



# Federal Asian Pacific American Council

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## Current and upcoming events:

- The annual Membership Appreciation Holiday Event is set for January 16, 2016
- Another Career Fair will be held with the Montgomery College in Rockville, MD in April
- Join us at our next Membership Meeting at the USDA HQ
- Jobs and pictures on FAPAC events are periodically posted on [www.fapac.org](http://www.fapac.org)

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## FAPAC News

WASHINGTON—FAPAC continues to carry out its mission with the launching of a career fair with the Washington Adventurist University in Takoma Park, MD. The November 19 event attracted a couple of hundred students, Asian Pacific American and other minority students. Almost 40 federal agencies set up booths and staff with recruiters to engaged the students interested in federal careers. Another career fair will be held on April 22, 2016 on the Rockville campus of the Montgomery College. With a bigger student body the event is expected to draw more attendees and especially Asian Pacific Americans due to the higher representation of AAPI in Montgomery County.

On Dec 2 FAPAC held its Congressional Seminar at the Gold Room in the Rayburn House Office Building with the support of the CAPAC (Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus) and United Solutions. Congresswoman Judy Chu, Chair CAPAC, delivered the keynote at the opening.

FAPAC is working with the Diversity Council at OPM on collaboration in continuing the Challenge Team Project, following earlier collaboration with the White House Initiatives on AAPI to get the pilot on sure footing. The Diversity Council is a new mechanism set up within OPM and includes most the major agencies across the federal government.

The Member Appreciation Holiday Event will be held on January 16 at the Fortune Restaurant in Falls Church, VA. Visit [www.fapac.org](http://www.fapac.org) for further information and sign up.



Attendees at the FAPAC-WAU Career Fair

## FAPAC Conference Planning Team Gets to Work

FAPAC will hold its 31st National Training Program on May 9-13, 2016 at the Doubletree In Orlando, FL. OPM and EEOC have agreed to offer in depth training for leadership and diversity during the NTP. Invitations have been sent to some of the recommended guest speakers or the plenary sessions. The web-site is open for registration with a simpler fee structure with some preliminary information. Announcement for the Military Meritorious Award and its Civilian Award are posted. Additional materials will be posted as information becomes available. The next planning meeting was held on December 12. A small team will visit Orlando in January to meet with community leaders and representatives from the Orlando Mayor's Office to coordinate the dissemination of information to the AAPI community in the Southern Florida area. Local media and student association representatives will be invited to the meeting.

The core element of the NTP, the workshops, is taking shape under the care of Marina Milton and Farook Sait. OPM has committed to offer an in-depth workshop on SES preparation tailored for FAPAC and a week long workshop on "Game Changers". An EEO Counselor training will be conducted by EEOC. Offering in-depth training at the 30th NTP proved very popular. Seats are limited and availability will be given on a first come first served basis. Members may wish to coordinate with their agencies to assure early registration approval so they can sign up for these courses. Visit [www.fapac.org](http://www.fapac.org) to register to save your place.

Several agencies have reserved free space for their pre-conference agency forum so they can provide agency specific training for their attendees. If your agency is interest contact [conference@fapac.org](mailto:conference@fapac.org) for details and space. Additional cost for any food or A/V equipment would be borne by the agency. FAPAC will provide the space free under our contract with the hotel.

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**FAPAC**  
 31st NATIONAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

May 9-13, 2016  
 DOUBLETREE BY HILTON  
 at the entrance to Universal Orlando, Florida  
 5780 Major Blvd, Orlando, FL 32819

**Special Offer:**  
 Career Fair open to public - over 30 agencies and companies

**Special Training Features:**

- EEO Counselor Refresher Training
- OPM AAPI Special Emphasis Program Manager Training
- AAPI Related Policy and Current Affairs

**General Training Topics:**

- Leadership
- Diversity Workforce
- AAPI Related Policy and Current Affairs

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## FAPAC Congressional Seminar 2015



### FAPAC Membership

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### Theme 2016 AAPI Heritage Month

**FAPAC is the only organization representing all AAPI in the federal government no matter what your grade is or whether you are in uniform or a civilian.**

FAPAC announced theme for the 2016 AAPI Heritage Month - *"Walk Together, Embrace Differences, Build Legacies"* that speaks to the plan of action to reflect the increasing influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in America. Embrace our differences and the multiplicity of colors in our community. Diversity and inclusiveness are our strengths.

To make sure we have a voice we have to exercise our power in the ballot box to support the candidates that speak to our issues. If you have not registered to vote act now. To learn more visit [APIAVote.org](http://APIAVote.org). Voter assistance is available in several Asian languages.

