COMMUNITY RESILIENCE: THRIVING IN THE FACE OF CLIMATE DISASTERS

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APEN CORE STRATEGIES
COMMUNITY BASED LEADERSHIP
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BUILDING POLITICAL POWER
STATEWIDE

MOBILIZING THE POWER
OF ASIAN AMERICAN VOTERS

WHY APEN?
APEN runs one of the largest multilingual Asian American voter mobilization programs in the nation.

Voter outreach in 7 different languages: Cantonese, Mandarin, Lao, Tagalog, English, Vietnamese, and Korean.

By 2025
1 in 5 Californians will be Asian American.

Asian American voters in California have doubled since 2008.

75% of voters we contact haven’t been contacted by mainstream political parties.

THIS ELECTION YEAR...
APEN will connect with 70,000 Asian American voters all across California.

Those we contact will be more likely to vote on Election Day and to vote progressive.

By email, phone, door-to-door canvassing, and our Asian American voter guide.
APEN CORE STRATEGIES
COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS IN STATE POLICY
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
Smoke from California's wildfires will harm people beyond the flames' reach

'Your eyes start itching': pollution soars in Houston after chemical industry leaks

Houston Flooding Always Hits Poor, Non-White Neighborhoods Hardest
THE CLIMATE GAP

Climate Disasters Have Unequal Impacts And Act as a Threat Multiplier
During California wildfires, farmworkers say they felt pressure to keep working or lose their jobs.

Amid Worst Winter Wildfires in California History, Farmworkers Are Laboring in Hazardous Air

As California Burns, Undocumented People Face Gap in Recovery Aid
$1 an Hour to Fight Largest Fire in CA History: Are Prison Firefighting Programs Slave Labor?
Homeless people search for shade during heat wave. City says not hot enough for cooling centers

‘Homeless again.’ California fires leave poor with bleak prospects
360,000 Californians have unsafe drinking water. Are you one of them?

California’s Drought Is So Bad That Thousands Are Living Without Running Water

A small town in California has sunk more than 2 feet in the past decade, and it could be part of a disturbing trend.
Recognizing this gap, what can we do to address these unique risks, protect those most impacted, and create opportunities to thrive?
COMMUNITY RESILIENCE
BUILDING RESILIENCE: CLEAN ENERGY

- Prioritize critical facilities e.g., schools, community centers
- Promotes resilience during power outages
THANK YOU!
Q&A
FOR MORE INFORMATION:

❖ APEN Mapping Resilience report: https://apen4ej.org/mapping-resilience/
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