2022

Heart of the Community

Dim Sum Breakfast

Friday, June 3, 2022
Welcome! After two years of pandemic, I am grateful that we can gather in-person again to celebrate ACDC’s 35th anniversary, and am excited to share with you our work over the past year.

As part of our anti-displacement efforts, ACDC purchased 64 – 68 Beach Street in Chinatown to preserve 14 residential units and the ground-floor commercial space occupied by a local restaurant. This marked the first occasion that a nonprofit has purchased occupied housing in Chinatown and exemplifies how ACDC has diversified its approach to affordable housing. We were also thrilled to acquire 213 Main Street in Malden earlier this year with the City of Malden’s help, and we expect to develop an all-affordable residential building. Additionally, ACDC received the designation as the developer for Parcel R-1 in Chinatown. The project will create approximately 110 affordable units, as well as space for a permanent Boston Public Library branch in Chinatown.

In March, the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Advancement (MOIA) honored the Asian Community Emergency Relief Fund (ACERF) at the “We Are Boston: 2022” event. Between 2020 and 2021, ACDC worked with Asian American Resource Workshop, Chinese Progressive Association, Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association of Lowell, Greater Boston Legal Services – Asian Outreach Unit, and VietAID to fundraise and distribute over $500,000 to families in need. This year, the collective hopes to distribute an additional $300,000 to assist low-income Asian families who continue to experience hardship due to the pandemic. We have expanded our partnerships to include Boston Chinatown Neighborhood Center (BCNC), Greater Malden Asian American Community Coalition (GMAACC), and groups in Lynn and Revere.

Lastly, ACDC’s creative placekeeping work seeks to center healing and restorative justice through storytelling and art. Through the process of working alongside artists to co-create meaningful place-based art projects, residents come to view themselves as community leaders, organizers, and change agents. Participants also form meaningful, cross-cultural, and intergenerational connections with their neighbors. Our inaugural Hudson Street Stoop installation, Storytell and Sway, brought together artist Gianna Stewart, writer Cynthia Yee, and Chinatown residents to create a set of vibrant bench swings, which are on display through October 2022. Hudson Street Stoop is located next to this building - I invite you to check it out in-person after the event!

In the last two years, I have seen how our community banded together to care for one another. I thank you for being our partners on this journey, and I hope you will continue to support our work in creating communities where our immigrant and Asian families feel they belong.

With hope and gratitude,

Angie Liou
Executive Director

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Welcome
Janet Wu  Anchor, WCVB-TV’s On the Record
Angie Liou  Executive Director, ACDC
Paul W. Lee  Board President, ACDC

Remarks from the Mayor
Michelle Wu  Mayor of the City of Boston

Awards

Inspiration Award
Project Restore Us
Dr. Marena Lin, Chef Irene Li, Chef Tracy Chang, and Lily Huang

Volunteer Appreciation Award
John Lian  Asian Community Emergency Relief Fund

Neil Y. Chin Community Service Award
Ashish K. Jha, MD, MPH

Closing
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Savory Items
Vegetable Spring Rolls V
Baked Honey Roast Pork Pastries
Steamed Shrimp Dumplings “Har Gao” GF
Steamed Pork and Shrimp Shu Mai
Prawn Stuffed Eggplant GF
Prawn Stuffed Tofu GF
Prawn Stuffed Pepper GF
Tossed Julienned Salad GF, V
(silvered five spice tofu, carrots, celery, woods ears & sesame vinagrette)
Beef and Yellow Chive Rice Noodle Crepes GF
(served with house made soy sauce on the side)
Steamed Chicken Buns
Chinese Fried Dough wrapped in Rice Noodle Crepe

Dessert
Osmanthus Flowers with Goji Berries agar gelatin V
Sesame Balls with red bean filling GF
Baked Egg Custard Tarts

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JANET WU, an Emmy winning political and investigative reporter, is co-host of WCVB’s “On The Record.” Janet previously served as WCVB’s NewsCenter 5 Massachusetts political reporter for over thirty years.

Janet has been a key member of WCVB’s political unit and received a prestigious Emmy at the 2015 Emmy® Awards presented by the National Academy of Televisions Arts and Sciences (NATAS) Boston/New England chapter.

Also in 2015, she received the ‘Inspiration Award’ from the Asian Community Development Corporation for her consummate work as a political reporter. Janet was awarded an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Emerson College at the 2011 commencement, and in 2010, she was inducted into the Massachusetts Broadcasters Hall of Fame. In addition, Janet was a member of the team at WCVB honored on multiple occasions with the coveted Walter Cronkite Award for Excellence in Political Journalism. Before coming to Channel 5, Janet was the State House reporter for WGBH-TV, Boston’s public television station.

Janet, a native of Bridgewater, NJ, received a bachelor’s degree from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. She is fluent in the Cantonese dialect of Chinese. Janet is married and has two children.
When the pandemic hit, **DR. MARENA LIN** needed a bag of flour, but her local grocery stores were all out. So she contacted her friend Chef **TRACY CHANG** (Owner/Chef, PAGU), who ordered a 50 lb bag from her supplier for delivery the next day. Together, they realized that this efficient and safe supply chain could be leveraged to help communities in need.

Marena and Tracy worked with **IRENE LI** (Owner/Chef, Mei Mei) and **LILY HUANG** (Director, Mass Jobs with Justice) to better understand the community’s need. The four envisioned a food distribution model that would keep their workers employed, their restaurants alive, and their community well-fed.

Starting May 4, 2020, Irene piloted the first weekly deliveries from Mei Mei Restaurant to 250 Latinx families in Everett, MA. Together, Mei Mei and PAGU delivered 50 tons of food in the first two months. By June, this collaboration became Project Restore Us.

Through two years of uncertainty, Project Restore Us (PRU) responded to call after call for help securing groceries for communities with limited access to high-quality and culturally appropriate foods. They continue to answer the calls to the best of their abilities within the continuously changing public health and economic landscape.

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JOHN LIAN is a postdoctoral fellow at Harvard University. He grew up in the Midwest, graduated from Amherst College, and earned his PhD from Harvard Medical School. During the COVID pandemic, John has been an advocate for improved science education and communication to combat discrimination against Chinese and Asian Americans.

In 2021, John volunteered his time with ACDC to support the collaborative Asian Community Emergency Relief Fund (ACERF), which provides direct financial assistance to working-class and immigrant households that experienced financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The ACERF collective was formed in 2020 with ACDC’s partners: Asian American Resource Workshop (AARW), Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association (CMAA) of Greater Lowell, Chinese Progressive Association (CPA), Greater Boston Legal Services – Asian Outreach Unit, and VietAID.

John coordinated with ACDC and our community partners and volunteers to distribute over $200,000 in aid to over 300 families, most of whom are ineligible for public benefits such as stimulus payments or unemployment benefits due to their immigration status. These funds helped households pay for necessities such as utility bills and groceries. Thank you, John, for your commitment to serving the community!
A practicing physician, **ASHISH K. JHA, MD, MPH**, was appointed as Coordinator of the COVID-19 Response by President Biden. In his former role, he served as dean of the School of Public Health at Brown University. He is recognized globally as an expert on pandemic preparedness and response as well as on domestic and global health policy. Jha has led groundbreaking research around Ebola and has been a trusted voice on the COVID-19 response, leading national and international analysis of key issues and advising state and federal policy makers.

He joined Brown in 2020 after leading the Harvard Global Health Institute and teaching at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Harvard Medical School.

Jha has published more than 250 original research publications in leading medical and health policy journals and is a frequent contributor to a range of public media. His research has focused primarily on the impact of public health policy on health outcomes and healthcare spending both domestically and globally.

Born in Pursaulia, Bihar, India, Jha moved to Toronto, Canada, in 1979 and to the United States in 1983. He received his M.D. from Harvard Medical School, and a Masters in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health. He has been a member of the National Academy of Medicine since 2013.
The Boston Foundation is honored to support the 2022 Heart of Community Dim Sum Breakfast! Congratulations to Project Restore Us and its visionary founders for receiving the 2022 Inspiration Award. Congratulations also to Awardees Dr. Ashish K. Jha and John Lian. All of you have helped the Asian American community and all of Greater Boston during these most challenging of times. And thanks to ACDC for your important work building, empowering and strengthening communities.

For more about the Boston Foundation, visit tbf.org.
ACDC is excited to launch our second Hudson Street Stoop Installation!

Located at
One Greenway Park
66 – 88 Hudson Street
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ACDC invites public artists to create a temporary public art piece on view from Spring 2023 to Fall 2024 (between 12 and 18 months).

Hudson Street Stoop or HSS is ACDC’s initiative to create revolving public art installations for an activated and inclusive Chinatown neighborhood “stoop”. We work alongside Chinatown residents and local artists to create art that reminds residents, especially our working-class and immigrant families, that they belong. You may find inspiration in the inaugural installation, Storytell & Sway, by Gianna Stewart pictured above.

Find our request for qualifications and learn how to apply: bit.ly/HSS_2022RFQ.

Application deadline is Monday, June 20, 2022.
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Congratulations to Inspiration Award honorees Dr. Marena Lin, Chef Irene Li, Chef Tracy Chang, and Lily Huang; Neil Chin Community Service Award honoree Dr. Ashish K. Jha; and Volunteer Appreciation Award honoree John Lian.
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