

PROJECT: COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

Goal: Project: Community Well-Being is to provide a better quality of life for South Asian Americans (SAA) by addressing an issue experienced (or removing existing barrier) in public institutions/ organizations so that community members thrive in their lives.



South Asian Americans include community members living in Detroit area who are originally from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka

This community project is funded by W.K. Kellogg's Foundation and administered by Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum in San Francisco.

Project team: 5 Metro-Detroit organizations are working in collaboration on this new venture to make a difference in the SAA community. The Detroit collaborative members are:

- APIAVote Michigan (lead organization)
- Bangladeshi American Public Affairs Committee (BAPAC)
- Mai Family Services
- Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission
- South Asian American Voices for Impact (SAAVI)

Project duration: The planning phase of the project team will identify the possible program areas (through research and evidence gathering) and validate the findings. This phase will run from February 2013 – June 2013.

The implementation of the program area is expected to run from Summer 2013 to Fall 2014.

Community leaders/members involvement: To ensure the success of Project: Community Well-Being, we need participation from community leaders and members by in meetings at community events. Since the goal is to remove barriers that stand in the way of a community's well-being, feedback and involvement from the SAA community is vital.

Public institutions/agencies/departments involvement: To bring about institutional change, the project team will identify and work with specific organizations in metro-Detroit that serve the SAA community.



Next Steps: Please look out for invitation to participate in community round table discussions. Your registration and active involvement by providing feedback and validation on specific areas of implementation will be crucial to help the community.

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