



One APIA Nevada

State: Nevada

Core Constituency/Target Audience: Asian Pacific Islander Nevadans

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ABOUT

Nevada is home to over 389,000 Asian Pacific Islander Americans, comprising around 12.5% of the state's total population. One APIA Nevada is a 501(c)4 grassroots, non-profit organization advocating for policies empowering everyday Asian American, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander (AANHPI) Nevadans.

One APIA Nevada seeks to support and empower the APIA community, providing them the tools to exercise their voice through electoral organizing, voter education, and year-round base-building across Nevada. The AANHPI community is growing rapidly, accounting for 1 in 10 voters, and has the power and numbers to be the voice of change in Nevada.

STATE LEGISLATIVE WORK

One APIA Nevada coordinates the in-state electoral efforts of local and national organizations, engage in direct voter contact, and uplift the voices of the APIA community through issue advocacy and holding elected officials accountable.

During the legislative sessions, One APIA Nevada advocates for policy solutions that further the wellbeing and prosperity of the APIA community in Nevada, passing over 17 bills to date.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Since 2018, One APIA has focused their efforts on voter education and increasing voter turnout in the AAPI community. One APIA Nevada outreached in 14 languages during the 2022 election cycle, reaching over 420,000 households through direct mail, making over 509,000 voter calls, knocking on 73,000 doors, and sending 206,000 initial text messages. Through these efforts, One APIA Nevada got a record 7 APIA representatives reelected to the Nevada State Assembly.

ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE

Immigrant Support

Over 65% of voting-age AANHPIs are immigrants. These potential voters have unique and specific experiences that differ from other voter groups. The lack of access to in-language resources and strict immigration procedures make it difficult to navigate living in a new country. We are committed to assisting and expanding resources for our immigrant community throughout the immigration process.

Defending Democracy

The AANHPI community is diverse, and aggregated data and a belief that voter turnout is low often leave them out of the discussion when it comes to civic engagement. Misrepresentations of our community cause our community to be overlooked during elections. We aim to increase the representation and participation of our community civically and politically—demonstrating the true power of the fastest-growing group in the nation and Nevada.

Gender & Racial Equity

Nevada is the third most diverse state in the country. Our diversity is our strength, and we focus on ensuring that racial justice and gender equity are at the forefront of all policy discussions. We work in solidarity with our communities of color—progress cannot be made when any of us are left behind. We are committed to protecting and codifying reproductive justice, and gender equality in Nevada and are a part of the fight to pass the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

Access to Healthcare

9% of Nevadan AANHPIs lack health insurance. Despite qualifying for health insurance, these individuals are often unable to access it due to language barriers, cultural incompetency, and

immigration-based barriers. We believe that access to adequate and affordable healthcare, including reproductive care and gender-affirming care is a fundamental human right.

Access to Equitable Education

The opportunity for academic success and quality education should be accessible and affordable for all—at all levels. All students deserve access to affordable higher education and investment in public schools. Nevada has one of the highest numbers of student debt defaulters. We also support affirmative action, which works to correct the barriers that continue to block the paths of many individual Americans and ensures equal access to opportunities that will bring our nation closer to equity and equality.

Climate Justice

Over 75% of Asian Americans said they support setting stricter emission limits on power plants to address climate change—significantly higher than the U.S. average. Nevadans deserve access to clean drinking water and air. We know that poor air quality and climate episodes (such as wildfires and heat waves) disproportionately impact communities of color. We are focused on ensuring a comprehensive climate package focused on clean infrastructure and job investment.

Housing & Economic Justice

Nevada was one of the hardest-hit states during the pandemic, with many workers being furloughed indefinitely. These workers and other Nevadans also face steep housing cost increases, with both Reno and Las Vegas ranking among the hottest housing markets, with rents jumping more than 36% and 24%, respectively, between 2021 and 2022. We believe more needs to be done to address stagnant wages and higher costs of living and believe and have advocated for a higher minimum wage, paid family, and sick leave.

Youth Organizing

Youth civic engagement is crucial to empowering our democracy for future generations of AANHPIs. We organize events that break down intergenerational barriers between parents and children. At our Pokemon Go-themed Park Clean-Up events, high school and college students learn how to discuss climate justice with their family members while cleaning up the environment. We believe every event, from Baby Goats for our Votes to K-Pop Dance Party to the Polls, connects voters to issue and action-based advocacy to form a full circle of civic strength.





STATE BRIDGES SPEAKERS

Eric Jeng

Since 2018, Eric has spearheaded outreach efforts in Nevada focusing on educating, connecting, and empowering the Asian and Pacific Islander community. Previously, Eric was an executive assistant for a Washington, DC based private equity firm, and worked on various national and local political campaigns since 2013. Eric got his start as an intern for the Taiwanese Americans Citizens League and as a research fellow at the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, and worked for the Small Business Administration

(SBA) to advance President Obama's key policies. Eric attended National Taiwan University and graduated from the University of Wisconsin - Madison with a degree in political science.

IN THE NEWS

- [As ballots are counted in Nevada, working class voters could heavily sway House races](#)
- [In Nevada, Both Parties Court a Booming Vote Bloc: Asian Americans](#)
- [Harnessing the AAPI vote in Southern Nevada](#)
- [Nevada Democrats call for first spot in Primary Election calendar](#)
- [Nevada, South Carolina, Maine and North Dakota primaries](#)
- [Election Day updates: Laxalt wins Republican race for U.S. Senate, AP projects](#)
- [Nevada borrowers set sights on more student loan relief as end of pandemic pause nears](#)

STATE FAST FACTS

- **Current Control:** Divided Government (since 2023)
- **Gubernatorial Election:** 2026
- **Length of House Term:** 2 years
- **Length of Senate Term:** 4 years
- **Redistricting:** The Nevada State Legislature draws Congressional and state maps