

## FACT SHEET

**OUR MISSION** *The mission of AAGEN is to promote, expand and support Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) leadership in Government.*

### ANNUAL AAGEN LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP

AAGEN is presenting its 12<sup>th</sup> Leadership Workshop on Thursday, 16 June 2016 at the Crystal City Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202. Following 11 highly acclaimed events, this year's Workshops will offer sessions that will motivate professionals to excel in what they do. Our theme this year, "Leadership in the Transition," will provide a platform for leaders in Government and Industry to engage the attendees on ways to make a difference in the workplace and in the society at large. Speakers are senior career civilians, military officers, political appointees, and retired Government executives. Each of these leaders is recognized and respected within their field. The speakers will offer their life experiences related to their career goals, what they did once they got there, and how to stand up and make a difference in the workplace. This one-day event is designed for mid-level professionals in government but it can easily benefit anyone wishing to learn and apply the advice for strengthening their careers. AAGEN's hope is to reach the next generations of leaders who aspire to achieve executive-level placement. As part of its mission to champion the leaders of today and tomorrow, AAGEN will again provide its signature Executive Career Coaching to attendees, so each participant can meet face-to-face with an executive coach for consultation and advice.

### 17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AAGEN GALA DINNER

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Banquet will also be held on Thursday, 16 June 2016 at the Crystal City Doubletree Hotel. A reception begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by the gala dinner, attended by executives and managers in Government and industry. This Award Dinner follows the daylong AAGEN Leadership Workshop. This year, we will be presenting three awards: The "Lifetime Achievement Award" which is presented to an individual who has dedicated his or her life in the service of our nation, and embodies the strength, patriotism, and excellence of the Asian American community. This year's honoree is ADMIRAL Harry Harris, Commanding General of the US Pacific Command. The second award is the "Stan Suyat Memorial Leadership Award" –presented this year to Giao Phan, Executive Director to PEO Aircraft carrier in the US Navy-- recognizes a leader in public service who has supported the Asian American community through AAGEN. Our third award is the "Leadership in Public Service Award." This award is presented to someone who has advanced the strong values of Public Service, and has promoted diversity within the highest ranks of Government with fervor and dedication. This year's awardee is Veronica Villalobos, the Principal Deputy Associate Director for the U.S. Office of Personnel Management's (OPM) Employee Services division. In addition,

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AAGEN will present 4 scholarships, funded entirely from the proceeds of support to our Conference and Award Banquet. Scholarship winners are chosen from submissions from across the country and are presented to worthy recipients who plan a career in public service. For more information please contact:

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