



# KOREAN RESOURCE CENTER 2016 HIGHLIGHTS



The Korean Resource Center was founded in 1983 with a mission to empower the Korean American and Asian American community through services, education, organizing and advocacy. KRC has three operating offices in Southern California: two in Los Angeles and one in Orange County. Every year, KRC serves more than 11,000 low income families through public health & social services, immigration legal services and housing counseling. KRC is an online hub for community members seeking information with its website attracting an average of 5,000 unique visits a month and its work has been widely covered, generating 350 media hits a year. Here is a breakdown of our highlights from 2016:

## Civic Engagement

- 100 volunteers secured over 7,600 new voter registrations, sponsored an Early Voting Townhall with 200 senior voters, and contacted 30,312 Asian American voters via phone throughout California encouraging them to vote.
- Played a leadership role in changing the City of Fullerton at-large election system to a district-based election system which will provide more election opportunities for candidates of color.
- Developed 30 new youth leaders, both high school & college students, as well as 50 grassroots immigrant senior leaders.

# **Immigrant Rights Project**

- Co-Organized the National DACA Video Tour in 18 cities with over 1,200 attendees and mobilized for the DACA rally in front of the Supreme Court in Washington, DC.
- The Immigrant Rights Project provided pre-consultation to 3,700 community members on Naturalization, DACA, Green Card Renewal and other immigration related legal services and assisted with the completion of 2,002 applications.

#### Affordable Housing

- After ten years of effort, KRC secured \$24-million from the government and private financial institutions to build two low-income senior apartments in Los Angeles' Koreatown. In September 2016, KRC completed construction and held a ribbon cutting ceremony.
- Senior organizing group Community Health Promoters (CHP) secured more than 5,000 signed petitions demanding more public funding allocation for low-income housing development.
- 450 low-income families and seniors received consultation on low-income housing and among them, 121 applications were assisted.

## **Health Access Project**

• Provided consultation for 938 low income families and seniors and enrolled 549 individuals into public health insurance programs.





