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Dear Charter,

Part of being a community is recognizing when members are hurt, threatened, or in need. This weekend's shooting and murder in Monterey Park is devastating and reminds us that Asian American and Pacific Islanders are targets of racially motivated hate crimes.

Of course, while crafting this message we learned about the tragic and devastating events in Half Moon Bay and Oakland.

I want to echo Grace's message of reaching out as well as self care and reshared her resources below.

We need to come together as a community and support one another. The people in Monterey Park were gathered in celebration of the Lunar New Year, a joyous holiday. We were lucky to have many parents on campus last week to help teach our learners more about this holiday and its significance.

It can feel overwhelming to know what to do. Perhaps, first, is to recognize that there is no one thing to do. But, we do need to honor those in our community most directly impacted, reach out and say we are here for you and find ways to combat racism and hate in all of its forms. All of this violence, hate, and death is taking its toll. If people are interested in gathering in action, let us reach out to one other.

If you are interested in reading or doing more there are some useful resources listed below. Please share with the Anti-Racist Anti-Bias working group any additional resources you think may help.

With love and in solidarity,

The SCC Antiracist Antibias working group

Community Support for Asian American Pacific Islanders [Stop AAPI Hate](#)

[San Mateo County web page](#) with resources to support families and children's social and emotional needs.

[Asian American and Pacific Islander Resource Library](#)

From Grace:

[Asian Mental Health Collective](#) (includes a therapist directory)

[Asian Mental Health Project](#)