



## **Asian Roundtable of Colorado**

Request for Proposal

April 15, 2019

### **Background**

In 1993, dedicated board members of the Asian Cultural Center, the Asian Chamber of Commerce and the Asian Pacific Development Center spearheaded the effort to form the Asian Roundtable of Colorado. Since then, over 50 Asian organizations have participated in the Roundtable's discussions.

The mission of the Asian Roundtable of Colorado (ARC) is to provide a collaborative forum for APIA communities to discuss and act upon issues of mutual concern. Its goals include promoting unity among APIA communities of Colorado, assisting to find solutions and to voice and act upon advocating these solutions, empower individuals of all the APIA communities to achieve their personal, economic and community goals, and to celebrate the culture and heritage of our APIA communities.

ARC is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization whose members are primarily Asian-Pacific community organizations and individuals. The leaders meet regularly to discuss and produce programming to support the interests and concerns of the Asian-Pacific communities of Colorado. The Roundtable does not seek to compete with other Asian organizations. It strives to reach across all Asian communities and fills the gap wherever is needed.

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Currently, a small group of ARC leaders are seeking leadership and programming solutions from the community to address how Colorado Asians can best fit into the present political, cultural and environmental landscape. We respectfully request proposals from organizations or individuals (the leader must be over 21) who might be interested in perpetuating the mission of ARC to suggest strategic long-term plans for ARC to reach its goals. The applicant selected would agree to incorporate the mission of ARC into its existing organizational programs or launch new programming to activate ARC from its present dormant state.

As part of this process, the proposal must include a short-term community project that demonstrates the applicant's ability to unite and lead Colorado Asians. This collaborative project should address a meaningful community need or concern, encourage participation across different Asian groups and deliver measurable outcomes. The completion timeline is the end of 2019. A budget of up to \$3,500 is available for this project, as well as the support and resources of the current leaders.

A written proposal must be submitted by email by May 15, 2019, and include:

1. Applicant's name, a contact person, address, email and phone.
2. A description of the organizational history for a group or an individual's personal/work history and resume.
3. A history of experiences the applicant has in relations to the specifics of this RFP.
4. A description of how you envision to continue the mission and goals of the ARC.
5. A description of the goals, delivery process, timeline and results of the proposed community engagement project.
6. Is the project a collaborative effort among different groups and/or different individuals?
7. An explanation of how this project can potentially be replicated to address other issues.
8. A complete budget for this project. Include any additional funds or in-kind services needed.

Please direct questions and submit a copy of the application by May 15, 2019 to:

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To empower Colorado Asian & Pacific Islander communities by providing a forum to discuss and act upon issues of mutual concern.

### Goals:

- \* To assist one another to find solutions, and to voice and act upon, concerns of AAPI communities
- \* To share resources
- \* To educate AAPI and the community at-large about our culture \*To value and recognize our cultural diversity
- \* To promote inclusiveness
- \* To promote unity
- \* To empower members of the Asian & Pacific Islander communities to achieve their personal, economic & community goals