2021 Betty Lee Sung Research Endowment Fund

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Extended Submission Deadline: Wednesday, September 10, 2021

The fund is intended to support the research by providing funds for a research assistant, copywriter, research travel, acquisition or access to research material and similar costs so that the researcher can complete the project.

2021 Topic: The first research grant will be for a project on the transnational adoption of Chinese children into American families that explores questions related to identity and belonging. As of 2019, there have been over 82,450 Chinese adoptees (according to the U.S. State Department) to the United States, mostly abandoned female infants, under China's one-child family policy. Project Goal: To better understand how Chinese American adoptees articulate their identity and attachment to their Chinese heritage (both cultural and identity), while paying attention to whether they inter-married and if their own mixed heritage children maintain attachment to a Chinese identity.

Submissions for this year's research grant are for projects that are near completion within *three to six months* (Dec 2021/Jan 2022). The amount awarded will range from $1,500 to $3,000. In addition to the award, recipient agrees to the following:

- Acknowledge the Betty Lee Sung Research Endowment Fund and Asian American / Asian Research Institute – City University New York in all versions of the finished work/research/article/book.
- Present their work at an upcoming lecture/conference/workshop at the Asian American / Asian Research Institute in-person/online.
- Allow or obtain permission for the Asian American / Asian Research Institute to feature an excerpt of recipient's work/research/research/article/book for the Institute's academic journal, CUNY FORUM: Asian American / Asian Studies, with all appropriate copyright/acknowledgement to the recipient.

Proposals should be sent to info@aaari.info, with subject header:
2021 Betty Lee Sung Research Proposal

Project Title: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____

City:_____ State: _____ Zip-code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

College/Affiliation: _____ Title _____

- Provide 500-word description of your project and detailed budget on what your requested funds will be used for.
- Include relevant backup documentation/materials on work completed to date on the project.