

General articles & videos about what's been happening:

[Quick Video Summary](#) of recent events (IG: @amandangocnguyen)

[KTVU Article](#) focusing on incidents in the Bay Area

[CBS News Article](#) about the increase in hate crimes against Asians (from July, but good context)

A few of the many victims/incidents (there are *many* more than those listed here):

We want to warn you that the videos/images are disturbing, so *please proceed with caution*.

[Vicha Ratanapakdee](#), an 84-year-old Thai man, was harshly shoved on the street in the Anza Vista neighborhood of SF (near the Target/City Center on Masonic Ave.). He was rushed to the hospital but soon died of his injuries. ([Full Video](#))

[Christian Hall](#), a 19-year-old Chinese American boy, was fatally shot by Pennsylvania State Police after they were called to assist him with a mental health crisis.

[Angelo Quinto](#), a 30-year-old Filipino man and former US Navy vet, died after an officer kneeled on his neck. The officer was supposed to help Quinto as he suffered from an episode of paranoia, but Quinto ended up dying of the injuries. This all took place inside Quinto's Antioch home, and both his mother and younger sister were present. (IG: [@ajthenurse](#))

[Noel Quintana](#), a 61-year-old Filipino man, had his face slashed at an NYC subway station.

[Subhakar Khadka](#), a Nepalese Uber driver, was coughed on and harassed by some passengers in San Francisco.

[A 64-year-old Vietnamese woman](#) was assaulted and robbed at a bank in San Jose.

[A 91-year-old man](#) was shoved on the street while walking in Oakland's Chinatown.

Also, many Asian businesses have experienced a significant spike in robberies over the past few weeks (for example, during the week leading up to LNY, there were [20+ reports of theft in Oakland Chinatown alone](#)).

Support your local Asian businesses:

[PBS Article](#) on how the pandemic has negatively impacted Asian restaurants and businesses
[Map of Bay Area Restaurant Recommendations](#) from the amazing student and faculty members of AAPI!

Huge thanks to **UHS SWEAR** for compiling the following organizations, petitions, and articles!

Organizations:

- [STOP AAPI HATE](#)

Stop AAPI Hate is an organization committed to tracking and responding to acts of race-based violence and discrimination against members of the AAPI community. If you are aware of/have experienced racially motivated discrimination or violence against a member of the AAPI community, please report the incident using the link above if you feel comfortable doing so.

- [#HATEISAVIRUS](#)

Hate Is A Virus is a nonprofit created to “amplify, educate and activate AAPI to stand for justice and equality in solidarity with other communities.” In the last year, they have raised over \$30k to aid “essential BIPOC community organizations across the nation.”

- [Compassion In Oakland](#)

- ABC 7 News: [Hundreds of people are volunteering to escort elderly Asian Americans to help keep them safe](#)

Launching this Saturday (2/20/21), *Compassion in Oakland* is an initiative organizing volunteers in the Bay Area to escort elderly Asian-American community-members as they walk the streets to ensure their safety and provide peace-of-mind.

Petitions:

- [Get Mainstream News Coverage Of National Elderly Asian American Assaults:](#)

This petition, organized by the Asian American Collective, is directed to CNN, MSNBC, FOX News, The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, The Atlantic, BuzzFeed, Axios, and Vice, imploring these outlets to amplify the voices of Asian American communities.

- [Provide Safety Ambassadors & prevent Hate Crimes on elderly in San Francisco Chinatown:](#)

This petition implores San Francisco’s elected officials and offices to create a Chinatown Community Benefits District and hire and train Safety Ambassadors to protect SF Chinatown’s residents from racially motivated attacks.

- [End Hate Crimes Against Asian Americans](#)

The petition requests: 1) that the NYPD and Brooklyn District Attorney designate and investigate the [recent attack against an 89-year-old woman in Brooklyn](#) (during which she was slapped and set on fire) as a hate crime; 2) that the Justice Department (City, State, and Federal) provide “sufficient resources to address the rise in hate crimes; 3) that the “Executive Branches and respective legislatures continue to take on and pass

legislation to protect all communities against hate crimes, including the Asian American community.”

- [Change.org Petition: Justice for Vicha Ratanapakdee](#)
- [Linktree: Justice for Christian Hall](#)
- [Justice for Angelo Quinto](#)

Articles and Radio Segments:

- ***Forum on KQED:*** [Brutal Attacks Against Bay Area Asian Americans Spur Calls for Action Statewide](#)

This episode of *Forum* on KQED delves into the surge in anti-Asian attacks during the pandemic. Please note that some of the guests of this segment share their personal experiences with anti-Asian racism which are disturbing.

- ***A summary of events and responses:***

- [The New York Times: A Tense Lunar New Year for the Bay Area After Attacks on Asian-Americans](#)
- [‘We’re being scapegoated’: Asians and Asian Americans speak out against spate of violence](#)

- ***Acknowledging an Awful Precedence:***

- [How Asian-American Leaders Are Grappling With Xenophobia Amid Coronavirus](#) (March 2020)
- [Anti-Asian Racism Isn’t New](#)

We want to recognize that anti-Asian hate is *not* a new phenomenon--it has been an issue throughout our nation’s history that has been exacerbated by Donald Trump’s inflammatory rhetoric since the beginning of the pandemic. The recent reports of hate crimes against Asian American communities serve as a powerful reminder of the importance of listening to our community members and acknowledging their experiences not just now but always.

- ***On the Importance of Advocacy:*** [Silence is consent to anti-Asian racism in California and around the world](#)
- ***On Preventing the Perpetuation of Anti-Blackness***
 - [Phillips: Our Asian neighbors are suffering. We need to listen to them](#)

When tackling hate against one community, it is important to ensure that we do not vilify another. As many news outlets and articles have

reported, many of the recent viral videos of the hate-crimes against Asian-Americans feature Black perpetrators. This does not in any way justify anti-Blackness. The actions of these few individuals are not indicative of the sentiment of the Black community at large and it is imperative that as readers of these news articles, we do not internalize and perpetuate anti-Blackness. This article written by San Francisco Chronicle Columnist [Justin Phillips](#) discusses the “slippery slope” of anti-Blackness and emphasizes the importance of listening and legitimizing one another's experiences.

- ***The Current Administration’s Agenda to Combat Anti-Asian Hate:***
 - [Joe Biden's Agenda for the Asian American & Pacific Islander Community](#)

More info on Lunar New Year:

Check out [this cool graphic](#) that summarizes Lunar New Year (made by Sarah Cheung ‘21)!
[Lunar New Year: Rituals and Legends](#)
[What is a Lunar New Year Festival?](#)

Also, if you’re interested, here are even more resources about anti-Asian sentiment from our all-school email last May. Because this was written back then, it only includes attacks on Asian Americans from March to late April, so there have been *many* more since then. We included this to remind people what many Asian Americans have gone through over the past year of the pandemic.

Once again, we want to warn you that these may be emotionally tolling to read or watch.

Some articles that talk about the overall trend happening:

[New York Times Op-Ed: "The Slur I Never Expected to Hear"](#)

[NPR: "When Xenophobia Spreads like a Virus"](#)

[Spit On, Yelled At, Attacked: Chinese-Americans Fear for Their Safety](#)

[Wikipedia’s list of attacks globally \(this is crowd-sourced, so obviously might not be complete/current\)](#)

[Race and Coronavirus: San Francisco Bay Area residents share their stories of hate and new solutions](#)

Some of the many specific incidents:

[Student from Singapore insulted and beaten up in London \(February 24\)](#)

[Man dumps acid on an Asian woman in Brooklyn \(March 29\)](#)

[Asian-American Family, including 2 young children, stabbed at a Sam's Club in Texas \(March 14\)](#)

[Survey of COVID-19 racism against Asian-Australians records 178 incidents in two weeks \(April 17\)](#)

[Bullies attack Asian high school student and accuse him of having Coronavirus \(February 14\)](#)

[92-year-old Asian man attacked & targeted with a Coronavirus slur in Canada \(March 13\)](#)

[Racist graffiti sprayed on Chinese-Australian family's home in Melbourne \(April 21\)](#)

And just a few that have happened in the Bay Area:

[Amanda Law verbally assaulted on Great Highway while walking her dogs, was told to “Go back to where \[she\] came from” and to “stay in f***ing Asia” \(April 20\)](#)

[Yuanyuan Zhu verbally attacked and spat on while walking to her gym in SF \(March 9\)](#)

[Elderly Asian man attacked while collecting cans near Hunter's Point \(March 24\)](#)

In addition, we asked UHS students to share their own stories with us. Two who were comfortable with sharing anonymously are quoted below, although we have heard from many students who have experienced similar hostility:

“My brother was in a store when a group of middle school girls ran into him. One of them looked at him and screamed, ‘Oh no! I'm gonna get corona now!’”

“My mom's close friend, who's Chinese, was kicked out of a coffee shop because she wasn't wearing a mask. This was way before the Coronavirus was in the US.”