbeats, Heartbeats Communities as One Celebration event co produced by Stand Together SF
- Event sold out and we filled the place with over 250 people



Stand Together Partners with Community

Stand Together Representatives Attended

- AAPI Heritage Awards
- Vicha Ratanapakdee Street Renaming
- District 10 Celebration with Both Sides of the Conversation
- Black Inventors Bookmark Dedication
- Anna Mae Wong Quarter Release and Celebration
- Chinese Railroad Workers Center Dedication



Goals and Outcomes for Stand Together SF

Outreach

- “Changing the Narrative” – HRC led campaign to generate content (pictures, art, stories, video) that reflects the value of our API Community and the truth of our many community’s solidarity with one another
 - ✦ Artwork Requests for Submission in works
 - ✦ Active Partnerships with [“Humans of San Francisco”](#) – Mikayla Cheng and “Citizen Film” – Sophie Constantinou



“My family was the first Chinese family to be in the Sunset... Thank goodness I had brothers and sisters, so we just stayed together”



“As long as we keep spreading this art and keep spreading this culture it’s going to break down barriers”

“Just by giving myself that immersive experience of being on the Lion Dance team, I was able to bring that back home and speak more to my grandparents..., I want to learn about all the traditions because who’s going to pass it down to my family if it’s not me?”

RFP 78 – Asian Violence Prevention and Security



- This Request for Proposals (RFP) in the amount of \$400,000 is focused on **delivering innovative and culturally responsive services to improve outcomes in preventing, intervening in, and healing from hate violence for Asian and Pacific Islander communities** and various affected communities in San Francisco. The RFP seeks proposals in four (4) program areas: public safety; cross-cultural solidarity; transformative justice; and language access. The best proposals should also identify and address any underlying causes of hate violence or other race-based structural violence. This RFP has been heavily informed by the Citywide Public Safety Landscape Analysis conducted by HRC.

RFP 78 – Asian Violence Prevention and Security



- ORE administering the grant(s)
- 3 Organizations applied for grant; only 1 awarded
- Chinese Culture Foundation awarded \$250K
- Re-release of RFP with additional \$150K soon
 - + Minor editing and focus on outreach (promotion of grant money) and assistance with application process
 - + Small grant amounts

RFP 78 – CCC Approach



- The CCC's Chinatown History and Art Tour (C.H.A.T) program bridges the gap in how Asian American studies is taught in schools by rooting its curriculum in community history and issues. Over the past 2 school years, the CCC has worked closely with educators and community partners to highlight community narratives making current issues and practices relevant and accessible to various ages.
- Outcomes: By launching the Asian & Black Chinatown (ABC) Unity Education Project, the CCC and SFUSD will provide a pilot and toolkit to deepen cross-racial connection and understanding.

RFP 78 – CCC Approach



Action	Timeline
Phase 1 - Research & Development Jul 2023 - Apr 2024	
Facilitate 5 listening sessions on the history of Black and Asian solidarity within Chinatown	Jul - Dec 2023
Develop first iteration of Black and Asian solidarity curriculum for middle - high school aged students	Oct 2023 - Apr 2024
Phase 2 - Teacher Engagement Oct 2023 - Jul 2024	
Teacher Reviewer Focus Group	Oct 2023 - Mar 2024
Host summer Teacher Pilot Program for SFUSD educators	Marc - Sept 2024
Phase 3 - Community Engagement and Sharing	
Organize 1 Community Panel	Dec 2024/Jan 2025
Organize free pilot tours for high school students & classroom teachers	Sept - Dec 2024

Ongoing Need



- US Department of Homeland Security [identified white supremacists](#) as the most persistent and lethal threat in America.
- initial data appeared to show a drop in hate crimes but was missing information from some of the country's largest cities, including New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago, and data from most of Florida and California, after [the FBI switched to a new reporting system](#).
- ...new records were set. It was the worst year for anti-Latino crimes and anti-Asian crimes and more than double that of the previous year for Asian victims. It was the second-worst year on record for Black victims and had the most offenses committed against transgender and Sikh victims since that data started being recorded in 2015.