With great exhilaration and pride, we want to share that Former Executive Director of SAN, Manjusha Kulkarni, has been selected as one of five recipients of the Bank of America: Neighborhood Builders Racial Equality Award. A new addition to Bank of America’s signature philanthropic program, this award honors individual leaders who have extensively contributed to fighting systemic racial barriers for the Black, Hispanic-Latino, Asian American, and Native American people nationwide. The awardees serve as catalysts within their communities in advancing racial equality and economic opportunity!

What’s more, with the opportunity to direct $200,000 in flexible funding to a nonprofit that is doing impactful work to advance racial equality, Manju has graciously decided to direct these funds to SAN! We are inspired by this gesture, which only reinforces our long-standing commitment to combat racial inequality.

Here's more information on South Asian Network being a Neighborhood Builder for Bank of America.

SAN's FIRST SATELLITE OFFICE!
We are expanding geographically and are so pleased to announce the launch of our satellite office in Orange County! This will help us to better meet the needs of our community members living in and around Orange County. Call us on 562-403-0488 to set up your appointment.

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**HOW SAN HELPS: A FIRST-HAND ACCOUNT**

As part of our core services, SAN assists U.S. permanent residents to apply for their citizenship. Voting, bringing families together, employment opportunities, public benefits and better opportunities are some reasons we encourage our community members to become U.S. citizens. There is no better time than now to apply for U.S. citizenship and participate in this year’s election. Call us on 562-403-0488 & ask for Shakuntala Chugani (ext. 108)

To ensure that language barriers don't stop our community members, and to help them with a seamless interviewing experience for their U.S. citizenship, we also offer ESL/Civics classes for those who are not fully proficient in reading, writing and speaking English. We strongly encourage you, or anyone you know that might benefit from this to fill out this form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe8Sdzs_hhB9oJLJUnY1L1pjzZ448t4rdwFVToNSIFo0jEpQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe8Sdzs_hhB9oJLJUnY1L1pjzZ448t4rdwFVToNSIFo0jEpQ/viewform)

Here’s what a recent client of our Citizenship Unit experienced:

“SAN is very helpful for people like us. My sister and I came to their office and they helped us a lot. I got my citizenship last year and recommended my sister to do the same. The atmosphere is good and the staff is very friendly; they treat you like family. I will definitely recommend SAN to people who
want to become U.S. citizens. 5-star performance!”

- Jenny Diga

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**A RECAP OF WHAT WE’VE BEEN UP TO..**

- **Mar 11** - Food distribution for low-income families
- **Mar 14** - Round 2 of Parenting Workshop for Parents of children under 18 years old at the SAN Office
- **Mar 17** - Outreach at Payne Steam Academy’s PTA, Inglewood, CA
- **Mar 22** - Mental Health Workshop at Sanatan Dharma Mandir, Norwalk, CA
- **Mar 23** - Mental Health Workshop at Adult Day Healthcare Center, Norwalk, CA

**AND A LIST OF WHAT’S COMING NEXT!**

- **Mar 25** - Outreach Tabling at Islamic Center of Santa Ana & Cypress
- **Mar 25** - Food distribution for low-income families
- **Mar 26** - Outreach Tabling at BUFLA Bangladesh Independence Day Parade & Festival
- **Apr 4** - Older Adult Group Workshop at the SAN Office

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We would love to hear from you in case of any feedback, suggestions, or even if you want to volunteer with us!
From all of us here at SAN,

Namaste, Khuda Hafiz, Take Care!

Say Hi virtually!

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