VIETNAMESE AMERICAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Registration Deadline: June 8, 2005

Join us for a 4-day Summit, including Banquet & Dance! \$50 Conference Only \$100 Conference and Housing

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 on June 22-25, 2005.

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

The following is a partial list of 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
- * 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
- * Funding Resources: Show Me the Money

BANQUET DINNER

On Friday, June 24, 2005 a multi-course Banquet Dinner will be held at:

Fortune Restaurant Seven Corners Plaza 6249 Arlington Boulevard, Falls Church, VA 22044, (703) 538-3333 6:30 pm Check-in / 7:30 pm Dinner

Keynote Speaker: Ms. Ngoan Le, Senior Program Officer, Chicago Community Trust, former appointee to

the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and Special Assistant to Mayor Daley of Chicago

During the dinner, the National Congress of Vietnamese Americans will recognize a community leader for his/her work in advancing the issues and promoting awareness of the Asian Pacific American community. There will be over 400 guests at this dinner. Guests will be entertained by cultural performers. Banquet dinner tickets for non-conference attendees are \$40 each.

For more information, email <u>rsvp@ncvaonline.org</u> or call (202) 691-6592.

VAYLC is funded by our generous donors and sponsors:

American Legacy Foundation, AnviCom, Bao Nha Magazine, Catholic University of America, Citibank, Eden Center, Inc., Federal Asian Pacific American Council, Freddie Mac, International Leadership Foundation, Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, Moonlight Group, National Alliance of Vietnamese American Service Agencies, National Marrow Donor Program®, Spectrum Knowledge, State Farm Insurance®, Vietnamese American Communication Network, Vietnamese Professionals Society - DC

(www.vavlc.org)

(www.ncvaonline.org)