We are pleased to extend our congratulations to KAFSC, its board members and officers, and all those who have been a part of this wonderful organization, for their 23 years of service to the community.

From all of us at Lee Anav Chung LLP.
Congratulations to the Korean American Family Service Center for 23 years of empowering families to lead their lives with dignity!

Myung Shin Lee & Wha Sup Chung
Mina, Guy and Kenny

Misook and Harry Doolittle are proud to support the Korean American Family Service Center and its outstanding contributions to the community.

Misook and Harry Doolittle
Dear Friends and Supporters,

We are thrilled to celebrate the 23rd Annual Benefit Gala for the Korean American Family Service Center (KAFSC). As Gala Co-Chairs, it has been a truly rewarding and heartwarming experience to witness the incredible generosity and support that our community has shown to bring this evening together.

From our magnificent Honorary Chair Misook Doositlee, to the unwavering support of our Vision in Action Honorees Circle of Friends, to our energetic and talented Host After School Program children performers, to our wonderful keynote speaker Amy Chua, Yale Law professor and author of the bestselling memoir Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother, this evening will truly exemplify how we as an organization and a community can truly rise hope and transform lives.

While it has been a privilege and honor to serve on the Gala Committee, it is all of you who have joined us at this Gala that have made it all possible.

The fundraising that we accomplish here this evening will help KAFSC to accept more children and youth into our after-school programs than ever before. You make it possible for women and teens in crisis to find hope. You make it possible for each and every one of our clients to transform their lives for a better and brighter future through services, such as our Transitional Housing Program.

We encourage everyone to bid generously on our many exciting silent and live auction items. We thank you for your generous support today, tomorrow and beyond.

Warmest regards,

Yung Moon
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Mistress of Ceremonies, Vikian Lee, NYF News

Executive Director and Board Chair Greetings
Grace Jongsook Youn, Executive Director
Sarah B. Sung, Chair, Board of Directors

Vision in Action Award
Circle of Friends
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2012 KAFSC Video

Special Performance
Hodori Samulnori
We are proud to have the students from Hodori Program’s Samulnori class perform at tonight’s gala

Dinner

Live Auction
Elizabeth Cho & Kyun Yi

Keynote Speaker
Amy Chua
Author of Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother and
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Silent Auction Winners Announced
Closing
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Misook Doolittle

Born in Seoul, South Korea, Misook Doolittle is a graduate of the University of Southern Indiana. Misook is married to Harry C. Doolittle, artist, author and former advertising agency creative director. They reside in Scarsdale, New York.

Misook is the founder of the Exclusively Misook brand, which specializes in women’s couture, and is now owned by the HNW Corporation of New York. Misook started her career in fashion in Detroit in 1991, where she taught herself to knit and created her unique knit sweaters. She soon took her samples to the Kenneth Boutique in New York City, which purchased all of them and her sweaters and gave her the first orders for the Exclusively Misook line. Thus, the brand was launched.

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This year, KAFSC is honoring Circle of Friends, a group of dedicated Korean American women who have passionately supported KAFSC’s mission for the past 15 years. Through this Vision in Action award, the Center recognizes those whose efforts motivate and encourage the rest of us.

Helmed by Myung Shin Lee, co-founder of Circle of Friends and a KAFSC Board of Directors member, this unwavering group of women formed their group at KAFSC to find ways to assist those in need. As they worked together and rallied their resources, their commitment blossomed into lifelong friendships and much more. The results of Circle of Friends’ acts and accomplishments directly and indirectly impacted countless women and their children.

In April 2011, Ms. Lee received the Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) Award by BMO and the Ding Family Foundation for her nearly twenty years of dedicated community service and volunteerism. The Circle of Friends’ spirit of sharing and volunteerism has inspired all of us at KAFSC.
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SPECIAL PERFORMANCE
Hodori Samulnori

KAFSC’s Hodori After-school Program has a variety of special classes ranging from arts and crafts, taekwondo, music, fencing and traditional Korean dance and music (Samulnori).

Samulnori is a genre of traditional Korean percussion music performed with four traditional Korean musical instruments: a small gong (kwang-gwan), a larger gong (jang), an hourglass-shaped drum (jang-gu) and a barrel drum (buks). Samulnori is based on the principles of excitement and relaxation, as well as harmony of music notes. It has its roots in “farmers’ music” (cing-ak), a Korean folk genre comprising of music, acrobatics, folk dance and rituals which was traditionally performed in rice farming villages to ensure and celebrate good harvests.

During Hodori Program’s Samulnori class, students learn the basics of Korean drum rhythms and music. The Hodori Samulnori Korean Drumming team includes Instructor Kyoung Soo Kim and Hodori students Lindsay Chun, Julis Han, Chon Kang, Angela Kim, Daniel Kim, Yeouyon Kim and Yoo Jin. We are proud to have the students perform at tonight’s gala and congratulate the students on their hard work.
Thank You KAFSC for Your Compassion and Commitment to Serving Our Community!

Eddie & Sunyoung Chung

We salute the Korean American Family Service Center for its 23 years of outstanding work in raising hope, transforming lives of so many struggling women and children.

Congratulations to this year’s honoree, Circle of Friends for their 15 years of dedication to KAFSC’s mission.

So proud of being a part of Circle of Friends!

With Love,
Hisuh & Jesun Paik
Congratulations to our 2012 Honoree

Circle of Friends

KAFSC appreciates each one of you for being our constant supporter and ambassador for past 15 years.

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From its origins as a grassroots support group to the nationally recognized and funded operation it is today, the Korean American Family Service Center (KAFSC) has evolved to become a leading nonprofit organization that empowers adults and youth to lead safe and healthy lives. The Center is committed to ending domestic violence and relationship abuse through culturally and linguistically appropriate counseling, education and advocacy programs in the New York Tri-State area.

**The Beginning**

In 1989, a handful of Korean American women recognized the unique plight of battered women in their community and decided to take action. Kwianghee Kim, a founding member who is still active with the organization, sold her jewelry to raise money for the Center’s initial costs. The Center started with nothing more than hopes in the basement of a Manhattan church.

In its first years, community volunteers received training to work with battered women, and soon survivors came together to form a peer-support group called the Ottuki Club, which became WISH (Women with Independence, Support and Hope).

In 1991, the New York Women’s Foundation gave KAFSC its first major grant. The money allowed KAFSC to hire employees, and paved the way for grants from the Avon Foundation for Women, Beautiful Foundation, Daphne Foundation, Grace & Mercy Foundation, KACF, Ong Family Foundation and many more.

In 1998 and with funding from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, the Center created the first, bilingual 24-hour crisis hotline in the Tri-State area. KAFSC is currently the only Korean American agency to operate such a hotline for domestic violence victims on the East Coast.

In 1999, KAFSC was honored as one of eight national recipients of the Outstanding Service Award, as presented by U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno at a ceremony in Washington D.C. Taking further steps to emphasize the importance of healing and recovery, the Center changed its Korean name from Gua-Jung Moon-Jae Sang-Dam So (가정해 센터 소) to Gua-Jung Sang-Dam So (가정해 소), dropping “Moon-Jae,” which means “problem.” And to be more accessible to its clients, the Center relocated from Manhattan to Queens in 2000.

**Transitional Housing Program**

In 2003, KAFSC became one of 58 national agencies to receive a $250,000 grant to launch a Transitional Housing Program, the only one of its kind in New York for Korean American women.

Current Board Chairwoman Sarah BJ Sung views the Transitional Housing Program as “an incredible turning point for the Center. Housing is a critical issue for our clients, many of whom are at a breaking point.”
Programs for Children & Youth

KAFSC has developed the Hodori After-School Program, the Youth Community Project Team (YCPIT), the Teen Support Group, and the Uuni-Hyung Mentoring Program (Big sister-Big brother) to provide Korean American youths an avenue to make positive changes in their community and become confident leaders.

HODORI AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Hodori Program offers activities that are culturally relevant to students of all ethnicities in grades one to five. This

and unfortunately, emergency shelters are often full or not culturally sensitive to them."

With this program, KAFSC offers victims and their children an opportunity to recreate a stable family structure and helps them back on the path to independence. Thanks to free legal counseling from KAFSC’s legal partners, plus the Center’s ESOL program and individual tutoring, KAFSC saw our first group of clients safely graduate from the program. Two of the four families obtained immigration status and secured jobs. All of them found safe, permanent housing and are now standing with regained confidence and hope.

Currently, the Transitional Housing units house five families and 11 individuals.

Full and part-time staff members

130

Average number of hotline calls KAFSC receives and responds to each month

157

Children on the waiting list Hodori After-school Program

The Hodori Program focuses on creativity, academics and physical well-being in a positive emotional and social environment. Students are tutored by teachers and have access to certified counselors at no cost.

In March 2013, the Hodori Program Manager Mi-Jung You, a licensed mental-health counselor, received a PAXEsCell Award from the Partnership for After School Education in recognition of her seven years of commitment to the children and youth in the Korean American community.

YOUTH COMMUNITY PROJECT TEAM

YCPIT is a student-operated group of local high-school students dedicated to creating positive changes in the Korean American community. These young volunteers design and conduct their own projects and hone their leadership skills while assisting members of the community with special needs.

Angie Cho, a current YCPIT member, expressed how through YCPIT she experienced changes in herself. “I can now stand in front of my teammates and express my opinions loud and clear. I can be the leader that guides new members, like the leaders before me had done. Without YCPIT, I would not have become the person I am today.” She continues, “I learned that even though I am only one person, when collaborating with others, we become invincible.”

UNNI-HYUNG MENTORING PROGRAM

This “Big Sister-Big Brother” Mentoring Program matches youth ages 10 - 16 with an adult, typically a young professional or college student. Through careful screening of potential mentors, youngsters are matched with caring individuals who serve as both role models and friends.

The Future

These are just a few key achievements in the long, courageous journey of KAFSC.

While much has changed in the last 25 years, KAFSC’s dedication and commitment have remained constant. The Center’s unprecedented success is the direct result of your support and commitment. Thank you for enabling us to continue to raise hope and transform lives.
Volunteer Spotlight

Jung Martha Hong

Occupation: Medical equipment sales
Involvement with KAFSC: Over five years

What is your role as a volunteer?
I am one of the bilingual hotline dispatchers for KAFSC’s 24-hour crisis hotline. I am also a computer instructor in the Center’s Self-Sufficiency program.

How did you get involved with KAFSC?
I found a KAFSC brochure at the post office and my interest was piqued. I had been looking for a place to volunteer so I called and set up an interview.

What is the most challenging part of being a volunteer?
The role of the hotline dispatcher is to ensure the client feels safe enough to give their information over the phone. We are the ones who first meet the connection with the client. If the dispatcher is unable to create that connection, the caller may not call KAFSC again. As I interact with clients, whether it’s in class or on the phone, I have to constantly be aware of the impact I have.

What is the most rewarding for you as a volunteer?
One of the students in my computer class contacted her son, stationed in Iraq, via e-mail for the first time. She was in tears. As a hotline dispatcher, I even had opportunities to accompany clients to advocate on their behalf at a police station and at family court. I admire these clients who’ve found the courage to break the cycle of violence and move forward with life. Knowing that I had a small part to play in their life-changing process is an unforgettable, rewarding experience.

Min C. Chang, Esq
Occupation: Attorney
Involvement with KAFSC: One year

What is your role as a volunteer?
I teach the advanced computer class, which is part of KAFSC’s Self-Sufficiency program.

How did you get involved with KAFSC?
One of my past clients, who was a victim of sexual assault, needed legal assistance as well as counseling and support. I referred her to KAFSC and was extremely impressed with the progress she made in such a short period of time. Through this experience, I gained so much respect and admiration for the important work that KAFSC does. I knew that volunteering my time to this organization was something I wanted to do.

What is the most challenging part of being a volunteer?
The most challenging part is learning how to adjust my schedule to find more time to help.

What is the most rewarding for you as a volunteer?
Realizing there are so many dedicated individuals working toward such a noble and worthwhile cause and the positive results that come from their effort makes the experience one that I will never forget. Also, knowing I am a part of helping these women move one step closer toward achieving their goal of self-sufficiency is truly humbling.
Wilderness

I came to a small town in America with my husband. I was filled with dreams and excited for the future. Unfortunately, my hope did not last long.

After I became pregnant, my husband became increasingly irritable. He would come home drunk and throw objects at me. He made me sleep in a place of honor and I was in constant mental anguish. Our baby was born and I begged him to stop, but he refused me of taking the pain. Finally, I called the police. After reporting the incident, my husband vanished.

Without a single friend or family member in this country, I felt trapped. I lost 20 pounds within 20 days and my breast milk dried up. I spent my days in a haze, contemplating the next life. It was a truly miserable, painful time, but my baby gave me a vague sense of hope.

what I was told over the phone. I barely managed to stay on this job for a month, eating ramen once or twice a week as my sustenance. I almost fell back into despair.

An acquaintance gave me the phone number for the Korean American Family Service Center (KAFSC) and said maybe they could help me. I called the 24-hour crisis hotline and the bilingual social worker I spoke with was Ms. Hee Ok Kim. She was a warm, professional person and truly an oasis for me. She gave me the courage and confidence I needed to take small steps and re-enter this world.

Even while writing this, I find myself pausing because of my tears, but despite the fear and misery I have suffered, I want to let others know about the people at KAFSC who have stood behind me. I want to rise from the pain and share my story:

Coming Home

I’ll never forget the first day I walked into KAFSC. I was a little hesitant and my heart was closed. Ms. Hee Ok Kim ran to me with a smile on her face, and like a child finding comfort in her mother’s arms, I spilled out my deeply rooted hurts in tears.

I finally felt the relief I so desperately needed through the genuine care and respect from the staff at KAFSC. I had found a new home and family, “Chun Jung,” in New York.

The staff provided me with so much emotional and material support. Through the Center’s Transitional Housing program, my child and I found a safe place to live. With constant care, KAFSC helped me away at the trauma that had been carved into my heart and I began once again to dream about my future.

KAFSC became the foundation upon which I rebuilt my life. I faithfully participated in their Self-Sufficiency program, individual counseling and the WISH group, where mothers like myself share experiences and parenting advice. Through KAFSC’s assistance, my child went to a day-care center while I earned a home health aide certification.

My Hope, My Challenge

I will not be misled in my sorrow any longer. Through their love and guidance, the staff at KAFSC became my foundation and gave me the strength to find a place in this country.

Currently, I am studying for several licenses and working in order to ensure a better future for my child and myself. No matter how hard the road, I won’t give up on my dreams.

The word, “thanks,” is too easily thrown around, but this is the first time I feel genuine gratitude rise up from deep inside of me. I am truly grateful to KAFSC. To those who constantly pour out so much love and strength to those in need, I hope you will be touched with God’s endless blessings and live.
The YWCA of Queens Congratulates the Korean American Family Service Center on 23 Years of Raising Hope and Transforming Lives

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**CENTER FOR CHILDREN**
1.1 Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program
1.2 After School Program Pre-K-6th Grade
1.3 After School Program 6th-8th Grade
1.4 Summer Day Camps, Vacation Camps
1.5 Summer Literacy Festival

**CENTER FOR ADULT**
3.1 Adult Education, ESL
3.2 Adult Education, ABE
3.3 Adult Education, GED
3.4 "Women to Work" (WTT)
3.5 Advocacy & Public Health Services

**CENTER FOR ARTS AND CULTURE**
5.1 New York Music Competition
5.2 Enrichment Program
5.21 Handicraft Volunteer Club
5.22 Evergreen Chorale
5.23 Traditional Korean Chorale
5.24 Evergreen Choir
5.25 Advocacy & Public Health Services

**CENTER FOR YOUTH**
2.1 YW Access GED Program
2.2 YW Access Pre-GED Program
2.3 Project C.I.T.Y. (After-School Program)
2.4 Job Readiness & Counselling

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PO KIM, JOHN PAI AND WONSOOK KIM

KAFSC is honored to have among its supporters three prominent Korean contemporary artists: Po Kim, John Pai and Wonsook Kim. We were fortunate to spend time with each of them and learn from their insight about art, what inspires them to keep going and why they help others. KAFSC is privileged to feature their works throughout this Journal.
Po Kim's career as an artist spans more than six decades. Born in Korea in 1919, Po Kim studied art in Tokyo, Japan. He returned to Korea in 1946 to establish the Fine Art Department of Chosun University in Kwangju, Korea. In 1950, he came to the United States and eventually moved to New York City and taught at New York University. In 2000, Po Kim received the Honorary Doctorate Degree of Letters from Chosun University. Trained in the academic style of painting, his work evolved into abstract expressionism in the 50s. As Jeffrey Wexler, Curator of Asian Art at the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum at Rutgers has acknowledged, "Kim's contribution to American abstract expressionism is seen in his strong use of color inspired by Korean traditional art." Po Kim's works have been exhibited internationally in galleries and museums.

KASBC is honored to feature Po Kim’s work on the cover. We also received the rare chance to speak with him about his work, and the artist behind the art.

**KASBC** What first drew you to art?

**PK** Art came to me naturally. I didn’t pursue art for money or status. I just wanted to draw and paint. Painting is simply what I do and lately, I find I want to paint as much as I can.

**KASBC** What has helped keep you going through the highs and lows?

**PK** I went through some terrible times in Korea and Japan. What kept me going was the need and desire to be free and to be able to breathe. And by breathing, I mean (painting) without fear of enforced imprisonment and having to constantly look over my shoulder.

**KASBC** What inspired you to create the cover art?

**PK** This particular picture represents my view on the free spirit. This is my fantasy vision of freedom.

**KASBC** Creating art is like having a child. How do you feel when your art is sold?

**PK** I never thought of my art that way, but it’s kind of true. My wife died last year. Recently I feel her soul is there when I see her artwork. I didn’t feel that way when she was alive.

**KASBC** Tell us about your favorite piece featured in the journal.

**PK** The piece (see Untitled on pg. 34) was not planned—I just started painting and it made me happy. I made it in 1957 and it remains my favorite piece. It depicts freedom for me.

**KASBC** You’ve influenced many people. What advice would you give our readers?

**PK** Everyone needs to dream big. It will bring bigger results. Art is the same. It’s about dreaming something you can’t imagine in the real world.

**KASBC** What do you think about the KASBC?

**PK** Of course we need to help women in trouble. That’s just common sense and the right thing to do.
John Pai was born in Seoul in 1937, and he and his family came to America in 1949. He found himself drawn to art at a young age and held his first solo at the age of 14. In 1954, Pai received a scholarship and later a full-time fellowship for graduate study at Pratt Institute, where he studied sculpture. He taught at both Pratt and the Parsons School of Design, and in 1965, he became chairman of the undergraduate sculpture program at Pratt. Pai has shown his work in Seoul, Paris and New York. His next exhibition will be held in Korea later this year.

John Pai and his wife are a long-time supporters of the KAPSC and we recently had an opportunity to speak with the artist. His work can be seen throughout the journal.
WONSOOK KIM

Born in 1953 in Busan, Korea, Wonsook Kim was lured to art at a very young age. After graduating from Hongik University in Seoul, she earned her B.A. and Masters in Fine Arts from Illinois State University in 1974 and 1975, respectively. In 1985, her lithograph, Full Moon Lady, was commissioned by WFUNA (World Federation of United Nations Associations) to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations. Her works have been exhibited in galleries and museums worldwide. At a symposium on Korean Art and Literature at North Park University, Kim Loene compared Kim’s art to those of Marc Chagall’s stating, “Both artists present a body of work which, in its straight forward pursuit of a type of spiritual humanism seems to have little, or no regard for being au courant with the rest of the art world” and accomplished writer Wonsook’s latest book, 그림은 선물 (Art Gift), is a beautiful collection of thoughts, inspirations and reflections while showcasing her sculpture and paintings. Wonsook is a long-time supporter of KAFSC and we were fortunate to converse with the artists. Her pieces can be seen throughout the Journal.

KAPPC: What attracted you to becoming an artist?
WK: Being an artist is the best job in the world. My art is about life - what I have lived through and happened around me. It’s a by-product, and sometimes, a reinterpretation of life. I have the best time possible when working and enjoy what’s given to the fullest. 
KAPPC: How do you overcome difficult events in life?
WK: When I come across difficult moments, as I wrote in my recent book, I remind myself, “그대, 거짓 말이 아닙니다. (Don’t worry, This is all good food for art)” I try to gain perspective of the situation. If I am so caught up, my view narrows. I need to pull back and look at the bigger picture. It also helps that I’m a habitual optimist.

KAPPC: Please share why your pieces incorporate many images of women.
WK: Women are sensitive but strong. They are insecure but very sure. These concepts come together in my pieces. Some pieces represent a transformation. In order to transform, it’s how you view and overcome. You’re the only one who can see beyond. You have the power to make the change.

KAPPC: You helped countless people for decades. What is your advice to those who want to volunteer?
WK: Over the years, I found that by helping others, I can disappoint myself. There’s so much I want to do, and if I don’t do it, I’m disappointed. But I learned to turn around the view. I have to be selfish and make it about me. There’s less chance for disappointment because the focus is on me, not on others. I always ask, “What makes you a good human being?” and follow the answer.

Painting and Rustling, 1997
Oil on wood, 38 cm x 38 cm

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

KAFC offers a broad range of programs and services for women, men, children and youth, without charge. Our counselors are bilingual and possess a master's degree in social work, counseling or therapy. All cases are kept strictly confidential, and we retain the right to their privacy except as required by law.

ADULT PROGRAMS

24-hour Crisis Hotline 718-460-3300
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Our bilingual hotline offers crisis counseling, safety-planning and emergency shelter placement to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or other personal crisis, at any hour of the day or night. It also provides information, referral, and advocacy.

Individual & Family Counseling
KAFC’s core program is counseling, available to all clients (women, men, children, and youth) and including crisis intervention, and counseling on a short-term or longer-term basis. Our counselors help to address a variety of problems usually triggered by domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, or other personal or family crisis. They involve a broad range of factors including emotional distress, expression, suicide risk, and risk of self-harm. In addition to domestic violence and abuse, issues frequently include divorce, parenting, discipline, inter-generational conflict, poverty, crime, addiction, and bereavement.

Transitional Housing Program
In 2009, KAFC was one of 58 national agencies selected to receive our first federal grant from Department of Justice to launch the only Transitional Housing Program for Korean/Asian women in New York. We provide culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate transitional housing options for immigrant women who need to secure physical safety. We help them overcome many barriers and secure physical, emotional, and financial independence.

Legal and Social Service Advocacy
Domestic violence and sexual abuse survivors learn legal rights and options through free Legal Clinics and on-site consultations provided to attorneys from partner agencies such as Sanctuary for Families and Queens Legal Services. We provide other support including emergency cash and help to access health care and other public benefits, as well as court advocacy and interpretation for orders of protection, child custody, and other legal rights.

Women’s Support Group (WISH)
Women with independence, Support and hope was launched in 2000 for domestic violence survivors to gain self-awareness, confidence and self-reliance. Today it is an anti-abuse support group that includes women from the community all age range. Through a variety of art therapy activities members learn self-expression, communication skills, stress relief, conflict resolution, and self-care. They meet weekly for 12 weeks to share experiences in a creative, safe, non-judgmental environment. Staff provides guidance, encouragement, and resources.

Sexual Assault Intervention
KAFC is the only organization in our community to offer assistance specifically to sexual assault and rape victims. We provide crisis intervention, counseling, court advocacy, support, and referrals to women and girls who have been victimized. Like domestic violence, this issue cuts across all ages and socio-economic strata, and is slowly gaining some awareness in our community although it continues to require extensive education and outreach.

Economic Empowerment
Job readiness skills are provided to clients to gain self-confidence, basic skills, and economic self-sufficiency. A critical skill is English language ability, which is taught by volunteers in class sessions as well as individual tutorial sessions. From time to time we conduct workshops on financial literacy, clerical skills and basic computer skills. We also offer interviewing skills and job referral for clients who are ready to seek employment.

Information and Referral
We handle requests for various types of information beyond our own programs and services, such as immigration and naturalization, access to entitlements, health care, child care, elder care, housing, and how to navigate the complex systems of the city’s public schools and social service agencies. We make referrals to all service providers, including mental health, legal, medical, religious, and social service agencies.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

Hodori Program
The Hodori After School Program operated by KADISE offers a mix of creative, social and academic activities that is culturally relevant and developmentally appropriate to students between the ages of 3rd grade and 8th grade. The program fosters physical well-being, as well as a positive emotional and social environment. Students are tutored by teachers and teachers’ aides. Also students have access to certified counselors who provide therapy and counseling to nurture the students’ emotional and behavioral growth. The program serves all ethnicities and operates out of JHS 189 in Flushing.

The Hodori Program operates Mondays through Fridays from 3:30 to 6:00pm, during the academic school year. It provides opportunities to have educational field trips to cultural events, museums and nature adventures. Individual counseling is available to all students if needed. The small group counseling helps students to improve communication and social skills through discussion and role-play conversations. The monthly parent meetings offer parents a chance to discuss a variety of issues with counselors. Also provided is parental education workshops featuring guest speakers covering a diverse range of topics such as positive discipline, anger management, conflict resolution, sex ed and safety measures in and outside the home.

Youth Community Project Team (YCPT)
YCPT is a student-led and operated group of locals school students dedicated to creating positive changes in the Korean American community. Through weekly discussions and analyses of the community’s needs, these young volunteers determine, design and conduct their own projects and home their learning-building and leadership skills while assisting members of the community with special needs.

Teen Support Group
KAFC provides a supportive environment for young clients ages 12-18 to share their thoughts and feelings on topics such as identity, peer and family relationships, dating violence, school and personal and life goals. With guidance from a counselor and support and encouragement from each other, they view KAFC as a positive and safe place to overcome their struggles through discussions, games and field trips. Counselors use facilitation techniques to help teens speak openly, develop self-awareness, empathy for others, and improve their social and conflict resolution skills.

Unni - Hyeung Mentoring Program
This “big sister-brother” program matches young clients ages 7-18 with an adult (typically a young professional or older college student) who provides friendship and guidance. Through careful recruitment and screening of potential mentors, youngsters are matched with caring individuals who serve as both friend and role model. These positive relationships enable the mentors to help their little brothers and sisters to broaden their interests, cope with identity issues, build self-esteem, and develop social and career goals.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Volunteer Training
Twice a year an intensive 6-week training course prepares bilingual volunteers for work on the 24-hour hotline. Training topics include the nature and incidence of domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, child abuse, and other related issues. Volunteers learn techniques for crisis intervention and counseling, and details about community resources on a regular basis. When on hotline duty volunteers are backed up by a staff counselor. When not covering the hotline, these volunteers provide valuable help and advocacy to clients in court, hospitals, schools, and social service agencies.

Silent March Against Domestic Violence
Every year during Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October), KAFC organizes a silent march in partnership with local police, churches, various sister agencies and other community-based organizations to raise awareness about domestic violence and advance the cause of social justice for its victims. Participants march in silence through the streets of Flushing protected by police escorts, honoring the many lives lost to domestic violence and reaffirming our commitment to its eradication.

Community Education and Outreach
Our education and outreach consist of community workshops, speaking at local events, appearing on radio and TV, and regular articles in the Korean press. We visit schools, churches, hospitals, police stations, and other nonprofit and civic organizations. Subjects cover a broad range including parenting skills, communication skills, education, dating relationships, abuse management, conflict resolution, sexuality, family dynamics, and other topical issues, as well as information on our programs and services. All our workshops are free and open to the public.

23rd Annual Benefit Gala

40th Annual Benefit Gala
FY 2011 Operating Revenue

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<td>Total support and revenue</td>
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FY 2011 Operating Expenses

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OCTOBER 2010 – SEPTEMBER 2011

44.1%
22.4%
18.5%
13.6%
1.1%

Government Fees and Grants
Other Income
Foundations/Corporations
Special Events, net of expenses
Individuals/Churches
In-Kind Contributions

86.1%
4.5%
9.4%

Program Services
Fundraising
Administrative and general
Change in Net Assets
Net Assets at beginning of year
Net Assets at end of year

FY2011 | FY 2010 | FY 2009 | FY 2008
------ | ------- | ------- | -------
Change in Net Assets | $ 314,700 | $ 194,233 | $ 116,179 | $ 15,377
Net Assets at beginning of year | $ 730,427 | $ 548,594 | $ 519,015 | $ 52,938
Net Assets at end of year | $ 1,045,127 | $ 742,827 | $ 638,330 | $ 108,015
**FY 2011 STATISTICS**

**Number of Clients Served by KAFSC**

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<th>Year</th>
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<td>2005</td>
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<td>2,503</td>
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**Non-DV/SA Cases**

- Mental Health & Other Health Problem (174) - 29%
- Financial/Housing (71) - 22%
- Drug/Alcohol Problem (15) - 6%
- Gambling Problem (1) - 5%
- Immigration Issues (28) - 11%
- Marital Problem (35) - 12%
- Dispute Conflict Problem (56) - 13%
- Children & Youth Program
  - Head Start Program Participants (Average Attendance): 89 - 133 - 143
  - Group Parenting Participants & Group Parenting Programs Held: 230 - 270 - 237
  - Summer Camp: Participants Through the Fresh Air Fund: 79 - 79 - 53
  - YCFT Members: Average Retention Rate: 88% - 86% - 60%

**Domestic Violence & Victim Services**

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Hotline Calls</th>
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<th>WISH Program Participants</th>
<th>Self-Sufficiency: English Class</th>
<th>Self-Sufficiency: Computer Class</th>
<th>Legal Clinic: Individual Participants</th>
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<td>FY2011</td>
<td>1,754</td>
<td>813</td>
<td>1,370 (75%)</td>
<td>276 (23%)</td>
<td>139</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>2,140</td>
<td>1,326</td>
<td>809</td>
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<td>FY2010</td>
<td>1,609</td>
<td>604 (57%)</td>
<td>804 (75%)</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>NA</td>
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<td>1,910</td>
<td>1,567</td>
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<td>FY2009</td>
<td>818</td>
<td>630 (75%)</td>
<td>250 (25%)</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1,576</td>
<td>1,346</td>
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Winsook Kim, Accent, 2009.  
Mixed media on canvas, 76 cm x 81 cm.

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