

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

HOW TO MAKE AN IMPACT

Get active and stay involved by visiting:

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- ❖ **Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics** www.leap.org
- ❖ **Call to Serve** www.calltoserve.org
- ❖ **USA Freedom Corp** www.freedomcorp.org
- ❖ **Service Learning** www.servicelearning.org
- ❖ **Youth Service America** www.ysa.org

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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, business and government 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.

**Join us for a 4-day Summit,
including Banquet & Dance!**
Register online at:
www.vaylc.org



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NATIONAL CONGRESS OF VIETNAMESE AMERICANS



*“Modern Day Trail
Blazers”*



*June 21 - 24, 2006
The George Washington University
Washington, D.C.*

“Building Character, Leadership and Service Goals”

The Vietnamese American Community is growing in both population size and political clout. From 1990 to 2000, the number of foreign-born Vietnamese increased 82%. 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, understand 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 American and Asian & Pacific American students and young professionals to Washington, D.C. for a summit.

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 Asian American values, culture, and heritage.

- ❖ Prepare young professionals and students to become public leaders in their communities.

WORKSHOPS

The following is a partial list of some workshops:

- ❖ **Political Empowerment & Involvement:** Getting Involved
- ❖ **Understanding Your Cultural Values:** Devise solutions to rectify stereotypes and misperceptions
- ❖ **Community Service:** Making a Difference
- ❖ **Cool Careers:** Beyond the 9-5 Jobs
- ❖ **How to Write a Grant!**
- ❖ **The Art of Networking:** Get things accomplished and help build a sense of community
- ❖ **21st Century Leader:** Be comfortable with your identity and operate effectively
- ❖ **Advocacy 101:** Basic Training for Young Advocates

SKILLS TRAINING

- ❖ 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: Work to reach a common goal.



HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Interact with elected and appointed officials and community leaders
- ❖ Meet and network with young professionals from across the country
- ❖ Develop skills to help you succeed
- ❖ Visit Congress & other sites
- ❖ White House Briefing & Tour
- ❖ Banquet Dinner & Dancing

Quotes from past participants

“I’ve become less timid and my leadership and communication have improved tremendously. All thanks to VAYLC”

“Using advocacy skills and resources to build and maintain relationships with my legislators”

“The friends you make and the networking that happens”

“I’m taking what I learned from the conference and applying it on the grassroots level”

“We came home feeling very optimistic”

“I am using the information I received at one of the workshop on Team Building to improve relations in my school’s Asian Club”