## **VICTIM RESOURCES**

## **Crisis Lines for Crime Report**

• Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) - Georgia \$\,770-216-3000

("I need to report a hate crime and I speak \_\_\_\_\_")

- Georgia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
   404-657-1956 (Community Program Supervisor Office)
   404-657-2222 (Victim Compensation)
- https://cicc.georgia.gov
- Lawyers' Committee
  \( \) 1-844-9-NO-HATE (664283)

(Speak: Chinese-Cantonese and Mandarin, Korean, Vietnamese, and Punjabi)

- https://www.lawyerscommittee.org/project/no-hateresource-hotline
- CPACS Victim Services \$678-824-6189



## Report Online to Community Organizations

- Stand Against Hatred

  https://www.standagainsthatred.org
- Stop AAPI Hate
   https://stopaapihate.org/reportincident
- AAPI Hate Crimes:
- <u>www.aapihatecrimes.org/aapi-hate-incident-form</u>
- A Safe Haven for Asians & Asian Americans (ASHAAA)
- https://www.ashaaa.org

# Hate Crime?

#### **Hate Crime**

Any act or attempted act constitutes an offense under criminal law that is motivated by bias against race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, disability, mental disability, or physical disability. This includes: physical attack such as assault, murder, arson, property damage, threats, and harassment.

#### Bias or Hate Incident (Not a Hate Crime)

Any act of prejudice that is not a crime and <u>does not</u> involve violence, threats, or property damage.

<u>Examples:</u> name calling, insults, or displaying hate material on your property or public places.

# Why is it important? To Report:

- Citizen or not, you have rights.
- Don't be ashamed or in denial. You are not alone in this and there is community to support you.
- By reporting you may be able to get financial assistance.
- Help other victims of crime.
- Police can charge the perpetrator and prevent them from doing it again.
- Law enforcement will have that data on hate crimes and will be able to put resources to prevent future incidents.

**ABOUT CPACS** 

The Center for Pan Asian
Community Services, Inc.
(CPACS) is a 501(c)(3)
nonprofit organization
located in Atlanta, Georgia.
Established as the first and
largest Asian and Pacific Islander
health and human service agency in the Southeast region, CPACS has been providing its core group of services to immigrant and refugee families in
Georgia since 1980.

Our mission is to promote self-sufficiency and equity for immigrants, refugees, and the underprivileged through comprehensive health and social services, capacity building, and advocacy. CPACS staff and volunteers serve over 72,000 clients a year and has the ability to speak over 17 different languages, both Asian and non-Asian.

## **Center for Pan Asian Community Services**

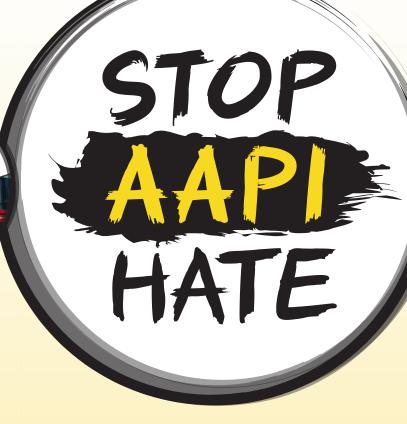
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## **SUPPORT GUIDE**

## **CPACS MAIN OFFICE**

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## I was a victim of Hate Crime, what do I do?





Write down any details of the crime as soon as possible after the incident.

Include the attacker(s) gender, age, height, race, weight, clothes and other special or noticeable traits like tattoos or piercings. If there are any threats or biased comments made.

## File a police report

- Get the officer's name and badge number.
- Make sure the officer takes your testimony and assigns a case number. A week after the incident, call the police station with the case number to get a copy of your report emailed to you, or go in person and ask for one.
- If you believe the incident was bias-motivated, urge the officer to check the "hate/bias-motivation" or "hate crime/incident" box on the police report.

## Notify your local community organization,

such as CPACS, about the incident. Call CPACS Victim Services Line at 678-824-6189

## Find support

- Friends and family.
- Get professional help. Find a list of resources on the back of this brochure.

## As a **bystander**, what do I need to know?



## Focus on the victim, not the perpetrator

<u>Examples:</u> talk to the person being harassed, pretend to know them, and casually lead them away from the perpetrator. Try to pull other individuals in and ask them to help.

### Record the incident

- Record the incident if you can, in a safe and responsible way.
- If you record the incident, give it to the victim and let them decide what to do with it. Directly posting the recorded incident to social media might cause the victim more harm than good.



## Call out problematic behavior

If you do decide to directly engage with the perpetrator, call their behavior out loud. Some examples include:

"That's inappropriate, disrespectful, not okay, etc."
"That's homophobic, racist, etc."
"Hev! Stop that!"

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## Call the police - but ask the victim first

- If someone is in need of medical assistance, call 911.
   Ask the person being harassed whether or not that's something they want.
- Call 1-844-9-NO-HATE (664283) where trained staff and volunteers will provide legal information about hate incidents and crimes, reporting, as well as the kinds of legal remedies that may be available in different states.



## Check in on the victim of the abuse

Some examples include asking the victim if they're okay, accompanying them to their destination, or just sit with them for a while can also help.

# As an **ally**, how can I help the Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) community?

- <u>Listen</u> to what Asian Americans and/or Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) say, hear their stories, feelings, and opinions.
- <u>Get training and education</u>. Find resources through books, articles, films, etc., about the history and current issues they are facing.
- Welcome and challenge one's own discomfort & prejudice.
- <u>Get involved.</u> Join local groups fighting for social justice. Follow them on social media.
- Show support. Attend AAPI community events.
- <u>Take action</u> to create interpersonal, societal, and institutional change. Address it with government/law enforcement. Hate crimes are real to people of color, and the law needs to reflect their reality.
- Speak up. Speak out. Silence allows oppression to continue.
- Be present and bear witness when people of color are under attack.
- Help with data & reporting. Not all incidents are reported.
- <u>Stay engaged.</u> Racism and anti-Asian acts of violence are a
  public mental health problem. When the news cycle moves
  on, our efforts against racism and acts of violence
  must continue.
- Learn from your mistakes. Listen, apologize, and change your behavior moving forward.
- <u>Donate to support local AAPI organizations</u> that fight for communities.
- Support local AAPI businesses.

## MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES



- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
- **L** 1-800-273-TALK (8255) ask for language access
- https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org
- Crisis Text Line
- ☑ Text CONNECT to 741741
- www.crisistextline.org
- The South Asian Sexual & Mental Health Alliance (SASMHA)
- https://www.sasmha.org
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- **L** 1-800-662-HELP (4357) (National Helpline) Free, available 24/7, and confidential information in English and Spanish.
- https://www.samhsa.gov
- Asian Mental Health Collective
- https://www.asianmhc.org
- National Queer Asian Pacific Islander Alliance
- www.ngapia.org

## Resources

#### **CPACS**

www.cpacs.org/stopAAPlhate

Bystander Training www.ihollaback.org

### Learn more about AAPI history

History Channel - Asian American Milestones https://bit.ly/3Ac7x58

PBS Documentary - "Asian Americans" https://www.pbs.org/show/asian-americans/