

You can make a difference by serving your neighborhood, community and country.

HOW TO MAKE AN IMPACT

Get active and stay involved by checking out these sites:

- 1 . **Asian Pacific American Institute for Congressional Studies** www.apaics.org
- 2 . **Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics** www.leap.org
- 3 . **Call to Serve** www.calltoserve.org
- 4 . **USA Freedom Corp** www.freedomcorp.org
- 5 . **Youth Service America** www.ysa.org

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- National Congress of Vietnamese Americans
- Indochina Center, George Mason University

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- National Alliance of Vietnamese American Service Agencies
- Vietnamese American Communications Network
- Vietnamese Professionals Society

WHAT IS VAYLC?

A program of the National Congress of Vietnamese Americans, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, VAYLC aims to raise awareness of issues, provide skills necessary to participate in the solution process, and network interested persons with non-profit organizations. Our goal is to provide a forum for young professionals and students to network and build professional relationships to lead and strengthen the Vietnamese American and Asian Pacific American communities.

**Be a Leader & Register Today
for a 4 day conference, includes
a Gala Banquet & Dance!**

Professionals - \$65

Students - \$50

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NATIONAL CONGRESS OF VIETNAMESE AMERICANS



Vietnamese American
Youth Leadership
Conference 2004

*“Forming Leaders for the
Vietnamese American
Community”*

*George Mason University – Arlington Campus
June 30 – July 3, 2004
Washington, D.C.*

VIETNAMESE AMERICAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2004

*“Celebrating
Freedom”*

The Vietnamese American Community is growing in both population size and political clout. As the Community matures, it needs dynamic young people with leadership skills and the vision to lead. Young Vietnamese Americans will need to hone their talents by understanding the complex national and local issues that affect their communities, bridge the generation and cultural gaps, and effectively lead by example.

Recognizing the emergence of this young population and its impact on the political, economical, and social spectrums, the Vietnamese American Youth Leadership Conference (VAYLC) seeks to harness this energy by bringing young Vietnamese Americans and Asian Americans students and young professionals to Washington, D.C. for a conference from June 30-July 3, 2004.

OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Develop leadership skills for young Vietnamese American and Asian Pacific American (APA) students and young professionals.
- ❖ Provide a forum for young Asian Americans to discuss national and local issues and establish a network for young leaders to meet and exchange ideas.
- ❖ Promote Vietnamese American values, culture, and heritage.
- ❖ Prepare young professionals and students to become public leaders in their communities.

WORKSHOPS

- ❖ **Political Empowerment & Involvement:** Getting Involved
- ❖ **APA/Vietnamese-Americans in Technology & Science:** Making History
- ❖ **Community Service:** Making a Difference
- ❖ **Cool Careers:** Beyond the 9-5 Jobs
- ❖ **Funding Resources:** Show Me the Money

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- ❖ What is Leadership? Lead, follow or get out of the way - developing your skills to take charge.
- ❖ Communications: Are you clear in your speech and actions?
- ❖ Coalition & Team-Building: Organize with other groups to reach a common goal.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ 4th of July Fireworks Celebration
- ❖ White House Briefing & Tour
- ❖ Interact with elected and appointed officials and community leaders
- ❖ Meet and network with young professionals from across the country
- ❖ Visit Congress & other sites
- ❖ Gala Dinner & Dancing
- ❖ Learn more about the Vietnamese heritage and culture

*“Building Character,
Leadership, and
Service Goals”*

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