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US Bank Branch Manager Joanna Ho Shares Bank Initiatives In Support of AAPI

By Chris Ventura

The Rosemead Report had an opportunity to speak to lead branch manager of the Rosemead US Bank branch, Joanna Ho—who also serves as Vice President of the Southern California Asian Heritage Business Resource Group (BRG) and is a new member to the Rosemead Chamber of Commerce. Ho shared with us her how she celebrates Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, her background, her work with the BRG, and her experience at US Bank—how the bank has shown its support both on a national and local level.

This coming August, Joanna Ho will celebrate 13 years of service with US Bank. She found her career in banking while attending Cal State Fullerton. Her degree is in Business Administration with a double emphasis in finance and entertainment and tourism management. She began her career as a part-time banker and has been the branch manager at the US Bank branch located inside our local Walmart for the past 6 years.

"I really took the time in the past 12 years to build myself as a leader and I've taken this time to find different avenues in ways to move myself up," Ho said. "US Bank has really provided a lot of development opportunities through mentorship. It's a huge corporation, so there's so many connections we can make in those different business lines, so I made an intentional effort to make sure that I put myself out there, and also I created a really big network of individuals that I can rely on."

She is knowledgeable in products and services available to both business clients and individuals and makes it a point to deepen her relationships with clients through support and education to help them reach their financial goals. She likens herself to not just a full-time branch manager, but also a full-time coach and leader for her bankers and peers.

Ho said she is very involved in the Asian Heritage Business Resource Group within US Bank—an internal group that US Bank has launched among 11 other Business Resource Groups the bank has founded in its efforts to provide support to various minority business owners. Her role with the Asian Heritage BRG began 6 years ago.

"I needed something in my path to drive more passion out of me," Ho said. "When this opportunity came up for me to join, I knew that I could blend in my passion for coaching, development, running the branch, being a branch manager, but now I can [also] tap into my Asian culture and make an impact for people outside of my environment and where I work. This platform through the Asian Heritage [BRG] really allowed me to work with people outside of where I'm at—we're able to connect with people virtually through the other areas within

the United States and really spread awareness about Asian culture and also empowering employees.

"This has been a really big passion of mine in being a part of this and it's really helped me in my career growth because it provides a lot of exposure to top leadership," Ho continued. "I'm really prideful of what I've been able to do with the BRG and working with amazing people really makes my job easier."

Ho said that after having switched to virtual programming, it has allowed for them to reach out to many more individuals across a wider area. Those on the calls have responded with immensely positive feedback, calling the learning opportunities impactful—learning many new things they have not been able to learn before.

"We did a three-part development series on LinkedIn presence, resume building, and also personal branding," Ho explained. "We try to curate these programs to help the development aspect of it for these employees. We hope that everyone has some type of take away from it."

Aside from internal programs, Ho has participated in external outreach to local businesses—one recent example being a small business featurette. For AAPI month, they featured three small businesses: Summer Rolls in Rosemead, Gourmet 88 in Burbank, and Wat Dong Moon Lek Noodle in Los Angeles. The featurette consisted of a 10-minute video featuring Q&A pertaining to their upbringing and a brief background on how they came to open their restaurant.

"Tony Lam is the owner of Summer Rolls—they started their business in 1999," Ho said. "He opened up the second location back in 2015, and one thing I want to highlight about his business is that during the pandemic they did not let anybody go. They kept all their employees and to this day, they've been open. They were only closed for two months and the great thing about his business there is he's really involved in Temple City and in the City of Rosemead and really well known to the community."

Gourmet 88's owner is from Hong Kong and the restaurant has been open at the same location for 30 years. Wat Dong Moon Lek Noodle's owners are from Thailand and they have successfully brought Thailand street food to the area. The restaurant is also known for its large chalk murals of celebrities drawn by the self-taught artist—the husband of the married couple who own the restaurant.

"We felt like it was really important to showcase our small business owners to the employees at US Bank for them to see what struggles they've gone through and also what we can do to help support the small business owners," Ho explained. "It was a really fun project because I got to sit down and get to know them and they were sharing with me, their

personal stories. I made really good connections with them."

Ho said she plans to revisit these businesses soon and do a follow-up on them.

She is proud of her heritage and takes the time to reflect and educate others during the month of May.

"I am very in tune with my culture, my background," Ho said. "I grew up here in Los Angeles—born and raised in LA, and my family...my parents actually emigrated from Vietnam here in the early 1980s soon after the Vietnam War had ended. They were refugees here and it is really important to me because I keep in touch with current news and what's been happening."

Ho is the first generation born here and recognizes some generation gaps that exist, but she said that she makes it a point to reach out to her friends and family and educate them in cultural news and current events—taking the time to steer them away from erroneous information that may come up on social media.

"I talk and share news, but I want to always make sure that I provide the facts," Ho said. "It's really important to me for AAPI because I feel like the Asian Americans here in the States... we have not received enough attention when it comes to the media, and I am just so happy that we now are getting the attention, but also it's kind of sad it's had to be this way. Because of all the Asian hate crime that's been happening, we now are seeing more coverage.

"How I celebrate [AAPI month] personally is that I use my platform through work and also through conversations with my friends and family," Ho concluded.

Joanna Ho explained that US Bank has an internal network where the company posts updates and news. The company intentionally added information on how to support the AAPI community to its homepage, how to join the BRG, and a portal to learn more about AAPI history. Ho also said that the bank created many training courses on inclusion through the DEI [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion] movement. There have also been podcasts about DEI with diversity officer Greg Cunningham and other US Bank leaders to teach and discuss these issues.

"That's just huge for me personally because I don't really know that many companies that really take the time to help develop their employees and also give them the opportunity to help out with the community and just give back," Ho said.

Ho continues to be impressed by the response time and effort from US Bank when it comes to a variety of social issues throughout the years including its immediate response to the death of George Floyd last year.

With her new membership with the Chamber, Joanna Ho hopes to further integrate herself and

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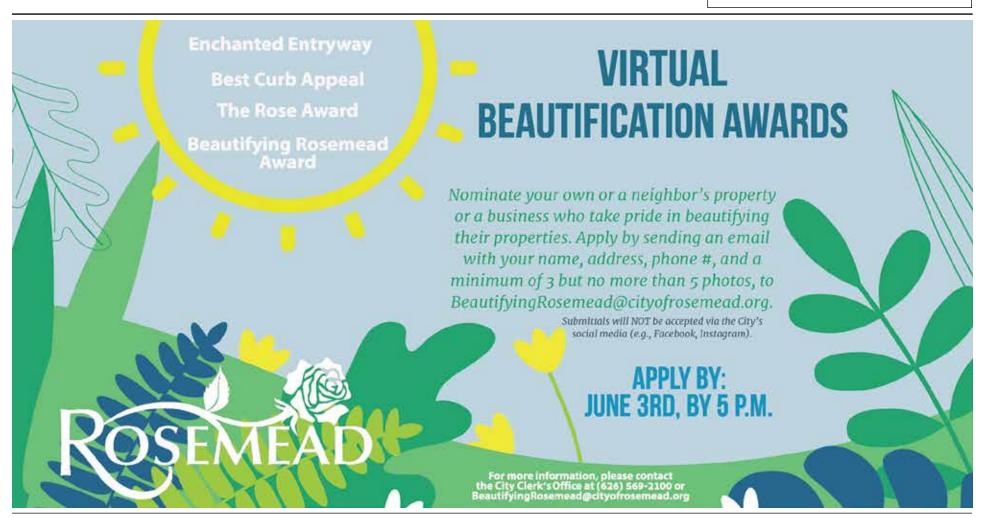
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Please submit your press releases, news articles, photos, and ad before the 15th of each month to be published the following month. Our staff has been working diligently to arrange earlier delivery of your monthly newspaper so it arrives at the beginning of the month. Therefore, we must have your information by the 15th of the preceding month to make it possible. Stories submitted must be in Microsoft Word or plain text format and photos in a JPEG format. Stories cannot exceed 400 words. If you have any questions, please call (626) 288-0811.

PUBLIC POLICY



Chu & Walorski Re-Introduce Bipartisan Bill to Expand **Coverage for Breast Cancer** Patients and Survivors

WASHINGTON — U.S. Representatives this bipartisan bill, and I hope we can pass it Judy Chu (CA-27) and Jackie Walorski (IN-2) today re-introduced legislation to ensure breast cancer patients and survivors who have experienced a mastectomy are able to access custom breast prosthetics under Medicare. The Breast Cancer Patient Equity Act would provide coverage for custom fabricated breast prostheses, the only human body part not currently covered by Medicare, to the more than 144,000 women who undergo mastectomies annually.

"Breast cancer survivors who have undergone a mastectomy deserve to have a full range of affordable reconstructive options," Rep. Chu said. "Currently, survivors must choose between two options: basic off-thecounter inserts or complete reconstruction. This bill would reduce the vast gulf between the current options by requiring Medicare to cover a third option: custom inserts. Custom inserts are meant for women who want breast prosthetics that are the appropriate size and skin color but choose not to undergo a complete reconstructive surgery, and this bill ensures feeling comfortable with yourself after surviving breast cancer is not just a privilege for the wealthy. There are many reasons a breast cancer patient may not elect for reconstructive surgery, and Medicare should not be limiting reasonable options that allow women to live normal lives after fighting cancer. I'm proud to have worked on

quickly so cancer survivors can finally have complete freedom of choice."

"Breast cancer patients and survivors should have access to the best care and the latest technology to help improve their quality of life," Rep. Walorski said. "However, while more than 144,000 women undergo mastectomies each year, Medicare does not provide coverage for custom breast prostheses. I'm grateful to work across the aisle with Congresswoman Chu to fix that. As we continue working toward a cure, this bipartisan bill would ensure women have access to innovating, life-changing technology."

Over 3.1 million women in the United States have a history of breast cancer, many of whom suffer from unreconstructed breast loss. In 2018, more than 260,000 women were diagnosed with invasive breast cancer, which can require surgical breast removal. Currently, Medicare covers reconstructive surgery for breast cancer patients and over-the-counter inserts, but not custom breast prosthetics for patients.

The Breast Cancer Patient Equity Act is currently endorsed by the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship, Susan B. Komen, Young Survival Coalition, Triple Negative Breast Cancer Foundation, Brem Foundation and Living Beyond Cancer.

CA Senate Public Safety Committee Passes Senator Susan Rubio Bill Lowering Barriers for Survivors Seeking Protection **Against Abusers** SACRAMENTO, CA - The State Senate terrifying time in their lives."

Public Safety Committee today passed a bill by Senator Susan Rubio (D-Baldwin Park) that will allow victims to file domestic violence restraining orders electronically as they seek protection from abusers.

Senate Bill 538 will strengthen protections for survivors of domestic violence by requiring California's Superior Courts to allow parties to electronically file Domestic Violence Restraining Orders and Gun Violence Restraining Orders. The bill will also allow parties and witnesses to appear remotely at the hearing on a petition.

"We should remove unnecessary barriers for domestic violence victims who already had to muster the courage to leave a dangerous situation, and SB 538 will lower the obstacles for survivors as they seek protections from accessible to the public," said San Diego their abusers," Senator Rubio said. "I want City Attorney Mara W. Elliott. "We have to thank the Senate Public Safety Committee for their support, my sponsor, the City of San Diego, as well as other stakeholders for working on this bill. We should be making it easier for victims, not harder, during a

"Over the last month, we have seen a tragic return to fatal mass shootings across this country," said San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria. "Although some of the tools, like restraining orders, to prevent acts of gun and domestic violence are already in place, many Californians simply cannot access these protections because of inflexible work hours, lack of child care, or fear of reliving past traumatic events. SB 538 expands that access to the courts by modernizing the way victims can navigate judicial proceedings remotely and electronically. We applaud Senator Rubio for her leadership to eliminate economic barriers to justice.'

'Restraining orders save lives, and California should ensure they are fully the technology to ensure victims can obtain restraining orders without risking further physical or emotional abuse, and we should use it. I'm proud to support Senator Rubio's SB 538 and urge its passage.

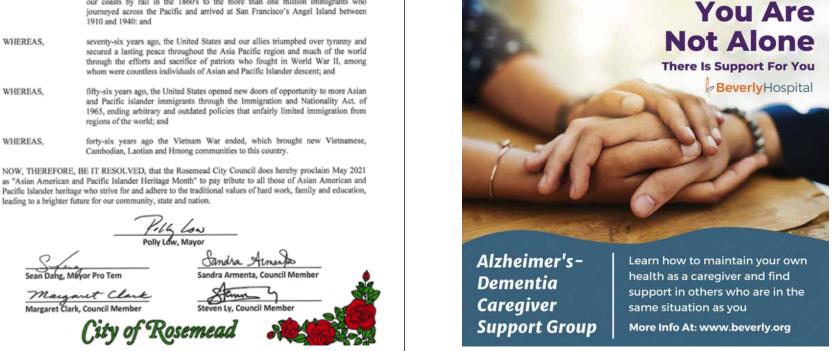


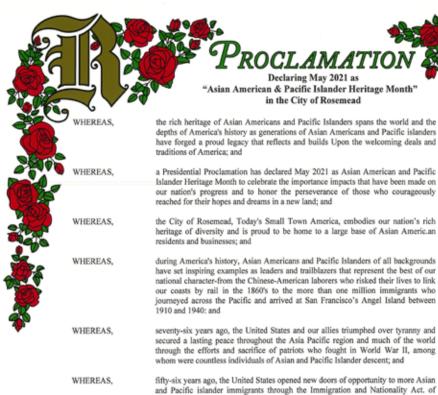
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Margaret Clark

Margaret Clark, Council Memb

WHEREAS,

1965, ending arbitrary and outdated policies that unfairly limited immigration from

forty-six years ago the Vietnam War ended, which brought new Vietnamese,

Cambodian, Laotian and Hmong communities to this country NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rosemead City Council does hereby proclaim May 2021

Folky Low Polly Low, Mayor

COMMUNITY











Earth Day in Rosemead

On April 24, Republic Services, the Rosemead Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Rosemead celebrated Earth Day and welcomed all Rosemead residents to a free community event! The Earth Day event gave Rosemead residents access to free compost, free paper shredding, free electronic waste recycling, and free bulk-item drop off. Residents were also provided for reusable steel straws, a gift to help resident lower their plastic straw usage. The free compost at the Earth Day event was a big hit, and no compost was left over after 3 hours. Many Rosemead residents are avid gardeners, and expressed joy and appreciation for the free compost! Republic Services will host these event semi-annual. Be on the lookout for an event in the Fall of 2021!





University of the West Graduation Ceremony-President's Message

Graduates, family and friends, Venerable graduation goals. Hui Dong, Dr. Sally Chou, distinguish community. This truly is a blessed day to have the ability to safely celebrate with our graduates together at our beautiful UWest campus. While the ongoing pandemic made it impossible for us to hold our commencement indoors and with our extended families and friends; we managed to have this ceremony outdoors, in person, in spirit, and via live stream with our graduates and their families in Asia all together.

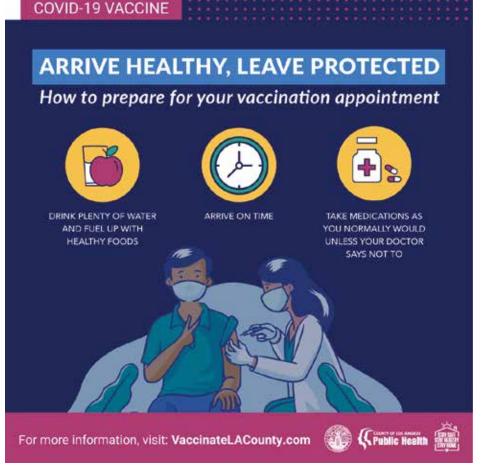
Honoring accomplishment is something we all look forward to! All members of the UWest community anticipate this celebration every year because this ceremony is the most important event of the year!

It is the day we celebrate our students, our dedicated faculty, committed staff members and the ever supportive parents and family members that have stood by our students through every step of their journey. Graduates, I would like you to give a round of applause to thank your parents, your family members, faculty and staff members who have supported you throughout this challenging journey!

When you started your educational journey at UWest, none of you anticipated the unbelievable challenges our country, our state, and our university would face during the last 14 months. Graduates, you have experienced so many disruptions and unknown changes in such a short time. You met these challenges with flexibility, determination and completed your course and program objectives. Each and everyone of you deserve a very special congratulations today for meeting your

The taste of life as my late Mother has put guest, faculty and members of the UWest it, includes sweet, salty, spicy, sour, and tart. Sometimes you only taste the sweetness but sometimes you have all five tastes all at once. It is up to us to maintain a particular taste or eliminate certain tastes. However, sometimes you cannot know how something tastes until you take your bite into the food. When you venture out of your comfort zone, and are forced to try new things, sometimes you acquire a taste you would never otherwise consider. Just remember, life is full of surprises but those experiences should make us stronger and wiser and more empathetic with others. One thing the global pandemic has taught us is that we are in a big family together. We must persevere through our compassion, love and care as a community.

The core purpose of University of the West is to instill in our students the values guided by Buddhist wisdom for the benefit of society. That has never been more important than in the last 14 months when we faced the global crisis of the Covid-19 pandemic. Only through collective and caring spirit/ action, we will overcome this pandemic. While our time together may have been short, the faculty, staff, and everyone else here at UWest hopes that we have helped you create a solid foundation for you to build your life upon. I want you to manifest your dreams with these core Buddhist values in mind. The University of the West has become your extended family and we hope you will keep in touch with us wherever you go! We are all here eagerly await to see your dreams become a reality. Again, congratulations!



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EMRAS is excited to announce the return of in-person classes for the Summer 2021 session while continuing to offer blended and distance learning classes. A personal computer, laptop or tablet/iPad and internet access are required for Blended, Distance Learning and some in-person classes.

The health and safety of our staff and students continues to be a priority. Safety guidelines and protocols from the California Health Department and LA County Department of Public Health will be followed in order to limit the transmission of Covid-19. We look forward to seeing you this summer.



Join the **Temple City** Chamber of Commerce & the **Rosemead** Chamber of Commerce



June 9th Networking Mixer

All members of Rosemead or Temple City Chambers are invited to join this FREE Networking Event on Zoom.

Each attendee will be given one minute to introduce themselves.

Bring your best elevator pitch!





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Message from the Superintendent

Greetings Rosemead Community,

At our May 6, 2021 Board meeting, our Trustees formally approved the following resolution to recognize the hard work of our dedicated and talented staff.

ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rosemead, California

RESOLUTION NO. 20-21/09 EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 10-14, 2021

WHEREAS, our Nation's children are its most important resource and the importance of their education remains unquestioned; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and parents of Rosemead entrust the district with the important responsibility of educating children; and

WHEREAS, the Rosemead School District employs approximately 379 certificated, classified, confidential and management staff in full-time and part-time positions; and

WHEREAS, all employees endeavor to mold and guide future citizens through patience, hard work, and positive example; and

WHEREAS, all employees are responsible to educate, empower, and inspire students to become the next generation of inventors, entrepreneurs, public officials, first responders, professionals, and service providers so that our community continues to grow and flourish; and

WHEREAS, all employees encounter students of widely differing backgrounds and support them all equitably, with compassion; and

WHEREAS, all employees continue to contribute to the well-being of our local community and the entire state; and

WHEREAS, all employees invest their time, energy, and countless hours to provide all students with quality programs and services that support their individual needs and educational goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees expresses its grateful appreciation to our dedicated staff, across all employee groups, for their contributions that support the education of youth in Rosemead; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees does hereby designated May 10 - 14, 2021, as Employee Appreciation Week; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District of Los Angeles County, at its regular meeting held on May 6, 2021.

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President, Board of Trustees

Throughout this tragic pandemic, it has been the tireless work of our staff that has provided rigorous learning. socio-emotional support, and a safe learning environment for our students. I hope you will join our district in thanking all educators for their passion and commitment.

Respectfully.

Alejandro Ruvalcaba Alejandro Ruvalcaba Superintendent of Schools







Classes begin August 2021

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ENROLLMENT - TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, KINDERGARTEN, AND 1^{ST} - 8^{TH} GRADE

Enrollment for our 2020-2021 school year has begun. We have implemented our online enrollment process for Transitional Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and 1st through 8th Grade enrollment. Please visit the District website at https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/Page/488 to find more information on enrollment and registration.

Preschool Program:

Call 626-312-2900, x235, to reach the Child Development/Preschool department.

Transitional Kindergarten through 8th Grade Program:

1) enroll online and 2) call the campuses. For more information visit our websites or call our campuses

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www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/shuey	www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/muscatel	www.rosemead.k12.ca.us

Questions:

Preschool enrollment & qualification: contact Mrs. Bella Galvan, (626) 312-2900 x235, bgalvan@rosemead.k12.ca.us TK-8th gr. & Transfer permits: contact Ms. Myrene Mangali, (626) 312-2900 x230, mmangali@rosemead.k12.ca.us

Important Upcoming Dates:

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	Event	Time / Location	Questions - Contact
Thurs.	May 6	Board of Trustees Regular Meeting	6:30 p.m. Closed Session	Superintendent's Office
			7:30 p.m. Open/Public Session	
Tues.	May 25	Board of Trustees Study Session Meeting (New date)	5:45 p.m. Open/Public Session	Superintendent's Office
Mon.	May 31	Memorial Day Holiday	No School - Schools/District Closed	School Main Offices
Tues.	Jun. 8	Minimum Day 7th-8th gr Students	See School Schedule	Muscatel Main Office
Wed.	Jun. 9	Minimum Day 7th-8th gr Students	See School Schedule	Muscatel Main Office
Thurs.	Jun. 10	Last Day of School Minimum Day TK-8th gr Students	See School Schedule	School Main Offices

2021 AAEDE Scholarship Opportunity

Who's Eligible?

- Must be a Graduating High School Senior
- Demonstrate financial need (to be eligible for financial aid, applicant must have submitted a FAFSA form by the March 2021 deadline.)
- Only U.S. Citizens are eligible to apply. (Please note, affiliates of AAEDE are not eligible to apply.)

There will be (3) awards of \$500 each and (3) awards of \$1000 each. A total of 6 scholarship awards will be offered.

Requirements:

- *Complete the AAEDE Scholarship application.
- *Please provide an essay (in 500 words or fewer).
- *Provide 1 Letter of Recommendation along with the recommendation form completed by the recommender
- Provide an official sealed copy of your high school transcript.
- Please include a copy of your FAFSA Report.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, June 30, 2021 @ 5:00 pm



Scholarship winners from 2019 shown

For more info, please contact AAEDE Scholarship Coordinator via: www.aaede.info • aaedeinfo@gmail.com • (626) 572-7021

All forms may be downloaded online from www.aaede.info



COMMERCE

Upper San Gabriel Valley MWD Water Education Grant Program Helps Fund Water-Wise Vegetable Garden

Plymouth Elementary School in partnership with Food ED break ground on its new water-wise vegetable garden.

Monrovia, CA — Dr. Anthony Fellow, board director for the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District), presented Dr. Greg Gero, principal of Plymouth Elementary School, with a \$1,000 grant for the school's water-wise vegetable garden. This grant is one of 22 water-related school projects awarded under the Upper District's Water Education Grant Program (WEGP).

Every year, WEGP provides funding of up to \$1,000 for educators to help implement water projects and programs into their classroom curriculum. Any K-12th grade school within Upper District's service area is eligible to apply for a grant. Projects must focus on water-related subjects that further students' understanding of environmental issues, water sustainability, and the vital role water plays within our region and State. This year the Board of Directors awarded over \$16,500 to help fund 22 classroom projects throughout the San Gabriel Valley.





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AYC AND OUR COMMUNUTY THANKS YOU FOR YOUR ACT OF KINDNESS



Decline-in-Value

If you believe that your property value warrants review due to a decline in market value, you may file an application for Decline-in-Value Review.

The 2021 Decline-in-Value filing period is July 2, 2021 through November 30, 2021. Applications will be available beginning on July 2, 2021.

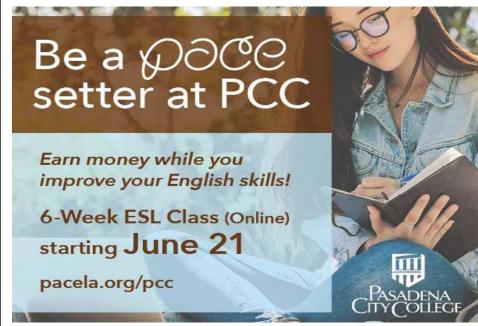
California's Proposition 13 established the base year value for property tax assessment. It also caps the growth of a property's assessed value at no more than two percent a year unless the market value of a property falls below the base year value.

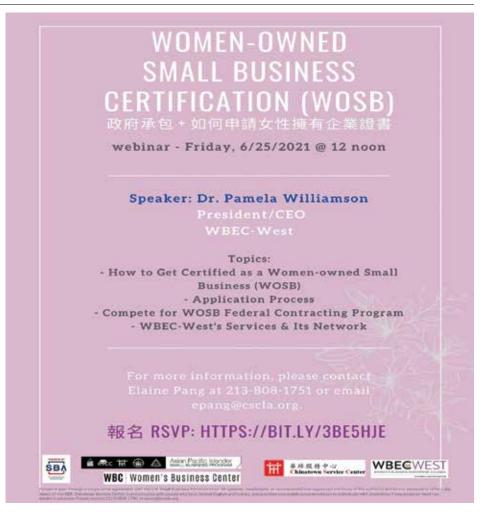
In 1978, California voters passed Proposition 8, a constitutional amendment that allows a temporary reduction in assessed value when a property suffers a "decline-in-value." A decline-in-value occurs when the current market value of your property is less than the current assessed value as of January 1.

Over the past several years, the Office of the Assessor has proactively reviewed hundreds of thousands of properties that may have declined in value due to the housing market downturn and the recession. In 2013, the Office the Assessor processed 365,000 Decline-in-Value reductions.

However, now that property values are rising, property owners that experienced a reduction in property taxes could see their property tax bill go up by more than two percent. Taxpayers are encouraged to review this website for more information about Decline-in-Value and how property value is assessed.

For more information, visit Assessor.lacounty.gov or call (213)974-3211





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strong connections. She explained that she wants collaborative event which showcases solidarity. to show that US Bank can be a resource for local business owners and to provide outreach for new the Asian Heritage BRGs have a weekly series. a business or as a means to effectively answer week series was held where the time was used general questions that would help to establish to share the history of AAPI. a relationship between the bank and potential new clients.

any of our competitors can provide," Ho said.

Asian Youth Center and as Ho explained, it's not the organization.

giving back, but actions are also a big part of giving back to the community. US Bank recently assisted with Meals on Wheels in the San Francisco area. Over a thousand meals were use of US Bank food trucks.

those recent and most impactful initiatives was America. US Bank's #StopAsianHate campaign which, displayed at all of its branches nationwide.

US Bank to talk about our story and allow the employees to have a voice for them to share Executive Leadership Council (ELC), Hispanic their story," Ho said. "It was just really amazing Association on Corporate Responsibility to hear our CEO take time to talk to us and to (HACR), National Organization on Disability hear the struggles of what the employees are (NOD) and Out & Equal as a Supporting going through. I just feel that they're allowing Company on a five-point COVID-19 response us to have our voices be heard and they're really Action Agenda to promote inclusion, raise taking the time to show the support."

The Courageous Conversation is an ongoing and give donations." that US Bank conducts with its Black

US Bank into the community and creating new, Heritage BRG and Asian BRG-a cross-cultural

Also throughout the month of AAPI, all of businesses that need information on how to start For the BRG in Southern California, a four

"Violence and xenophobia against Asian American and Asian Pacific Islander individuals "My hope for being more involved with cannot be tolerated," said U.S. Bank Chief the Chamber is to make US Bank brand more Diversity Officer Greg Cunningham in a press well-known and to let our customers (clients release from April. "In continued support to and business owners), know that we are a trusted the AAPI community, we are investing in bank and we are able to provide any service that organizations across the country to combat these biases and acts of violence. We stand with our Locally, US Bank made a donation to the AAPI employees, customers and communities."

Along with that statement, US Bank just a monetary contribution; the bank will be provided \$60,000 in grants to a variety of AAPI working with the Center to provide and drum-up organizations: Coalition of Asian American volunteers to assist at the center and will look Leaders (CAAL) (Minneapolis/St. Paul), Asian into creating and providing programming for Pacific Heritage Foundation (San Francisco, CA), Chinese Information Service Center Charitable donations are one aspect of (Seattle, WA), Center for Pan-Asian Community Services (Atlanta, GA), Pacific Arts Coalition (San Diego, CA), and Asian Youth Center (San Gabriel, CA).

One month earlier, US Bank took a stand distributed to the local community through the and pledged to do its part to #StopAsianHate creating a nationwide program of support and While US Bank gives back to the community, education at all branches in support of the AAPI it also gives back to its employees internally, community. They also increased their support showing support through initiatives produced by to Ascend—the largest, non-profit Pan-Asian its own cultural marketing department. One of organization for business professionals in North

According to the press release from US externally, provided posters to be prominently Bank: "The funding to Ascend went toward programming that educates professionals on "Andrew Cecere, our CEO...He has led bias, including the "model minority" myth. several Courageous Conversation calls within U.S. Bank had previously joined Ascend (#AscendTogether) with their partners, Catalyst, awareness, denounce bias, support communities





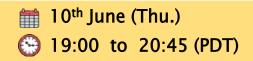


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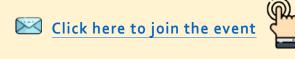






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10th June (Thu.) (Equation 19:00 to 20:45 (PDT)

Agenda	
Time	Programme
19:00-19:05	Opening Remarks: Michael Lin, President of Career Taiwan USA Association
19:05-19:15	Sharing— Contact Taiwan: Governmental Portal for Talent Recruiting Angelica Hao, Manager of TAITRA
19:15-19:30	Sharing— Taiwan Employment Gold Card: A New Career Development Passport for Global Talents Dr. Teresa Poon, Senior Advisor of CIER
19:30-19:45	Sharing— Information and Experiences Sharing on Startups Development in Taiwan Kuo, Yu-Min, Director-General of Department of Economic Development, Taoyuan City
19:45-20:00	Job Opportunities of Taiwan Companies

 Wistron ITS Corporation Q&A 20:00-20:10 **Job Opportunities of Taiwan Companies** Acer, ASUS, Realtek Company 20:10-20:40 (10 minutes for each) 20:40-20:45 Closing

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