



Many Ways to Make a Difference

Every survivor's journey is made possible by people who choose to show up.

Some lend their expertise. Some give their time. Others make a financial gift, invite a friend to an event, or simply share our mission with someone who needs to hear it. However people choose to get involved, each act of generosity helps create safer, stronger communities for survivors of domestic violence and their families.

At ATASK, we often hear the question, "How can I help?"

The answer is simple: there are many ways to make a difference, and each one matters.

Over the past few months, we've seen this in action. Team ATASK paddled at the Boston Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival, raising \$10,000 to support survivor services. Ambassador volunteers introduced new communities to our mission at outreach events across Massachusetts. Corporate partners hosted Lunch & Learns and organized donation drives for survivors and their children. Local businesses sponsored fundraisers and contributed auction items, while donors invested in the long-term sustainability of our work. And every day, our staff continues providing free, confidential, culturally responsive services that support hundreds of survivors and their families.

Each contribution looks different, but together they make our work possible.

This month, we're highlighting the many ways people make a difference at ATASK, and sharing opportunities for you to get involved. Whether you volunteer, attend an event, make a gift, share your expertise, or introduce someone to ATASK, every act of support helps ensure survivors never have to face their journey alone.



ATASK at the AAPI 5K



Tabling at Museum of Science



Team ATASK at the Dragon Boat Festival

Leading Through Service

Strong organizations are built by people willing to lead. ATASK's volunteer Board of Directors provides strategic guidance, strengthens community partnerships, and helps ensure our organization can continue serving survivors for years to come.

We're delighted to welcome two new members to our Board of Directors.



Peng Meng Kou, Director of Business Development at Hengrui USA, was deeply moved by the survivor stories shared at last year's Silk Road Gala and has been inspired by ATASK's mission ever since. She joins the Board with a passion for helping expand ATASK's impact across our communities.



Rahnuma Wahid, Program Leader, Infectious Disease at Moderna, brings a deep commitment to equity and inclusion, believing that safety, dignity, and opportunity should never be limited by language, culture, or circumstance. She is honored to support ATASK's mission of empowering survivors and strengthening families and communities.

We are grateful to Peng Meng and Rahnuma for sharing their leadership, expertise, and passion with ATASK. Please join us in welcoming them to the Board.

Recognizing Leadership

Every day, ATASK staff walk alongside survivors during some of the most difficult moments of their lives. Much of this work happens quietly, but we are proud to celebrate four members of our team who have recently been recognized for their leadership, dedication, and service.



Abeer Massri, Managing Attorney, was appointed by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court to serve on the Massachusetts Access to Justice



Dawn Sauma, Co-Executive Director, received the Gerard D. Downing Leadership Award from the Massachusetts Office for Victim

Commission, reflecting her leadership in expanding access to justice for survivors and immigrant communities.



Rukmini Karki, Senior South Asian Advocate, was recognized as a 2026 "Shero" by the Nepali Women's Global Network for her leadership in advocating to end domestic violence and her longstanding commitment to advancing women in her community.

Assistance (MOVA) in recognition of her unwavering commitment to advancing the rights of crime victims.



Victoria Bruce, Shelter Manager, received the Saheli Justice Impact Award in recognition of her steadfast leadership and dedication in supporting survivors through complex legal, housing, and safety challenges.

These recognitions reflect not only their individual accomplishments but also the commitment, expertise and compassion our team brings to their work every day.

Please join us in congratulating them on these well-deserved honors.

Join the Movement

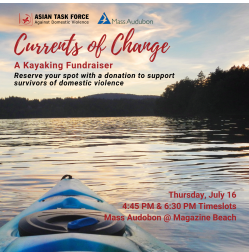
Looking for a meaningful way to get involved? Every event below benefits ATASK and helps ensure Asian survivors and their families have access to safety, support, and hope. Join us to build community, have fun, and make a difference.



Hands of Hope: Upcycled Origami Vase Workshop on Thursday, July 9

Turn recycled magazine pages into a beautiful, handcrafted vase while supporting survivors and their families. During this guided workshop, you'll learn 3D origami techniques and connect with others through creativity and community. No experience is necessary.

[Register Today](#)



Currents of Change: A Kayaking Fundraiser on Thursday, July 16

Spend an evening on the Charles River while helping create safer futures for survivors. Guided by experienced instructors, participants will paddle through one of Boston's most scenic waterways while learning about the area's wildlife, history, and changing landscape.

Space is limited, so reserve your kayak early.

[Reserve Your Kayak](#)



Silk Road Gala on Saturday, September 19

Our annual Silk Road Gala is more than a fundraiser. It's a celebration of resilience, community, and hope. Join supporters, partners, and friends for an inspiring evening as we honor survivor strength and raise critical funds to ensure Asian survivors and their families have access to safety and support.

Whether you attend as a guest, become a sponsor, or invite friends to join you, your participation helps make our work possible.

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