

ALLIANCE & COALITION BUILDING

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Addressing Barriers & Building Bridges: Lotus Project Workshop



Who am I?



- Immigrant from Taiwan
- Working Class
- Alternative ed student
- Bi-lingual, Multicultural Family
- Past President, Asian American Psychological Association
- President, APA Div. 45
- Past committee member APA-SOGE
- APA Minority Fellowship Program
- Settler on unceded Ohlone lands
- Clinician, Activist, Advocate, Educator, Mentor, Collaborator



INTERTRIBAL FRIENDSHIP HOUSE

Oakland, Ca

Urban Rez Est. 1955



NATIVE AMERICAN HEALTH CENTER

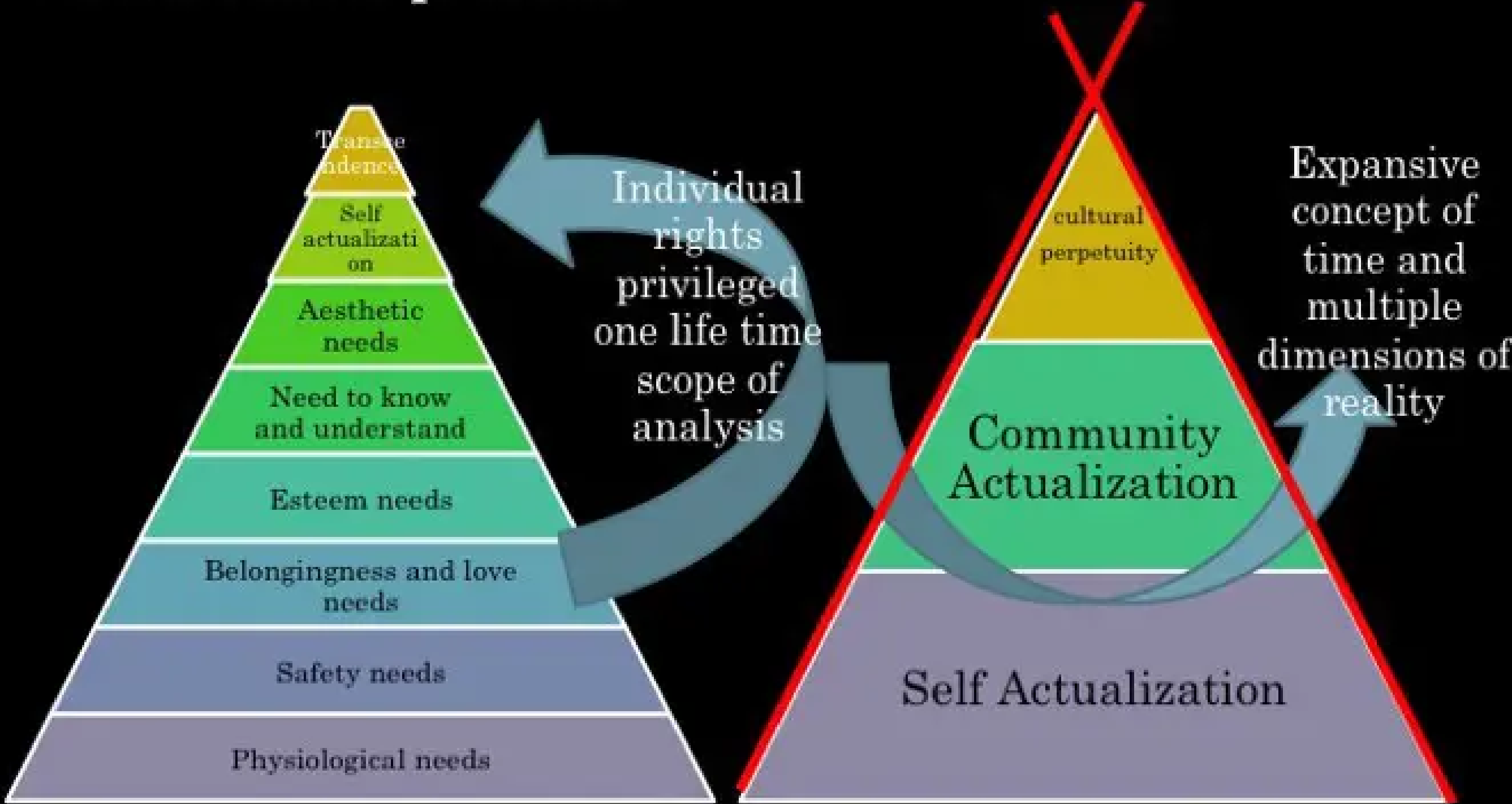
Serving the community since 1972

a california *health+* center

MASLOW'S HIERARCHY OF NEEDS (INFORMED BY BLACKFOOT NATION (ALTA))

Western Perspective

First Nations Perspective



Huitt, 2004; Blackstock, 2008; Wadsworth,



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we entrust that individual and
agency info is not shared without
permission.**

**Active Engagement: Stay Curious
and Participatory**

Be Here Now.

Take space, Make Space

Radical Respectful Candor



Who teaches us the values for
collaboration?

When have we seen it in practice?

Is it valued in our professions?

Dr. Julii Green and Dr. Sherry
Wang

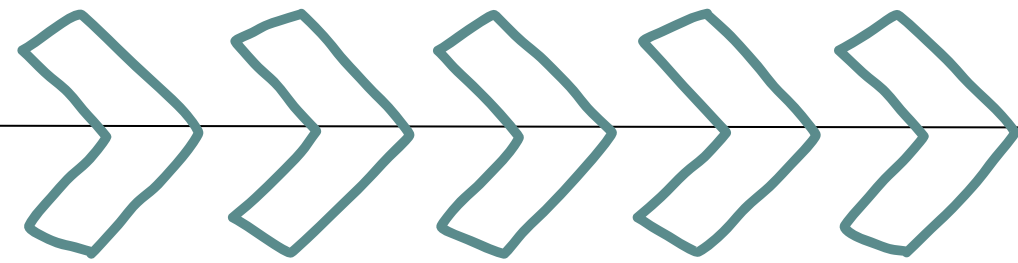
"While there can be highly-engaged intra-community conversations among separate East Asian, South Asian, Southeast Asian, West and Central Asian, and Pacific Islander / Pasifika communities, this dialogue rarely extends into commitments to fight and advocate for each other under a shared umbrella of solidarity."

--Lily Zheng





Racial triangulation

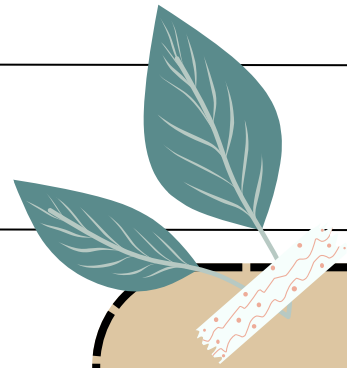


Asian Americans simultaneously perpetrate and suffer from racial triangulation

Are victims and perpetrators of anti-Asian racism and anti-Blackness

At the intersection of the Model Minority Myth and AntiBlackness: From Asian American Traimgulation to Recommendations for Solidairty- Wang & Santos (2023)

Project examples



Stanford Black Community Services Center and Asian American Activities Center co-sponsoring Mixed Heritage Group for Mental Health Awareness Month

CODAPAR Grant:
8 different APA Divisions co-creating a yearlong Policy-relevant research webinar series under leadership of SPSSI.



Asian American Psychological Association BLM rally,
2016 Denver CO

Alliance Meeting, Association of Black Psychologists
Convention



mental wellness
CONNECTED TO YOUR ROOTS

*Dr. Michelle
Johnson-Jennings*

*Indigenous Wellness
Research Institute*



*Dr. Nellie
Tran*

*Asian American
Psychological
Association*



*Dr. Theopia
Jackson*

*Association of
Black Psychologists*



*Dr. Fiorella
Chavez*

*National Latinx
Psychological Association*

Wednesday, August 11, 1pm EST / 10am PST



APA Minority Fellowship Program

**BIPOC Mental Health Month Project with Facebook and
Ethnic Psychology Associations, 2021**



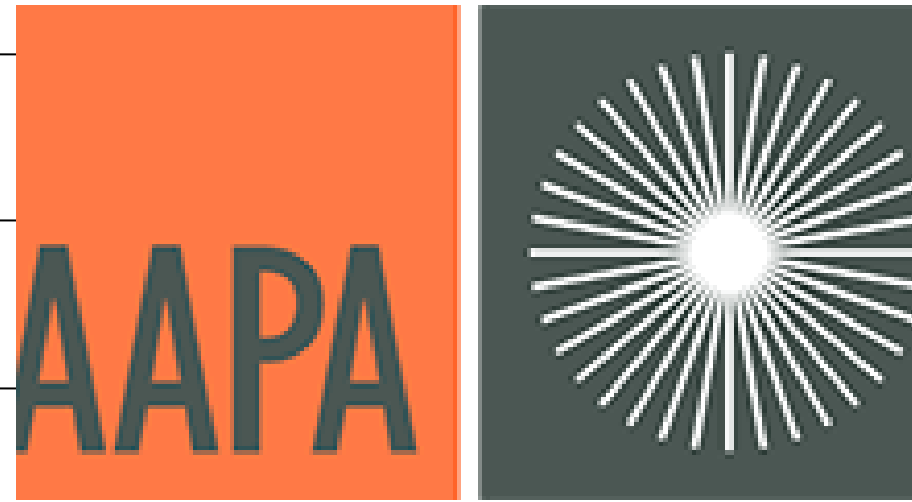
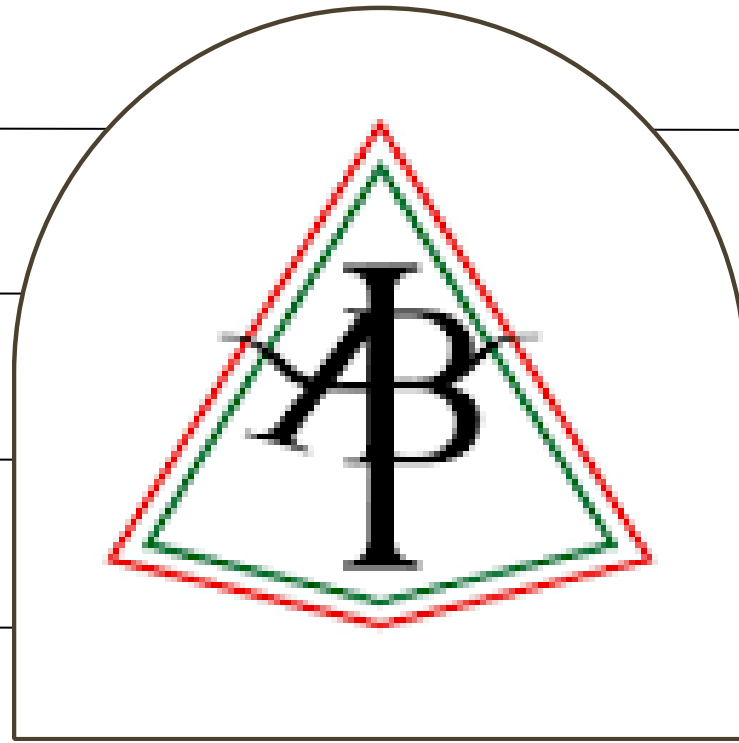
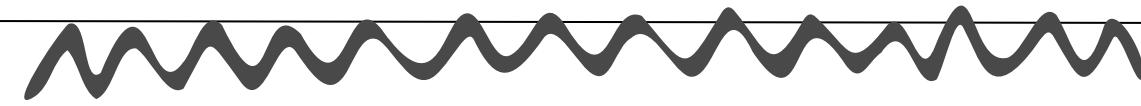
Are you an
accomplice not just
an ally?

“Too often we think the work of fighting oppression is just intellectual. The real work is personal, emotional, spiritual, and communal.”

— Dr. Bettina L. Love



The Coalition



Earning Trust



Repair Skills





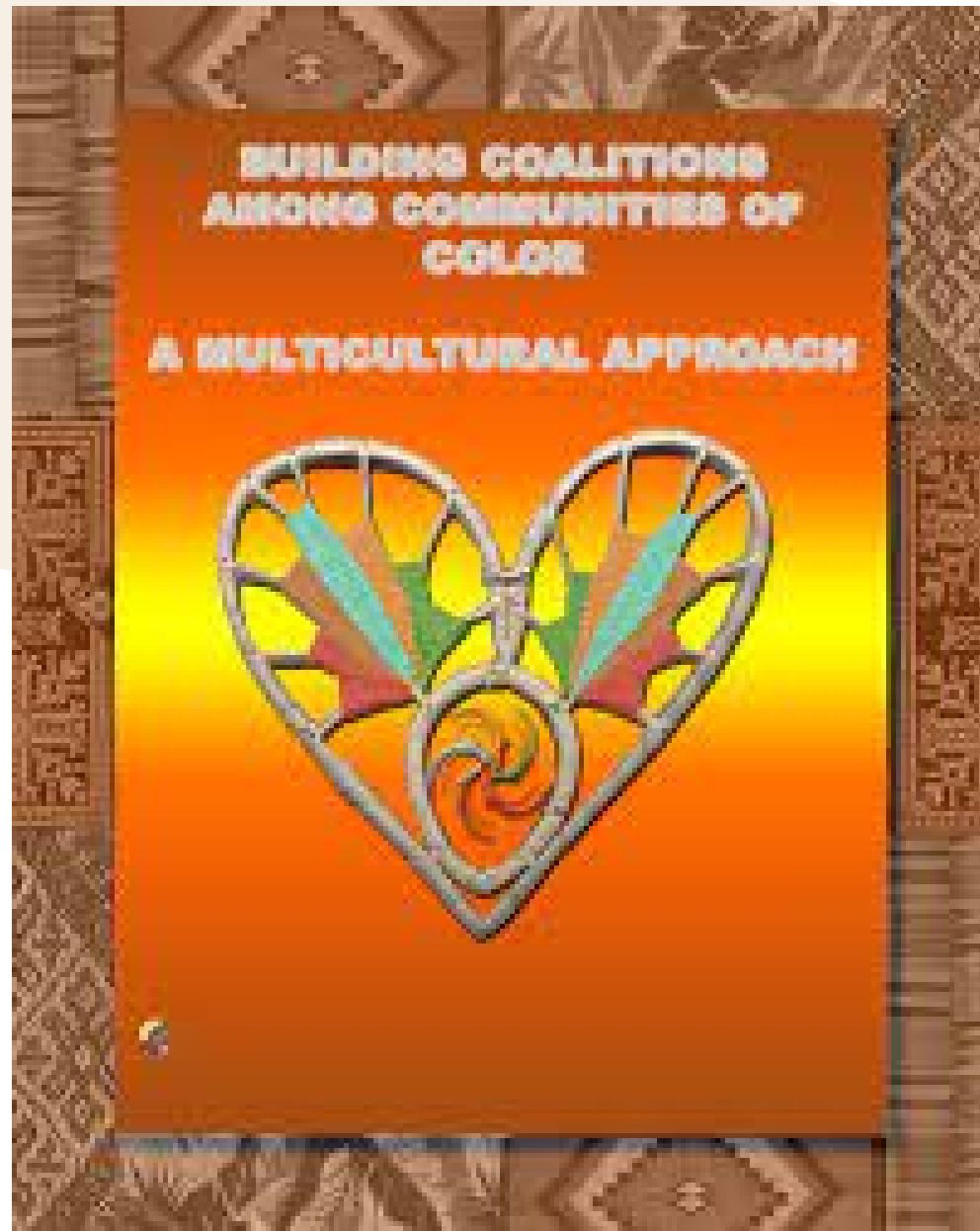
Process example

Meeting of leaders from the Council of National Psychological Association's for the Advancement of Ethnic Minority Interests prior to the Association of Black Psychologists' conference in Oakland. The Saybrook student rep, Anthony, plus Drs. Richelle Concepcion, Fred Millan, Tiffany Townsend, Y. Evie Garcia, Linda James Myers, & Huberta Jackson-Lowman. Not shown (but taking the photo), Dr. Alberto Figueroa-Garcia.



- CNPAAEMI to Alliance to Coalition
- Changing leadership
- Varying priorities
- Ongoing Projects
- History-keeping
- Harm and Repair
- Equity, Resource allocation

HHS Multicultural Coalitions Guide



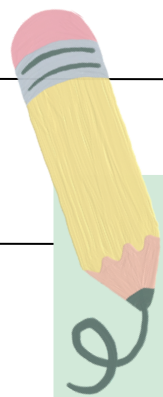
CREATE

CONNECT

COMMIT

CELEBRATE

Project example



CRDP	Action	Asks	Policies	Resources
CREATE	meet	workplan	contracts	grant
CONNECT	IRL	show up	presence	co create
COMMIT	repairs	align	support	share

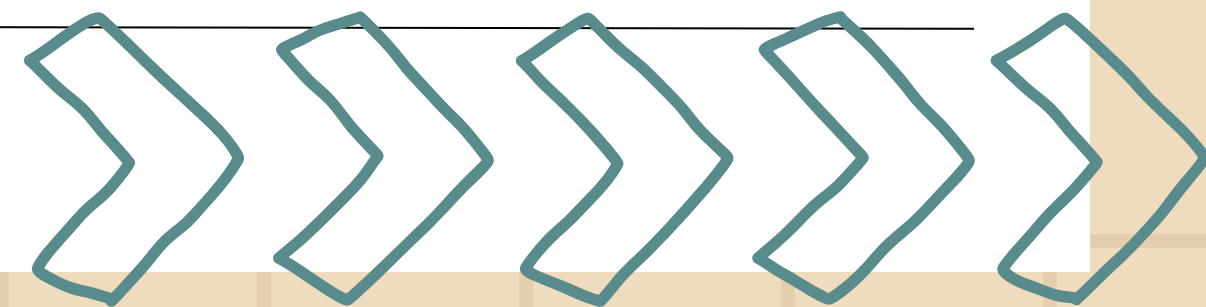
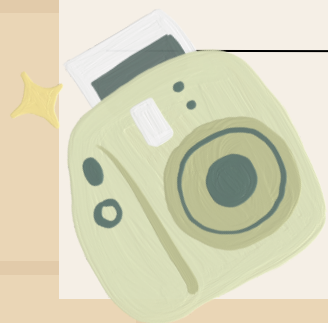
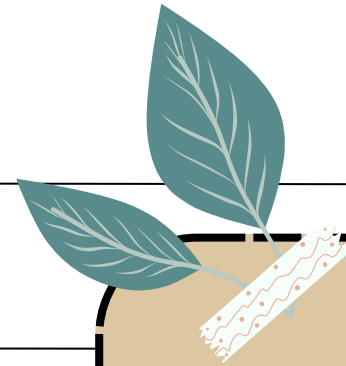


Table Share



Describe an experience you had that built trust or facilitated collaboration

Identify / describe an experience you had that co created repair and understanding

...or not!





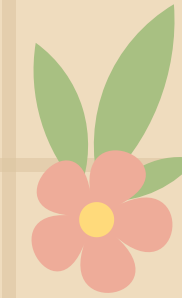
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Reflect/ Assess



What is your agency currently doing to build coalition & address impact of anti-Asian hate for your clients?

What do you and your organization need to improve your coalition building/maintenance?

What is an idea or projects of yours?

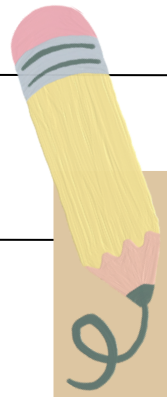


Let's examine either a current project underway, or one you are thinking or seeking.

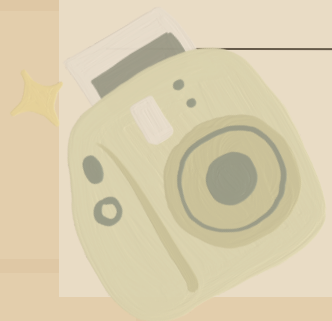
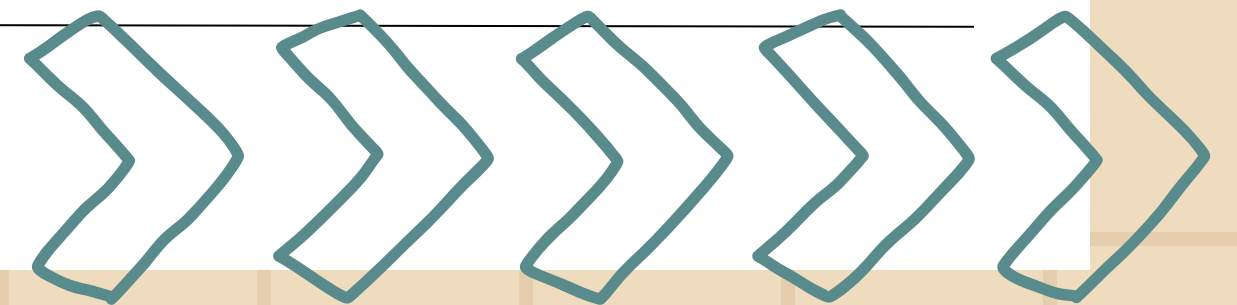
Briefly identify the actions, asks, policies and resources needed

Discuss at the table what you need to prepare to create, connect and commit in collaboration.

Grow Your Project

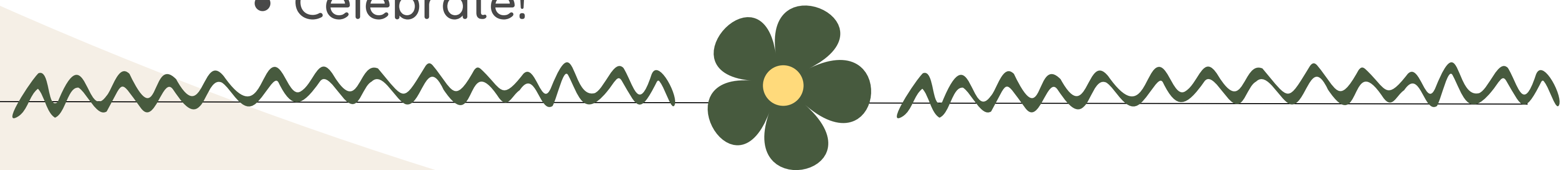
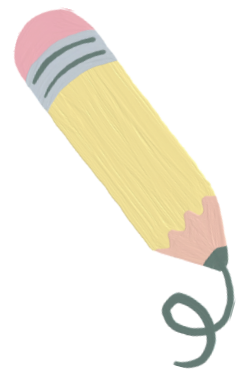


	Action	Asks	Policies	Resources
CREATE				
CONNECT				
COMMIT				



Pace Ourselves

- This is lifelong, generational work
- Humility and Generosity go a long way
- Think Strategically.
- Evaluations must include community
- Keep records, history
- disaggregated data
- Celebrate!





THANK YOU

