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May 8, 2026

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
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The Honorable Robert Rivas
Speaker of the Assembly
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Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Monique Limón
Senate President pro Tempore
1021 O Street, Suite 8518
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RE: Support for a $100 Million FY2026-2029 Investment in the Stop the Hate Program

Dear Governor Newsom, Speaker Rivas, and Senate President pro Tempore Limón,

On behalf of the undersigned organizations and community leaders, we are writing to respectfully request the reauthorization of the Stop the Hate grant program, which statutorily expires June 30, 2026, to include $100 million in funding over three years from FY2026-2029.

No Californian should be afraid to leave their homes because they expect to be physically and verbally assaulted when they go outside. Today, Californians are experiencing an onslaught of anti-immigrant attacks, xenophobia, anti-religious hate, racial scapegoating, LGBTQ discrimination, and more. According to the California Health Interview Survey (CHIS), 1 in 11 Californians directly experienced hate in 2024, an estimated 3.1 million Californians. One study estimated that the annual cost of hate crimes nationally is $3.4 billion.

In 2021, the historic $165.5 million API Equity Budget brought much-needed relief to communities impacted by hate—including a four year, $140 million investment in the Stop the hate program. This funding created a social safety net of 180 trusted community-based organizations to help impacted Californians, including Asian, Black, Indigenous, Latinx, LGBTQ+, Pacific Islander communities, and people with disabilities heal from hate-based violence and return to work, school, and their communities. Community organizations across the state have utilized these funds to resource direct services for survivors, advance violence prevention efforts, and build systems change solutions to prevent hate violence. This investment is one of the most significant government actions taken to address hate and its impact has helped millions of Californians receive the support they need to feel safe again in their own bodies and communities.

In the first two years, this investment enabled nearly two million Californians to receive direct, intervention or prevention services. Over 100,000 survivors received counseling, mental health services, and referrals to legal services. Our social safety net also provided emergency financial aid, food deliveries, support groups, transportation for seniors, and more. We know these services were effective because the people and communities we served through this program were able to return to work, to school, and to their communities.

Federal threats are heightening the urgency around our ability to respond to hate, especially in our immigrant communities and communities of color. Governor Newsom highlighted our work stating: “While the federal government tries to build division among neighbors and communities...[i]n California, we’re not afraid to speak up and speak out for each other. From millions in public safety funding to nation-leading programs like CA vs Hate, we’ll keep doing the work to make sure every Californian feels welcome and safe in our state.”

But this critical work cannot be sustained without the Legislature’s and Governor’s continued support. People are still not safe. Californians are still afraid to leave their homes fearing they will be targeted because of how they look. Between 2024 to 2025, California anti-Latino hate increased by 14.8%, anti-Muslim hate increased by 28%, and anti-Sikh hate increased by 150% – and those numbers are only reported incidents. The Stop the Hate social safety net that California has built is ready to meet this moment but is at risk of crumbling if its funding is not reauthorized next year.

The UCLA Center for Health Policy Research found that Californians from communities who have historically been targeted by hate violence are not only disproportionately impacted, but are also more likely to report 1) their needs have been unmet and that 2) there must be sustained support for survivors that are tailored to the communities they belong to. In response to these findings, they named Stop the Hate as a “critical funding mechanism that supports local organizations in implementing anti-hate interventions and providing support services to victims.”

We, the undersigned organizations and community leaders, stand ready to partner with you to ensure that the Legislature and Governor understand that their investment in this social safety net and community transformation program is not just worthy in reinvestment, but can continue to transform the lives of survivors of hate violence and the communities they live in.

Respectfully,

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Chinese for Affirmative Action
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Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)
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Community Interventions
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Filipino Community of Sacramento and Vicinity
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InnerCity Struggle
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Korean Community Services (Orange County)
Koreatown Youth and Community Center (KYCC)
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Latino Equality Alliance
Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP)
Little Manila Rising
Little Saigon San Diego
Little Tokyo Service Center
Los Angeles LGBT Center
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North County LGBTQ Resource Center
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Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment
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