

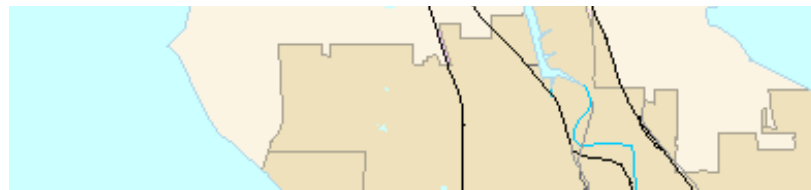
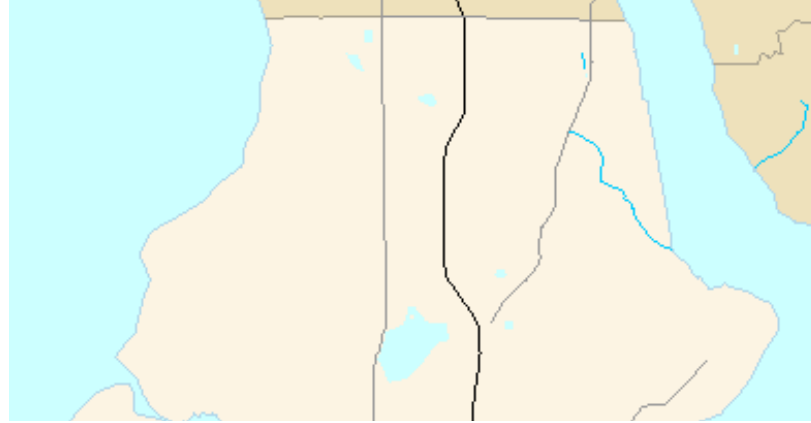


CULTURAL FOOD ASSETS

Chinatown International District
Seattle, WA

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International District Preservation and
Development Authority (SCIDpda)

Context



CID Numbers

Measure	CID	Seattle
AGE	21.4% age 65+	10.7% age 65+
RACE	82.5% POC	30.5% POC
LANGUAGE	62.7% speak language other than English at home	22.1%
HOME OWNERSHIP	5.3%	47.3%
INCOME	\$13,389 median household income	\$63,470
POVERTY RATE	34%	13.2%

Definitions

Food assets are resources, facilities, services or spaces which are used to support the local food system

Cultural food assets are businesses and services that provide a similar, if not identical function as food assets. Cultural food assets extend beyond the role of food assets by providing spaces that support the maintenance and transmission of culture.



Community Action Project

reach out

research questions

Interview + record

photoshoot

transcriptions

select quotes

zine!







Themes

The concentration and mix of Asian Pacific Islander American food-based businesses is important to sustaining a vibrant and economic environment and cultural experience.

Small businesses, such as restaurants, are vital spaces where community is built, maintained, and strengthened.

Cultural food assets provide a sense of home and familiarity for AAPI immigrants and refugees across the Puget Sound region.

Getting a small business up and running is time consuming and costly. Language barriers contribute an additional challenge for immigrant and refugee small businesses.

Recommendations

Support local nonprofits that are already doing the culturally appropriate technical assistance work with low income Asian Pacific Islander American businesses.

Identify additional resources for commercial tenant improvement.

Identify incentives for new development to support commercial affordability.

Encourage cities and states to explore commercial affordability mechanisms and what that looks like for them.





What's next

Gather additional stories.

- residents
- more small businesses
- crowdsource stories
- multiple languages?

Publish and distribute.

- online
- printed