



YEDSpring2021 Leaders Summit

“Yolo United Against Hate”

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 - 4:30-6:00 PM

Register in advance for this Zoom meeting: [REGISTER HERE](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Purpose

This initiative comes at a time when the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community, among other marginalized communities, has experienced an increased trend of discrimination, xenophobia and racism since the spread of the coronavirus. Just as many Muslim Americans were subjected to Islamophobic acts of verbal and physical violence following 9/11 and in light of social justice protests including Black Lives Matter.

Violence toward the AAPI community occurs in cycles punctuated by dormancy. Since the onset of this pandemic, there's been a documented increase in the number of incidents involving racist slurs spawning anti-immigrant nativist bullying and, unfortunately, even unprovoked violent attacks. Racism, whether it is targeted at AAPIs or any other minority, doesn't start or stop at an election or a pandemic. During times of social, political, economic instability, our society has a history of marginalizing and blaming other groups for problems instead of coming together and looking for solutions together.

As local leaders we can stand against hate in solidarity with all our diverse communities that comprise Yolo. Any act of hate against a marginalized community is a trauma that harms us all.

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Introduction** **Oscar Villegas**, Yolo County Supervisor, District 1
- 2. Video Remarks** Congresswoman **Doris Matsui** and Senator **Richard Pan**
- 3. AAPI Historical Experience** **Robyn Rodriguez**, Professor, UC Davis Department of Asian American Studies and Founding Director of the Bulosan Center for Filipinx Studies
- 4. Personal Experiences** Panel of local speakers moderated by **Stephanie Lin**, KCRA Reporter
 - **Steve Hiromoto**, Retired Farmer/Community Activist
 - **Lisa Yep Salinas**, Community Advocate
 - **Jenny Tan**, Yolo County Public Information Officer
- 5. Group Discussion and Ideas** Breakout rooms facilitated by **Bernadette Austin**, Center for Regional Change, UC Davis
- 6. Feedback Panel and Next Steps** Panel moderated by **Daniel Kim**, Interim CAO, Yolo County
 - **Gloria Partida**, Mayor City of Davis & Co-Chair Phoenix Coalition
 - **Jackie Wong**, VP WUSD Board of Education
 - **Shelton Yip**, Former Trustee, Yolo County Office of Education
- 7. Closing** **Don Saylor**, Yolo County Supervisor, District 2

What are YED-Talks?

YED stands for Yolo, Education and Discovery and is a name play borrowing from the well-known TED-Talks. It's an evolution of the Yolo Leaders summits that have been organized with local school, city and county elected officials and executive staff for over 10 years to gather and learn about issues of common interest.

