



ANTI-ASIAN HATE CRIMES WORKGROUP

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**We need concrete action,
informed by careful thought,
analysis, and consideration of
different perspectives.**

Areas Explored by the Workgroup

- Tracking anti-Asian bias incidents and crimes
- Education
- Law enforcement
- Outreach and media
- Grants
- Business community

**Government has an important role,
but it's on all of us to educate,
inspire, discuss, and progress.**

Nearly one-third of Asian Americans have experienced some form of discrimination since the beginning of the pandemic.

Hate crimes targeting Asian
Americans **rose by 150%**
nationwide in 2020.



Today I am announcing a series of immediate statewide actions to combat incidents of hate and bias against Asian Americans and empower victims.

Enhanced Safety and Enforcement

1. **Updating Hate and Bias Training for Law Enforcement Agencies**
2. **Designating Maryland State Police Liaison for Hate Crimes and Racially Biased Incidents, Improving Data Sharing Across Agencies**
3. **Encouraging Law Enforcement to Prioritize and Incentivize Diversity in Recruiting**
4. **Providing \$1 Million in Funding For Devices with Translation Apps for Law Enforcement and Victims Services Organizations**
5. **Calling on the Justice Department to Expedite Clear Guidance for the Federal COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act**

Community Resources

6. Increasing 'Protecting Against Hate Crimes Funding' To \$5 Million
7. Publishing a Guide For Reporting Hate Crimes and Incidents Available in Asian Languages
8. Working With 211 Maryland To Expand Resources For Reporting Hate and Bias Incidents
9. Launching an Online Resource Center
10. Developing a Pilot Program to Create Alternative Reporting Channels for Hate and Bias Incidents

Additional Tools for Educators and Students

- 11. Tasking the Maryland Center For School Safety With Developing Resources on Reporting Hate and Bias Incidents**
- 12. Making an Education Toolkit Available for Teachers and Parents**
- 13. Working with the Maryland State Department of Education With Professional Development Offerings on Asian American History**
- 14. Will Work With University System to Expand Fellowships and Scholarships to Encourage More Asian American Participation in Journalism**



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