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CPAF RECEIVES \$1 MILLION GIFT FROM THE YIELD GIVING OPEN CALL

LOS ANGELES, CA, March 19, 2024 – Today, MacKenzie Scott’s Yield Giving announced [Center for the Pacific Asian Family](#) (CPAF) as one of the Yield Giving Open Call’s awardees working with people and in places experiencing the greatest need in the United States. CPAF received \$1 million.

Established in 1978, Center for the Pacific Asian Family works to end domestic and sexual violence in Los Angeles-area Asian and Pacific Islander (Asian/PI) immigrant communities through linguistically accessible and culturally responsive crisis intervention, survivor empowerment, and prevention programs. From establishing the nation's first multi-lingual Asian/PI 24-hour helpline to opening the inaugural multi-cultural Asian/PI domestic violence emergency shelter, CPAF has been a pioneer in creating holistic and comprehensive services for Asians and Pacific Islanders. Since its founding, CPAF has steadily expanded its programs to equip survivors and their communities to end violence.

In March 2023, Yield Giving launched an Open Call for community-led, community-focused organizations whose explicit purpose is to enable individuals and families to achieve substantive improvement in their well-being through foundational resources.

“As an impassioned and dedicated advocate for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, particularly within the Asian Pacific Islander communities, I am deeply honored by this generous grant, which will further empower CPAF in our mission to foster healthy, safe, and thriving communities,” said Patima Komolomit, Executive Director of CPAF. “With this support, we can continue to innovate and enhance our culturally specific services, ensuring that survivors receive the holistic care they deserve.”

The Open Call received 6,353 applications and initially planned for 250 awards of \$1 million each. In the Fall of 2023, organizations top-rated by their peers advanced to a second round of review by an external Evaluation Panel recruited for experience relevant to this cause, and underwent a final round of due diligence. In light of the incredible work of these organizations, as judged by their peers and external panelists, the donor team decided to expand the awardee pool and the award amount.

“We are excited that our partnership with Yield Giving has resonated with so many organizations,” said Cecilia Conrad, CEO of Lever for Change. “In a world teeming with potential and talent, the Open Call has given us an opportunity to identify, uplift, and empower transformative organizations that often remain unseen.”

More information on the Yield Giving Open Call and other initiatives can be found at www.leverforchange.org.

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Center for the Pacific Asian Family

Since 1978, Center for the Pacific Asian Family (CPAF) has pioneered efforts to provide culturally responsive, linguistically accessible services to address domestic violence and sexual assault in the Greater Los Angeles Asian and Pacific Islander (Asian/PI) community. CPAF's vision is of an Asian/PI community that embraces healthy relationships and works in partnership with other communities to eradicate all forms of violence. Services are provided free of charge in 30 Asian/PI languages and include a 24-hour crisis helpline, emergency shelter, transitional housing, and a community center for walk-in crisis management and intervention services. Through its community programs, CPAF works with youth to promote healthy relationship skills, and facilitates nonviolent parenting groups to break the cycle of violence. To learn more about CPAF's impactful work or to seek assistance, visit www.nurturingchange.org or call the 24-hour multilingual crisis helpline at 1-800-339-3940. Follow @CPAForg on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [Linkedin](#), and join in nurturing change together, to build a brighter future for all.

Yield Giving

Established by MacKenzie Scott to share a financial fortune created through the effort of countless people, Yield Giving is named after a belief in adding value by giving up control. To date, Yield's network of staff and advisors has yielded over \$17,300,000,000 to 2,300 non-profit teams to use as they see fit for the benefit of others. To learn more, visit www.yieldgiving.com.

Lever for Change

[Lever for Change](http://www.leverforchange.org) connects donors with bold solutions to the world's biggest problems—including issues like racial inequity, gender inequity, lack of access to economic opportunity, and climate change. Using an inclusive, equitable model and due diligence process, Lever for Change creates customized challenges and other tailored funding opportunities. Top-ranked teams and challenge finalists become members of the [Bold Solutions Network](#)—a growing global network that helps secure additional funding, amplify members' impact, and accelerate social change. Founded in 2019 as a nonprofit affiliate of the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, Lever for Change has influenced over \$1.7 billion in grants to date and provided support to more than 145 organizations. To learn more, visit www.leverforchange.org.