

# How to Form a Local AAPI Caucus

## What do we do?

As the Asian American and Pacific Islander Caucus, our goal is to speak to, and speak for, the diverse AAPI community among Democrats Abroad membership in all three regions: Asia-Pacific, EMEA and the Americas.

The AAPI Caucus hopes to act as a unified voice to call for structural reforms and for recognizing AAPI perspectives in Democrats Abroad.

## What is this document?

This document will provide you and your country committee the steps necessary to become an official arm of the global Asian American Pacific Islander Caucus.

## Why should you form a local AAPI Caucus?

There are a number of reasons a local Asian American Pacific Caucus can be beneficial to your country or local chapter:

1. It will enable you to engage with your AAPI members more effectively and encourage greater involvement in your local activities.
2. It will provide your local membership an outlet to shape conversations at the global level about issues relevant to the AAPI community.
3. It will provide leadership opportunities for your members.

For the Country Committee or Chapter Chair*	
Item	Completed
1. Join the AAPI Caucus at <a href="http://www.democratsabroad.org/aapi">www.democratsabroad.org/aapi</a> .	
2. Become or appoint a local country committee AAPI Liaison	
3. Request an email alias from the Global IT team for your local AAPI caucus group	
4. Make sure your <a href="#">Democrats Abroad Confidentiality Agreement</a> is filled out and submitted	
5. Once it is submitted, email <a href="mailto:aapicaucus@democratsabroad.org">aapicaucus@democratsabroad.org</a> and let us know steps one and two are completed	
6. Once we receive your email, we will register you as an official AAPI Caucus and be in contact with more information	

## For the Country Committee or Chapter AAPI Liaison\*\*

Item	Completed
1. Join the AAPI Caucus at <a href="http://www.democratsabroad.org/aapi">www.democratsabroad.org/aapi</a>	
2. Liaisons should join AAPI Google Group for communication and updates	
3. Make sure your <a href="#">Democrats Abroad Confidentiality Agreement</a> is filled out and submitted	
4. Attend global AAPI Caucus meetings (optional)	
5. Collaborate with the Global AAPI Caucus Liaison	

## For Individuals

Item	Completed
1. Join the AAPI Caucus at <a href="http://www.democratsabroad.org/aapi">www.democratsabroad.org/aapi</a>	
2. Connect with the country committee AAPI liaison to find out about volunteer opportunities.	
3. Make sure your <a href="#">Democrats Abroad Confidentiality Agreement</a> is filled out and submitted	
4. Get involved in your local AAPI Caucus	

### Terms

\*Country committee or chapter chair refers to the executive leader of the local chapter. The AAPI Global Caucus encourages local caucuses to operate in support of and in tandem with the local chapter's operations.

\*\*Liaison is a broad term meaning point of contact. This person could be a caucus leader on the executive committee, an individual volunteer wishing to initiate the formation of the caucus, or even a general member who is willing to manage correspondence and programming. The term is intentionally vague to reflect different leadership structures within countries and chapters.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach us at [aapicaucus@democratsabroad.org](mailto:aapicaucus@democratsabroad.org).