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Subject: EM: Event THIS FRI 11/17: Intro to Community Organizing w/ J-Town Action & Solidarity

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Pomona [AARC](#) (Asian American Resource Center)'s First-Gen, Low-Income Program (FLIP) invites **ALL** 7C students, faculty, and staff to join our event this week:

Introduction to Community Organizing with J-Town Action & Solidarity

Everyone is welcome! An open learning space for people who are curious about getting involved with mutual aid in their community, with no previous experience necessary. (Masks Required)

When: **This Friday, November 17th, 4:15-5:15 p.m.**

Where: **Asian American Resource Center** (Pomona, 2nd floor Smith Campus Center)

RSVP: bit.ly/AARCJTown

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Who: Started in February 2021, J-Town Action & Solidarity (Instagram: @[jtownaction](#)) is a grassroots collective dedicated to revolutionary organizing, building community power, fighting gentrification, and developing working-class consciousness in Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. Rooted in a history of activism and community care, their work includes weekly sweep defense and mutual aid *Power Up*-in which they distribute electricity, hot meals, snacks, PPE, and harm reduction supplies to unhoused residents of Little Tokyo.

Here are some sample questions we will go over:

- What advice do you have for people who are interested in organizing but are intimidated by it/don't know how to incorporate it into their lives yet?
- How do you balance organizing with your work & personal lives?
- Having many responsibilities where it may feel like you don't have time to rest for yourself, how do you find the time to organize?
- What was your upbringing like?
- Do you have mentors/social support that have helped you learn?
- What have your experiences been like with mutual aid vs. the nonprofit industrial complex?
- What does the care work/disability work that goes on behind the scenes look like?

This event is co-sponsored by the First-Gen, Low-Income Program at the Pomona Asian American Resource Center, the Pitzer Center for Asian Pacific American Students, the Pitzer Pasifika Asian Student Union, the Vietnamese Student Association, and the Intercollegiate Department of American Studies.



Introduction to Community Organizing



J-Town Action & Solidarity
(Instagram: [@jtownaction](https://www.instagram.com/@jtownaction))



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