

Dear Friends:

As you know I **had retreated** to the 2nd line regarding 80-20 Political Action Comm. A PAC is NOT tax exempt, but may help elect or UN-elect any politician. Hence, a PAC is a **MUST-political-weapon** for us to defend ourselves.

I'll **still lead** 80-20 Educational Foundation (**EF**), a tax exempt organization engaged in political education. With your help, I'll issue a monthly EF e-newsletter to discuss the **BIG PICTURE** faced by our community -- topics so **BIG & COMPLEX** that we don't normally have the time/courage/experience and knowledge to tackle. **But tackle we must, because they are the CONTROLLING elements of our destiny.**

EF has a **poster-board enabling dialogues!!!** You may critique, comment, & start your own discussion via the poster-board. To see the poster-board, click on <http://www.80-20educationalfoundation.org/politicaledu/posterboard.asp>

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The Topics We'll Examine Together

o What is more important to Asian Ams politically today? Why?

- a) More elected Asian Americans (Governors, Senators & Representatives)?
- b) More high-ranking appointed officials e.g cabinet members?
- c) More national civic organizations like JAACL (Japanese Am. Citizens' League), NFIA (Nat'l Federation of Indian Ams) & OCA (Organization of Chinese Ams)?
- d) More Political Action Committees (e.g 80-20 PAC, CAPA)?

In short, will AsAms ever become politically strong, if we don't know how to INVEST politically?

o How to apply our political knowledge to help Asian Am youngsters even the playing field in their college applications, and secure justice in the tragic death of Danny Chen?

o Why are our politicians always bashing Asian countries (first Japan, now China and possibly next India), especially during election time? Why are politicians so accommodating to Israel but so harsh on Asian nations (Japan in the 1980s; China & Pakistan now) during election times?

In short, does such bashing help or hurt our struggle to be equal citizens of the USA?

o **Why aren't the rich and powerful Asian Americans helping** out their own community's struggle to be equal citizens of America?

In short, those who are in the best positions to help their own folks sit on the side line. Is that a shame on them, or us or on us ALL?

o The extreme injustice in Vincent Chin's case was partially helped along by AsAms -- a mistake rarely publicized and discussed. **Should that be a lesson to us in Danny Chen's case?** Are we making a mistake in Danny Chen's case even today?

In short, should we do frank self-examination and seek immediately remedy?

Tune in to this space. We discuss essential topics that others don't dare to touch