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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Dear Friends,

I am pleased to present to you the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs' 2008-2009 Annual Report, detailing the accomplishments of our Commission members and staff, as well as our goals for the future.

Thanks in large part to the partnership and hard work of the Commission, the O'Malley-Brown Administration has made important progress on behalf of the Asian Pacific American community. Together, we expanded opportunities by increasing State awards to Asian American-owned firms through the Minority Business Enterprise Program. We have appointed almost 100 Asian Pacific American individuals to 62 boards and commissions. We have also established the Maryland Council for New Americans to recommend new policies and practices in order to better integrate our newest Marylanders. And even in these tough economic times, we have increased funding for our #1 ranked K-12 public education system and avoided tuition increases at our public universities.

Our shared history in Maryland has proven that, for all of our diversity, and for all of the things that distinguish us from one another, there is more that unites us than divides us. Diversity is truly our greatest strength and in many ways, Maryland's fast-growing and vibrant Asian Pacific American community is strengthening our entire State.

On behalf of the entire O'Malley-Brown Administration, we look forward to continuing our efforts in partnership with the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs to expand opportunities for all Marylanders.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley
Governor

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

The Governor's Office of Community Initiatives (GOCI) coordinates community and volunteer activities statewide and advises the Governor on policies to enhance and improve community programs. This office coordinates outreach to ethnic communities across Maryland through the Commission Division of GOCI, which includes the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, the Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs, the Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs, the Governor's Commission on African Affairs, the Maryland Council for New Americans, the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture. Other divisions include the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism, Volunteer Maryland and community outreach in cooperation with the Governor's Intergovernmental Affairs Office to serve the Executive Branch of Maryland government.

In 2008, Governor Martin O'Malley signed into law HB782, which received unanimous support in the Maryland House of Delegates and the Maryland State Senate. This legislation codified the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, making the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs a part of the Governor's Office. Doing so demonstrates the importance of the Commission, while making the resources and activities of the Governor's Office available to it.

David Lee is Executive Director of the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, which is comprised of key leaders from the fields of business, healthcare, education, government and community advocacy groups. Under the leadership of Commission Chair Jane Nishida, this talented and experienced group continues to serve as dependable advisors to the Governor and State agencies.

This report is reflective of the commitment and dedication of the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs to the residents of the State of Maryland.

Israel C. "Izzy" Patoka
Executive Director
Governor's Office of Community Initiatives



MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSION CHAIR

On behalf of the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, I am pleased to present this 2008-2009 Annual Report.

This Commission held meetings throughout 2008 and the first half of 2009 to collect information on federal, state and local programs affecting Asian Pacific Americans in Maryland and to identify the concerns facing the community. We would like extend our appreciation to all those who testified and shared information with the Commission.

This report summarizes the Commission's findings and presents its Work Plan for 2009-2010, in the areas of Business Development, Workforce Development, Community Development, and Social Services. The report also provides important community resources and demographic data regarding the Asian Pacific American population in Maryland.

To highlight the importance of the 2010 Census, the Commission intends to form an Asian Pacific American Complete Count Committee to ensure an accurate count of the APA community in Maryland. The Commission will work directly with APA community leaders from the various ethnic business, community and nonprofit organizations around the state to encourage full participation in the upcoming 2010 Census.

We thank Governor Martin O'Malley and Lt. Governor Anthony Brown for their vision, leadership and continued support for the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs.

Jane Nishida, Chair
Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs



COMMISSIONERS (ETHNICITY AND COUNTY OF RESIDENCE IN PARENTHESES):

Jane Nishida, Chair (Japanese, Montgomery County)

- Senior Environmental Institutions Specialist at the World Bank
- Former Secretary of the Maryland Department of the Environment
- Former Maryland Director, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Bruce Lee, Vice-Chair (Korean, Montgomery County)

- General Counsel for TissueGene, a biotech company in Montgomery County
- Founder and President, Greystone Capital Corporation

Anis Ahmed (Bangladeshi, Montgomery County)

- Coordinator, Montgomery County Office of Human Rights
- Director, Montgomery County Muslim Council
- Steering Committee Member, Asian American Health Initiative
- Member, Bangladesh Association of America, Inc.

Shukoor Ahmed (Indian, Prince George's County)

- CEO for V-Empower, Inc., an IT solutions company
- Executive Director, State Democracy Foundation

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- President, Baltimore Asian Trade Council, LLC
- Former faculty member, Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing
- Former member, Maryland State Arts Council

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- Chair, Korean American Community Association of Howard County
- Former Chair, Korean American Grocers Association (KAGRO) of Maryland

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- Executive Director, Learning Institute For Enrichment (LIFE) & Discovery, Inc.
- Program Co-Director, Chinese Studies Summer Center for the Gifted and Talented, Frederick County Public Schools
- Member, Frederick County Human Relations Commission

George Dang (Vietnamese, Montgomery County)

- President, Acacia Financial Advisors LLC
- Board Member, Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce
- Board Member, Montgomery College Foundation

Dr. Kamala Edwards (Indian, Montgomery County)

- President, Indian American Leadership Council (IALC)
- Former Chair, Maryland Governor's Advisory Council for New Americans (MACNA)/Governor's Task Force on Adult Education
- Former Chair & Founder, NAACP Multicultural Community Partnership, Montgomery County
- Professor, Department of English Composition and Literature, Montgomery College

Dr. Suresh Gupta (Indian, Montgomery County)

- Former member of the Maryland Board of Physicians Quality Assurance
- President of the Hindu Temple of Metropolitan Washington
- President of the Prince George's County Charitable Foundation

Maria Hrabinski (Filipino, Anne Arundel County)

- Former Legislative Assistant to Congressman Wayne Gilchrest
- Public Relations Officer, Katipunan Filipino American Association of Maryland

Dr. Martin Ma (Chinese, Montgomery County)

- President & CEO, ITTECOM, named one of the Top 100 MBEs for 2007 by the Daily Record and the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs
- Former Executive Vice President, Chinese Association of Sciences & Technology (CAST-USA)
- President, Northwestern Chinese American Association



David Pak (Korean, Anne Arundel County)

- President of USmax Corporation, a federal IT services contractor
 - Board Member, Goodwill Industries of the Chesapeake
 - Former Board Member, Baltimore Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
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Tammy Pantages (Korean, Charles County)

- President of the Korean American Association of Southern Maryland
 - Chair of the Korean Cultural Arts Foundation
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Shailesh Patel (Indian, Baltimore County)

- President, Hunt Valley Hospitality, Inc.
 - Senior Vice President of Development, New Generation Hospitality
 - Board Member, Children's Cancer Foundation
-

Lily Qi (Chinese, Montgomery County)

- President, Organization of Chinese Americans Greater Washington D.C. Chapter
 - Former Director of Public Affairs, D.C. Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking
 - Liaison to the Asian, Pacific Islander, Arab and Near-Eastern American Communities, Office of Montgomery Co. Executive Ike Leggett
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Dr. Amjad Riar (Pakistani, Montgomery County)

- Physician at Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Washington D.C.
 - Palliative Medicine Consultant and Medical Director for Capital Hospice, West Side Region
 - Member, Montgomery County Commission on Health
 - Board Member, Montgomery County Muslim Council
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Dr. Nayan Shah (Indian, St. Mary's County)

- Medical Director of Shah Associates, an 80-physician multi-specialty group practice in Southern Maryland
 - Director of Medical Services, BAPS Shree Swaminarayan Mandir
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Dr. Sovan Tun (Cambodian, Montgomery County)

- Economist/Statistician for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
 - President, Cambodian Buddhist Society
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 - Board Member, Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership
 - Former Associate Director for Community Relations, Prince George's County Office of Community Relations
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- Secretary, Board of Directors, Howard County Chinese School
- Former Planner, Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning
- American Institute of Certified Planners

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Executive Assistant



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2008, the Asian Pacific American (APA) community in Maryland was estimated at approximately 5,633,600 or 5.2% of the state's population (US Census Bureau). The largest concentration of Asian Pacific Americans reside in Montgomery County and represent 13% of the county's population. In the last eight years, the APA population has risen significantly throughout the state including Western Maryland (Frederick County 140% increase), Southern Maryland (Calvert County 70% increase), and the Eastern Shore (Queen Anne's County 78% increase). With the 2010 Census approaching, it is predicted that the rise in the APA population throughout Maryland will continue.

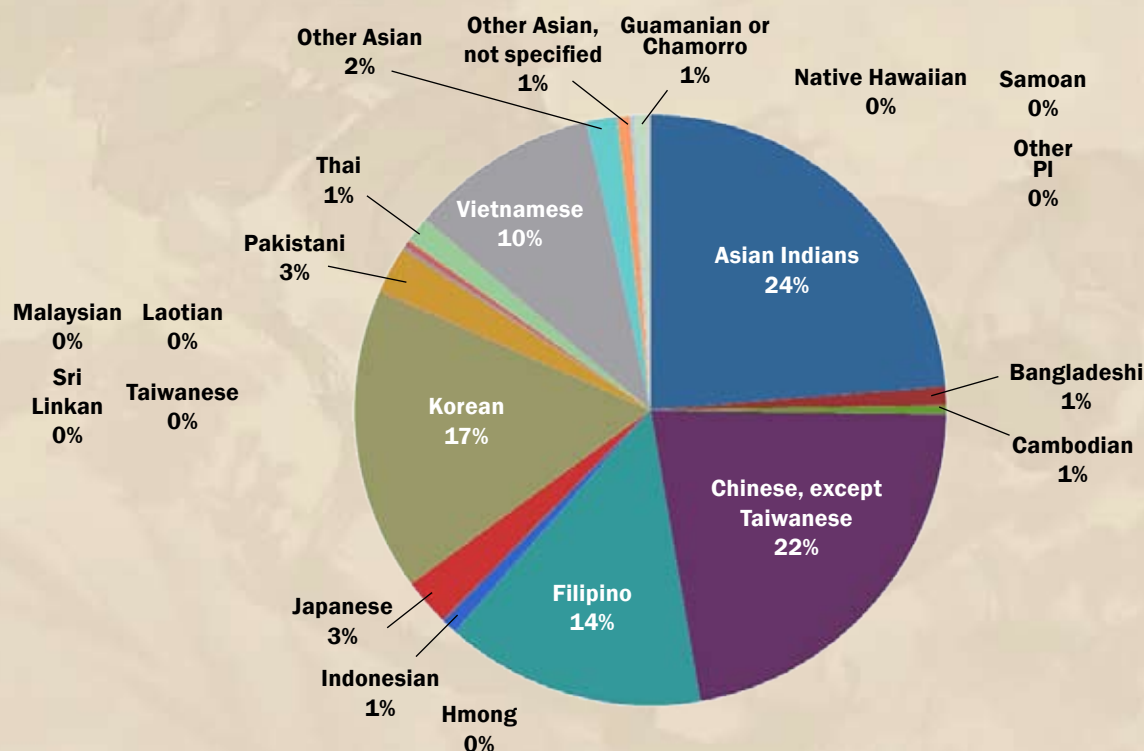
The Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs held meetings in 2008 and the first part of 2009 to gather information on federal, state and county programs affecting Asian Pacific Americans and to identify the concerns facing the APA community in Maryland. The Commission made a concerted effort to study a variety of issues affecting Asian Pacific Americans and to hold regional meetings throughout the State in order to engage the public and take testimony from all segments of the diverse APA community.

In order to better disseminate important information in a timely manner, the Commission has redesigned its website, www.asian.maryland.gov, to be a clearinghouse for resources from the Office of the Governor and State agen-

cies, community news and events, and other information of interest to the APA community.

The Commission has also been heavily involved with the work of the Maryland Council for New Americans (MCNA), which Governor O'Malley created by Executive Order in December 2008. Co-chaired by Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett and Secretary of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Tom Perez, the Council is charged with reviewing and recommending new policies and practices to improve immigrant integration into the economic and civic life of the state. Of the 400,000 immigrants in Maryland, 28% are from the APA community. The Commission will continue to participate in the work of the Council and provide support for many of the important recommendations of the Council.

Having gathered testimony and data about the APA community in Maryland, the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs is prepared to embark on new initiatives as well as to continue to work on existing projects to substantively address the needs and concerns of Maryland's Asian Pacific Americans. The Commission's work is primarily focused on the thematic areas of its four Committees: Business Development, Workforce Development, Community Development, and Social Services. The specific issues and findings that the Commission and each of the four Committees addressed are summarized in this report.





COMMISSION FINDINGS

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Promote Maryland as an investment destination for businesses from Asia and expand MBE opportunities for APA businesses.

International Trade and Investment

The Commission invited speakers from the Office of the Secretary of State; the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development's Office of International Investment and Trade; the Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership; and the Prince George's County Department of Economic Development to discuss international trade and investment opportunities. The Commission found that Asia is an important international focus for Maryland, in terms of Maryland companies seeking to expand into Asian markets as well as attracting Asian businesses to establish a presence and create jobs in Maryland. Of Maryland's six trade offices around the world, four are located in Asia – Shanghai, Seoul, Taipei and Singapore. The office in Shanghai is the longest running and largest operation of any U.S. state in China, and last year generated over \$30 million in export sales from Maryland companies.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Program

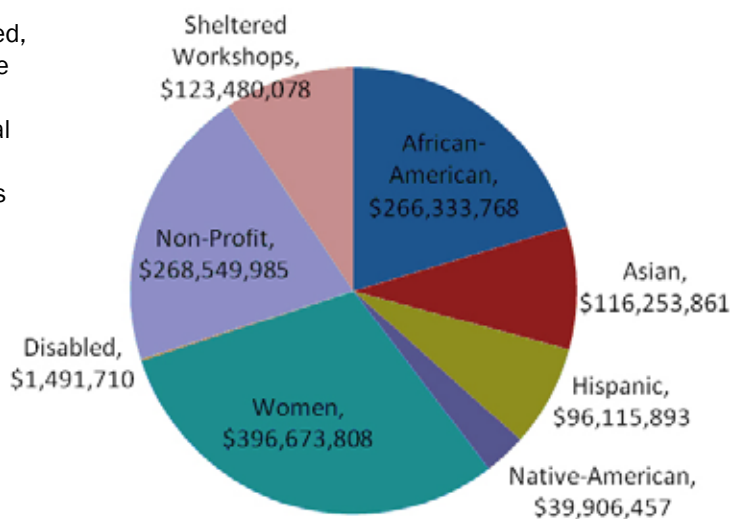
Another area of opportunity for APA-owned businesses is in Maryland's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Program, which requires every State agency to strive to award at least 25% of government contracts to minority-owned businesses. There are 22,000 Asian owned firms in the state and Maryland is ranked #10 in terms of Asian owned firms nationwide. Out of the total of 4,000 MBE certified firms, 275 of the certified firms are Asian owned, and the largest sector is in Information Technology. The Commission is partnering with the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs to improve outreach and offer additional resources in order to foster greater participation in the MBE Program from the Asian Pacific American business community.



Asian American Business Conference

In line with its efforts to expand opportunities for APA businesses, the Commission took a leading role in organizing the 4th Annual Asian American Business Conference at the University of Maryland, College Park. APA business leaders, chambers of commerce, and trade organizations throughout the state attended the conference, themed "Access to Opportunities". Workshop topics included: Doing Business with State Government; BRAC and Federal Stimulus Opportunities; Doing Business in International Markets; and Business and Finance in Today's Economy. In addition, the Commission collaborated with the Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership in several forums, including the MD-AEP Asia Water Forum.

The Value of Awards Granted and the Percentage Change in the Amount of Awards by Different Classifications



Sources: Sage Policy Group Inc. Analysis of MBE Procurement Awards Data and GOMA, Minority Business Enterprise Annual Report for FY 2006 and FY 2007

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Promote diversity in State government and increase employment opportunities for APAs in the public and private sectors.

APA Representation in State Government

The Commission heard testimony from the Department of Budget & Management and Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation regarding the status of APAs in state government. While APAs comprise 5% of the State's total population, they only make up about 1% of the State government workforce. However, they make up almost 3% of State employees in professional classifications, and almost 2% of employees in the Executive Service (agency heads and managers). A much higher percentage, or 12%, of the total employees at the University System in Maryland are Asian Pacific Americans. The Workforce Development Committee will work with State agencies to share information and resources to attract more APAs into State government.

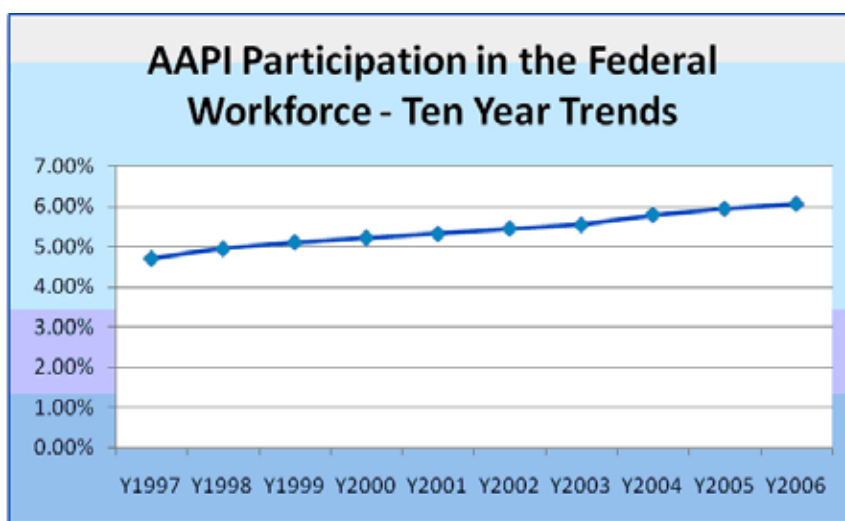
APA Representation in Federal Government

The Commission heard testimony from the White House Office of Presidential Personnel, Federal Asian Pacific American Council, and the Office of Equal Opportunity and Diversity Management at NOAA. In the federal government, the Asian Pacific American population represents approximately 6% of the federal workforce, which includes

military and civilian employees. In federal agencies with a high demand for science and engineering disciplinary backgrounds, Asian Pacific Americans make up a significantly larger representation. For example, in the Department of Commerce, APAs represent 8% of the workforce, while in the Patent and Trademark Office they represent 27% of the workforce. However, APA representation decreases significantly at upper management levels, even in agencies with large overall representation of APAs.

Best Practices in Montgomery County

With the most ethnically varied population in Maryland, Montgomery County has adopted an aggressive workforce diversity management plan. Montgomery County conducts a county-wide departmental needs assessment to determine workforce diversity needs, and tracks workforce diversity trends within county government. Montgomery County has also developed a comprehensive outreach recruitment strategy to enhance the diversity in the candidate pool. To recruit more diverse candidates, the county understands it is not enough to post job announcements in government offices – this information must be pro-actively disseminated in the communities. The State government could learn from the example set by Montgomery County in assessing, tracking, and promoting APA diversity in the state workforce.



Source: U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Annual Report on the Federal Workforce – Fiscal Year 2006, Appendix III, Table A-1



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Goal: Encourage full participation by the APA community in the 2010 Census to ensure a complete and accurate count in Maryland, and promote awareness of APA cultures and contributions.

2010 Census Outreach

One of the primary activities for the Commission in 2009 and 2010 will be the promotion and outreach to the APA community regarding the importance of the 2010 Census. Previous federal funding patterns indicate that, based on U.S. Census counts, Maryland receives \$1,000 per resident per year from the federal government. However, APAs are considered by the Census Bureau to be a Hard-to-Count (HTC) population. Some APAs choose not to fill out their Census forms because they developed mistrust of government in their countries of origin leading to mistrust of American government, they believe that personal information will be misused, they do not see how it benefits them personally, and various other reasons. Given this, it is important to educate the APA community with three key Census messages:

- Importance of being counted – impacts funding for social services and public infrastructure and affects political representation;
- Ease of the questionnaire - only 10 questions;
- Safety of the Census - by law, the U.S. Census Bureau cannot disclose personal information.

To increase access to HTC populations, the US Census has brochures in various languages, including Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Malayalam, Urdu, and Vietnamese. These brochures should be widely distributed within the APA community in Maryland.

Asian Pacific American Heritage

The Commission promotes cultural awareness of the many diverse cultures within the APA community in events across the state. The Commission's activities culminate in the month of May

with the observance of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. In May 2009, the Commission also partnered with the Baltimore Orioles to recognize the significant accomplishments of former U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta. Because of his Japanese ancestry, Secretary Mineta, along with his family, was held in an internment camp during World War II. Despite experiencing this injustice, he had a distinguished career of lifelong service to his country as an U.S. Congressman, U.S. Secretary of Commerce, and U.S. Secretary of Transportation.



Credit: Todd Olszewski

Reasons For Not Participating in the Census

Community	Primary Barrier	Other Concerns
Korean	Lack of awareness, no reason/benefit to participate	Only citizens can participate, language, Census is voluntary
Vietnamese	Lack of awareness, no reason/benefit to participate	Legal status, language
Cambodian	Language	Impact on assistance/welfare, Census is voluntary
Filipino	Distrust data will be secure and confidential	Why is the data being collected, no benefits from participation
Laotian	Language, illiteracy	Fear wrong answers could jeopardize status, impact on assistance/welfare
Chinese	No reason/benefit to participate	Legal status, mistrust of government, language
Arab	Mistrust of government	Distrust data will be secure and confidential, war on terror
Multi-racial	Apathy, no reason/benefit to participate	Distrust data will be secure and confidential
Caucasian	Apathy, no reason/benefit to participate	Census is voluntary

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, "Qualitative Research Conducted on Behalf of the U.S. Census Bureau: Ethnic and Racial Sub-Population Focus Group Research"

SOCIAL SERVICES

Goal: Promote awareness of the health care issues and programs affecting the APA community in Maryland.

State Minority Health Programs

The Commission received testimony from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on State programs that address health issues in the APA community. Two such programs in Maryland are the Minority Outreach and Technical Assistance (MOTA) Program and the Minority Health & Health Disparities Program. The MOTA Program, part of the Cigarette Restitution Fund Program (CFRP), targets minority populations throughout the State to increase tobacco prevention and decrease the incidence of tobacco-related disease and death. The Minority Health & Health Disparities Program seeks to eliminate health disparities and ensure that quality health services are accessible to every Marylander, regardless of race, gender, national origin, language or socio-economic status.

Asian American Health Status

While heart disease is the number one cause of death for the general population, cancer is the number one cause of death for Asian Pacific Americans. Hepatitis B is also one of the largest threats – Asian Pacific Americans are 3 to 13 times more likely to die from liver cancer caused by Hepatitis B. There is also a higher risk of developing osteoporosis for Asian Pacific Americans due to low bone mass and a higher prevalence of tuberculosis among the APA community. Many APA groups face difficult barriers to accessing health care from lack of health insurance, limited understanding of the health care system, and cultural acceptance of alternative medicine. Nationally, 1 out of 5 Asian Pacific Americans do not have health insurance.

Asian American Health Initiative

The Commission found that Montgomery County's Asian American Health Initiative (AAHI) is a model for the State on how to address APA health issues. AAHI's mission is to identify the health care needs of Asian American communities, to develop culturally competent health care services and to implement health education programs that are accessible and available to all Asian Americans. AAHI has a large list of collaborators, hospitals, and health care providers, and other partners to deal with reaching out to the APA community. The Health Promoters Program consists of volunteers who speak various Asian languages to help AAHI reach out to the APA community. A new program, the Patient Navigator Program, will assist in accessing health care services within the county as well as some safety net clinics. AAHI recently released a report on Asian American Health Priorities which the Commission will use to assess APA health needs on a statewide level.

(http://www.aahiinfo.org/english/pdf/needs_Assessment/AAHI_01AssessmentReport.pdf)

Leading Causes of Death for Asian Americans

	Males	Females	Overall
1	Cancer	Cancer	Cancer
2	Heart disease	Heart disease	Heart disease
3	Stroke	Stroke	Stroke
4	Accidents	Diabetes	Accidents
5	Chronic lower respiratory disease	Accidents	Diabetes
6	Diabetes	Influenza and pneumonia	Influenza and pneumonia
7	Influenza and pneumonia	Chronic lower respiratory disease	Chronic lower respiratory disease
8	Suicide	Alzheimer's disease	Suicide
9	Kidney disease	Kidney disease	Kidney disease
10	Homicide	Hypertension	Alzheimer's disease

Source: CDC, Health, United States 2006

Languages Spoken at Home

Language	Number of Speakers	% of Maryland Population
Spanish	286,481	5.77
French	46,959	0.93
Chinese	43,192	0.85
Korean	32,649	0.65
Kru, Igbo, Yoruba	23,792	0.47
Tagalog	21,802	0.43
German	21,307	0.42
Russian	21,200	0.42
Vietnamese	16,756	0.33
Hindi	16,042	0.32

Source: 2005 American Community Survey & Census 2000, Summary File 3



COMMISSION WORK PLAN FOR 2009-2010

Full Commission Activities:

- Continue participation in the work of the New Americans Council and provide support for the implementation of the Council's recommendations
- Develop StateStat indicators to track and measure the effectiveness of state outreach and engagement of the APA community
- Review legislative and executive policies and programs affecting APA and immigrant communities
- Partner with other ethnic Commissions on issues of mutual concern

Business Development Committee Activities:

- Continue leading role in organizing the next Asian American Business Conference
- Study ways to expand MBE opportunities for APA businesses
- Study the utilization of the State's foreign trade zones
- Meet with the Department of Business & Economic Development, Maryland Port Authority, and Maryland Aviation Administration on promoting Maryland as an attractive destination for businesses in Asia
- Work with the Maryland Council for New Americans to improve access to programs and services for APA-owned businesses

Workforce Development Committee Activities:

- Collect additional data on APA representation in State government, including the number of APAs in each department or agency
- Develop a pro-active recruitment strategy to attract APAs to state government positions
- Assess the State's cultural competency training program and make recommendations as appropriate
- Proactively recruit and recommend qualified APAs to high-level government positions and appointments to State boards and commissions
- Study the underemployment of professional and skilled immigrants, particularly in the healthcare professions, and evaluate the process for transfer of credentials and certifications

Community Development Committee Activities:

- Establish Maryland's APA Complete Count Committee for the 2010 Census and recruit APA community leaders to participate in the Complete Count Committee
- Educate the APA community through local ethnic media regarding the importance of participation in the 2010 Census
- Organize a speakers bureau to speak at APA community events on the importance of the Census
- Partner with the US Census Bureau to distribute Census related resources in the APA community
- Coordinate activities with the Governor's Statewide Complete Count Committee and Local Complete Count Committees throughout the State

Social Services Committee Activities:

- Use the Asian American Health Initiative's recent study and report to analyze APA health needs statewide
- Conduct assessment of state programs and mapping of service providers, and identify existing gaps
- Work with State agencies to address identified gaps in state programs and services
- Share best practices in Montgomery County with other areas of the State
- Explore availability of federal funds to improve access to health care for the APA community



APPENDIX A: APPOINTMENTS

Governor Martin O'Malley and Lt. Governor Anthony Brown are committed to increasing the representation of Asian Pacific Americans on Maryland boards and commissions, to better reflect the demographics of the State. The Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs is working with the Governor's Appointments Office to recruit and recommend the most qualified APAs to serve on boards and commissions. The following is a list of Asian Pacific Americans appointed to the State's boards and commissions.

Acupuncture, State Board of

David Cai

Anne Arundel Community College

Board of Trustees

Bushra Raza

Architects, State Board of

Diane E. Cho

Arts Council, Maryland State

Nilimma S. Devi

Jon Jiang Liu Ph.D.

Asian Pacific American Affairs, Governor's Commission on

Jane T. Nishida, Esquire

Bruce B. Lee, Esquire

Anis Ahmed

Shukoor Ahmed

Katherine M. Chin

Kwang Choi

Elizabeth L. Chung

George P. Dang

Kamala Edwards, Ph.D.

Suresh C. Gupta, M.D.

Maria Angelita K. Hrabinski

Martin Ma, Ph.D.

David S. Pak

Tammy Pantages

Shailesh J. Patel

Lily H. Qi

Amjad Riar, M.D.

Nayan R. Shah, M.D.

Sovan Tun, Ph.D.

Beth A. Wong

Kui Zhao

Assistive Technology Guaranteed Loan Program Board of Directors

Sue C. Lin

Baltimore City Board of Elections

Eleanor K. Wang



Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners

Anirban Basu

Banking Board

Kamran A. Khan

Boiler Rules, Board of

Ashwani Kumar Gupta, Ph.D.

Career and Technology Education Task Force

Theresa W. Hollander

Anthony Wong

Child Abuse and Neglect, State Council on

Sue Song

Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, State Board of

Jonathan C. Nou, D.C.

Correctional Standards, Commission on

Maria T. Elmo, M.D.

Dental Examiners, State Board of

Ngoc Q. Chu, D.D.S.

Disabilities, Maryland State Planning Council on Developmental

Grace Pushparany Williams

Economic Development Commission, Maryland

Deepak Bansal

Education, State Board of

D. Derek Wu

Madhu Sidhu

Emergency Management Advisory Council

James C. Chang

Green Building Council, Maryland

Peter C. Doo



Handgun Roster Board

Craig D. Uchida, Ph.D.

Health Care Commission, Maryland

Kenny W. Kan

Health Quality and Cost Council, Maryland

Deborah I. Chang

**Health Resources Commission, Maryland
Community**

John L. Young, M.D.

Health Services Cost Review Commission, State

Herbert S. Wong, Ph.D.

**Health and Mental Hygiene, Board of Review
of the Department of**

Yoo Jung Chang

**Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Programs,
State Advisory Council on**

Chan-Hing M. Ho, M.D.

Chen Y. Tung, M.D.

Higher Education Commission, Maryland

Chung K. Pak

Anwer Hasan

Independent Living Council, Maryland Statewide

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Infants and Toddlers, Interagency Coordinating Council For

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Influenza Coordinating Committee, Maryland State Pandemic

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Committee**

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**Middle Eastern American Affairs, Governor's
Commission on**

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Irma Hafeez

Dorreya R. Elmenshawy

Durriya H. Badani

Montgomery County Board of Elections

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Montgomery County PTA Appeal Board

Shannon Yang

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Examiners of**

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Occupational Therapy Practice, State Board of

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Meenakshi D. Gupta

Pharmacy, State Board of

Lenna Israbian-Jamgochian

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Ved K. Gupta

Physicians, State Board of

Habib A. Bhutta, M.D.

Suresh K. Gupta, M.D., P.A.

Nallan C. Ramakrishna, M.D.

Potomac River Basin, Interstate Commission on

Corazon Legaspi Dones

Principals' Task Force

Mita Badshah

Public Accountancy, Maryland State Board of

Muhammad A. Khan, CPA

Public Broadcasting Commission, Maryland

Eleanor K. Wang

STEM Task Force

Rizwan A. Siddiqi

**Service and Volunteerism, Governor's
Commission on**

Margaret Kim

**Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO)
Board of Directors, Maryland**

W. Winston Chan, Ph.D.

Transportation Commission, Maryland

Sudhir M. Trivedi

Transportation Goals, Benchmarks and Indicators, Advisory Committee for

Steve Chan

**Trial Courts Judicial Nominating Commission District 1
– Somerset, Wicomico, Worcester Counties**

Paul Pereira Abu-Zaid

Mandip Parmar, M.D.

Trial Courts Judicial Nominating Commission District 9

– Howard County

Sang W. Oh

Ankur “Andy” Dalal

Trial Courts Judicial Nominating Commission District 11

– Montgomery County

William J. Chen Jr., Esquire

Paul M. Tiao, Esquire

Trial Courts Judicial Nominating Commission District 14

– Baltimore City

Marian C. Hwang, Esquire

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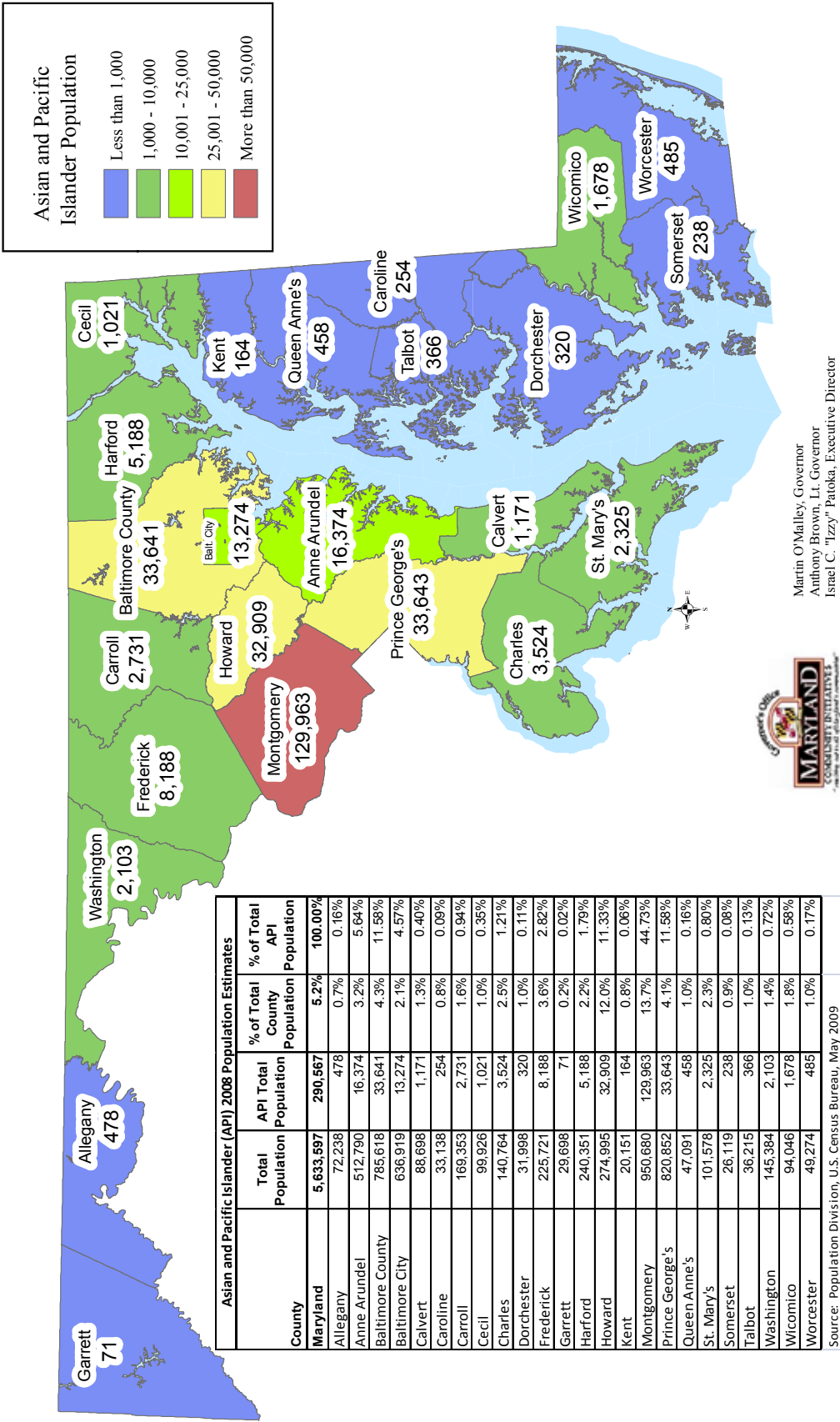
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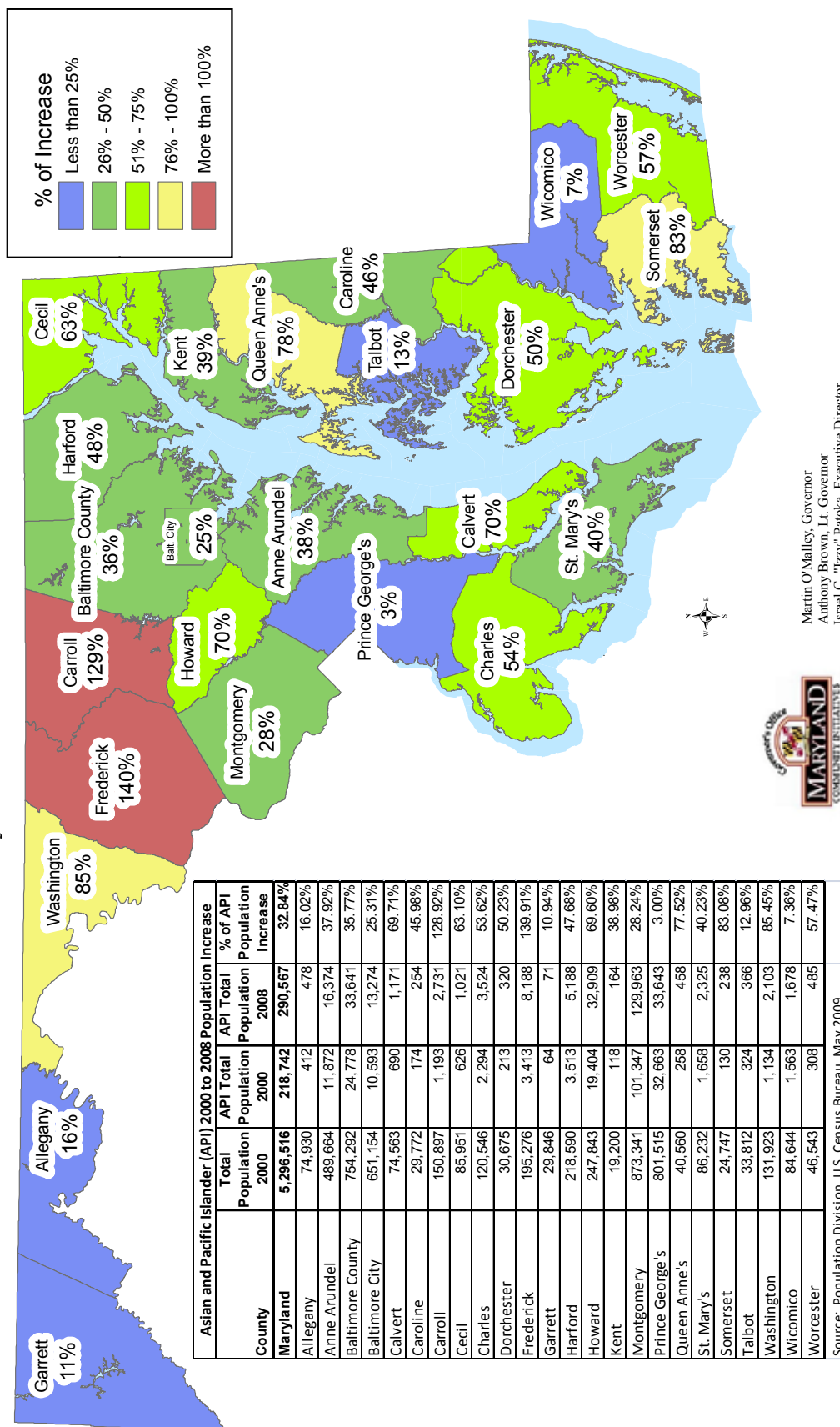
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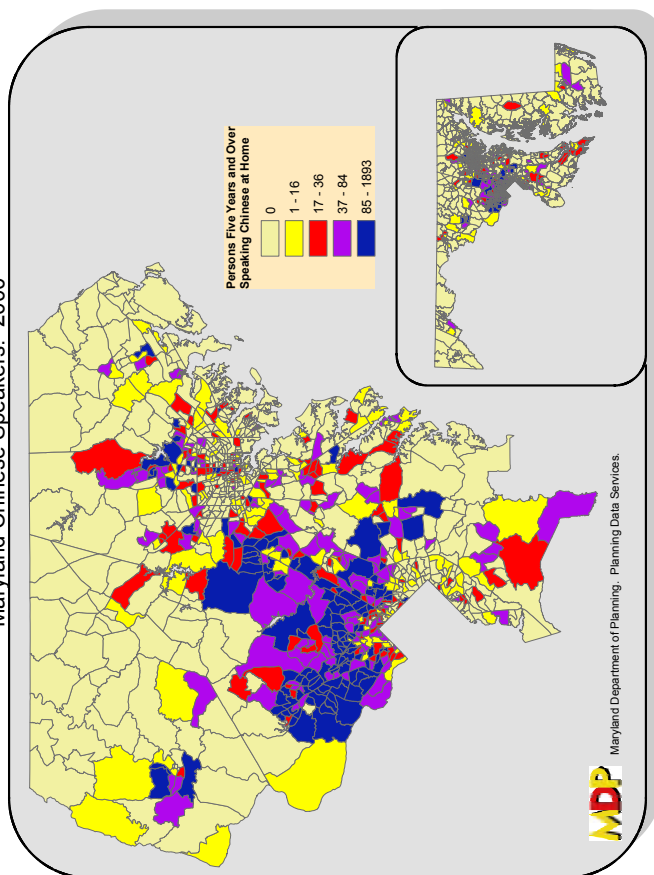
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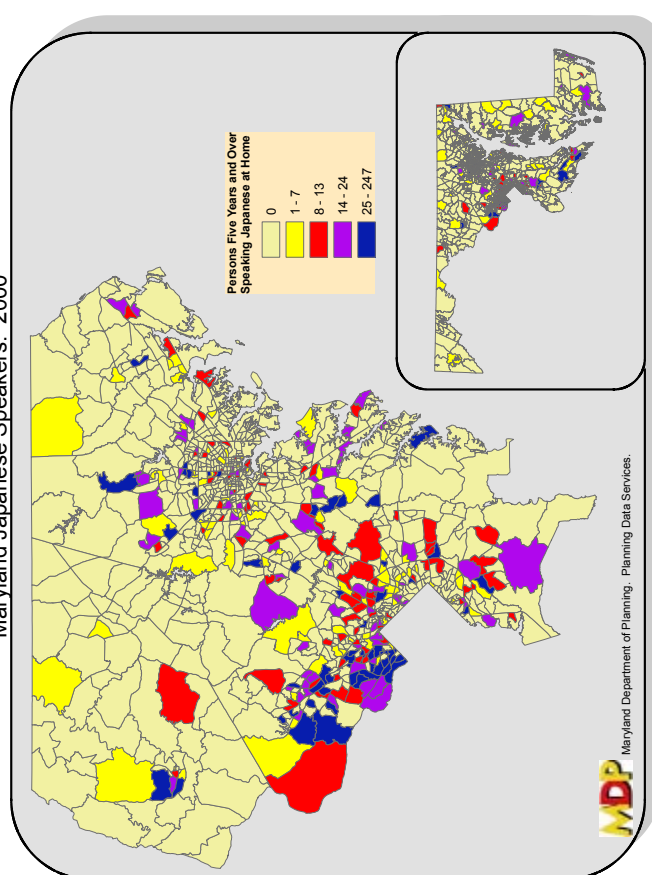


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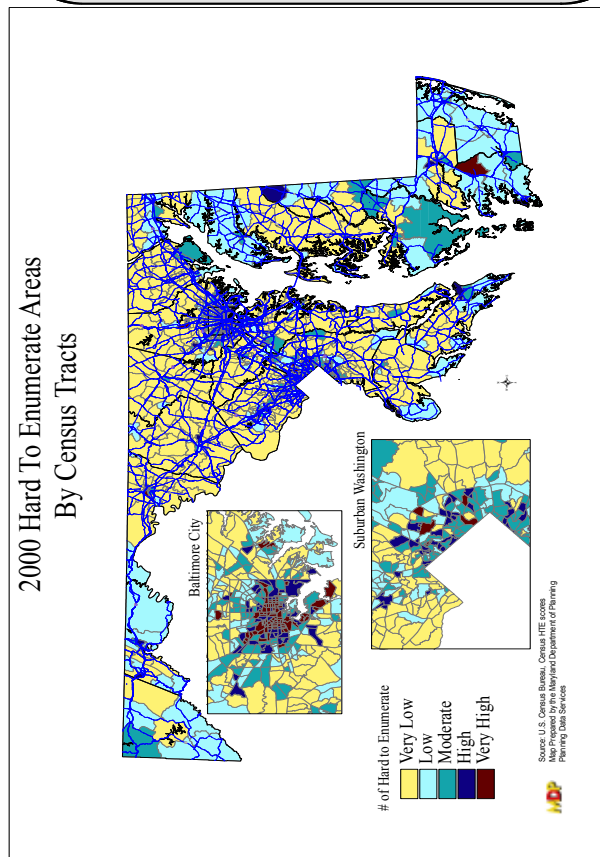
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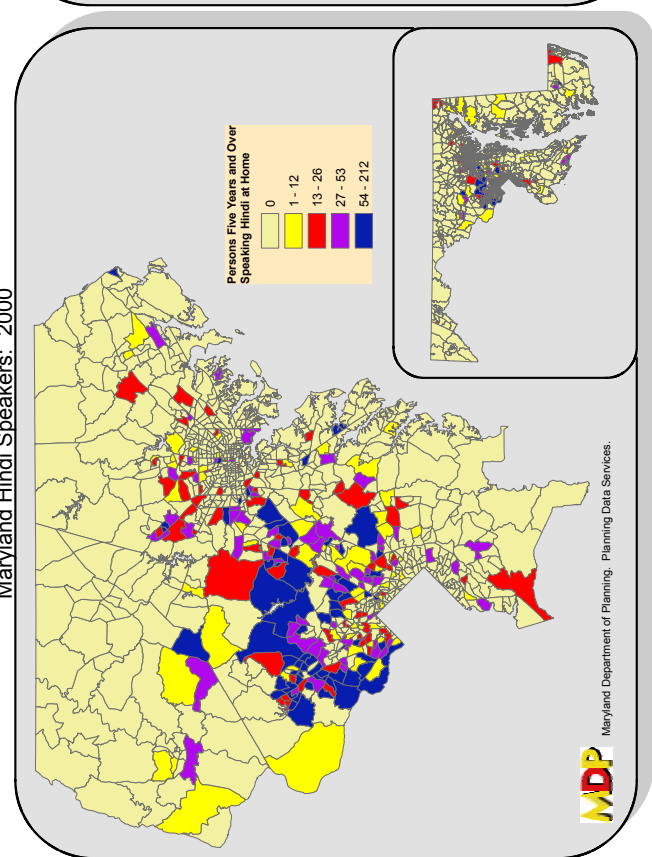
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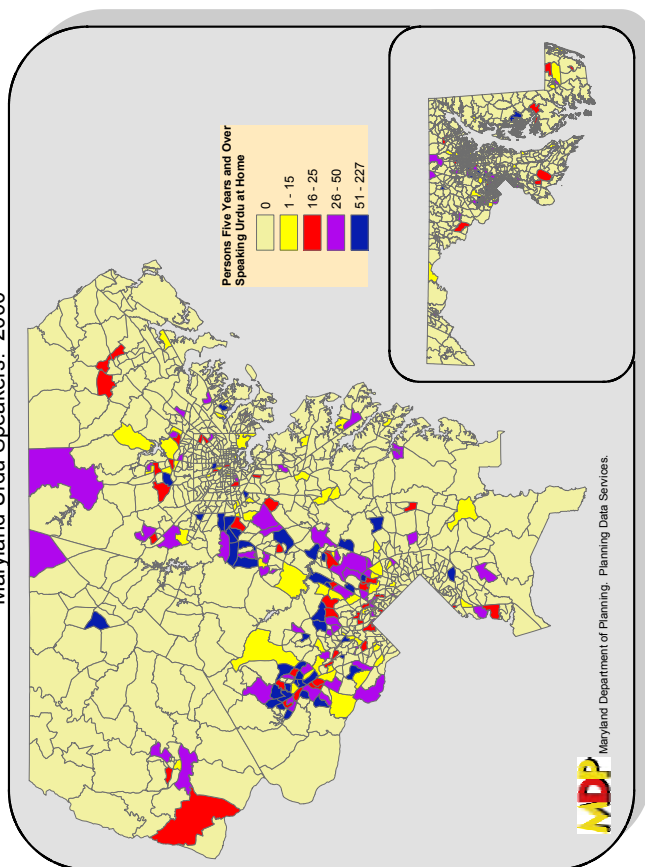
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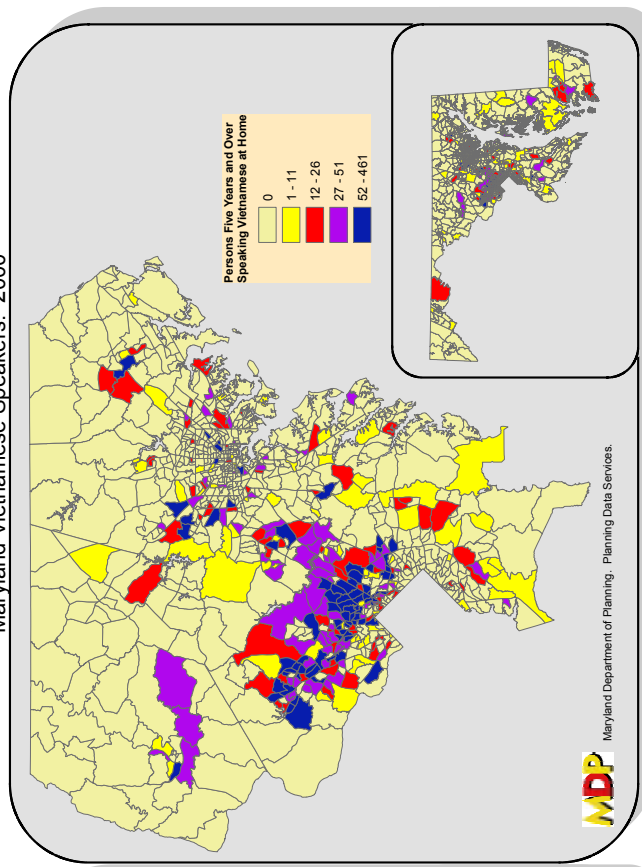
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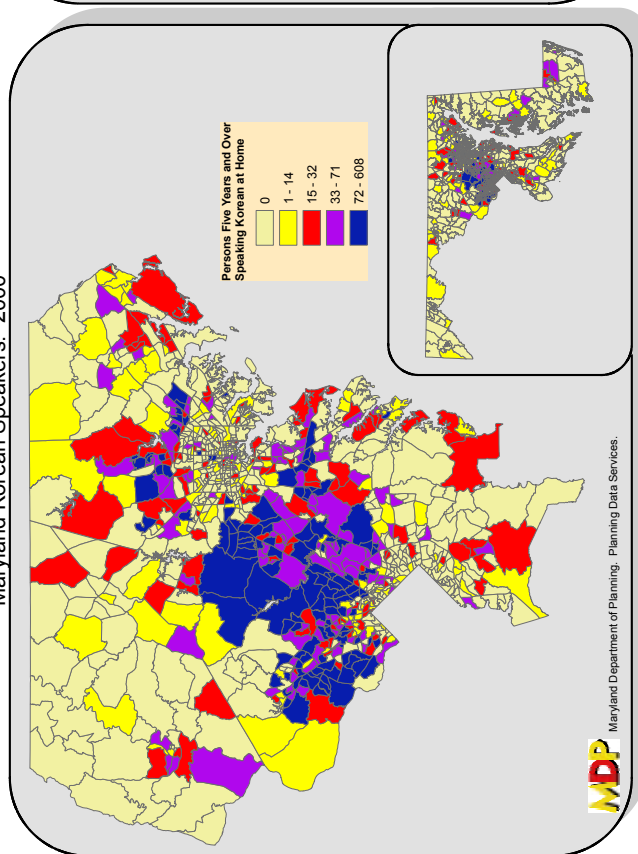
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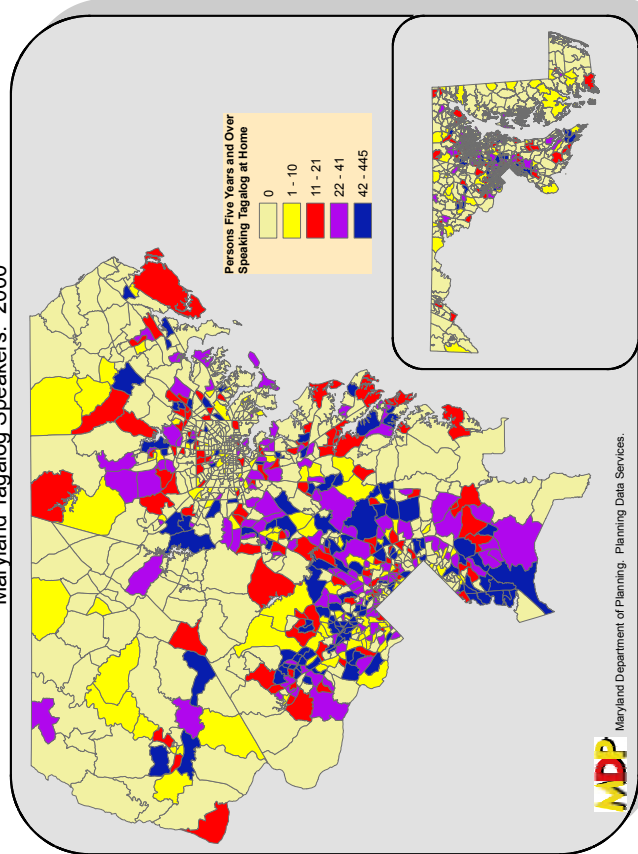
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