

Aging Among Southeast Asian Americans in California: Assessing Strengths and Challenges, Strategizing for the Future

Friday, October 17, 2003 - Draft Agenda

- 8:30-9:00 Continental Breakfast and Registration
- 9:00-9:30 Welcome
- 9:30-10:00 Keynote Address
- 10:00-10:45 Plenary: Aging Among Southeast Asian Americans in California
- An overview of state and national data on aging among Southeast Asian Americans
 - Important gaps in our knowledge, and areas needing further research and information dissemination.
- 10:45-11:00 Break
- 11:00-12:00 Aging in My Local Community: Small Groups (4) Divided According to Regions of California
- Discussion of the needs and strengths of elderly services in local communities, and determination of provisional understandings
 - Identifying spokespeople and drafting statements
- 12:00-12:30 Small Groups Report to the Full Group
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch with Funders and Policymakers
Participants will divide into small groups and have lunch with at least one representative of a funding organization, and at least one policymaker, in order to build relationships and share information.
- 1:30-2:15 Plenary: Aging Services and Organizing For and Among Southeast Asian Americans in California
- Services available to communities, and gaps in service provision
 - How Southeast Asian Americans have worked successfully in the field of aging (best practices, organizational profiles, etc.)
- 2:15-3:15 Aging in My Ethnic Community: Small Groups (4) Divided According to Ethnicity (Hmong, Khmer, Lao & Laotian ethnic minority, and Vietnamese):
- Discussion of needs and strengths of elderly services in ethnic communities, and determination of provisional understandings.
 - Identifying spokespeople and drafting statements
- 3:15-3:45 Small Groups Report to the Full Group
- 3:45-4:00 Break
- 4:00-5:00 Strategizing: Making the Future Better
- The full group, with the help of a facilitator, will identify priority issues for focus and next steps.
 - Each participant will commit to at least one concrete activity that moves the common agenda forward (e.g., a meeting with a public official, a conversation with a researcher, membership in an e-mail listserv, etc.)
- 5:00-5:30 Closing and Evaluation

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