

Asian Canadian Women's Alliance Statement on Atlanta Shootings

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Toronto-based Asian Canadian Women's Alliance (ACWA) condemns the murders of eight people in Atlanta, including six Asian women. ACWA considers the shooting rampage a direct result of the former president's racist comments during the Covid pandemic.

Anti-Asian hate crimes have spiked in Canada at a higher per capita rate than the US. In Vancouver, such incidents nearly doubled in 2020 over 2019.

Women, the elderly, and the most marginalized segments of the community are disproportionately targeted, according to a September 2020 report conducted by the Chinese Canadian National Council, Toronto Chapter and Project 1907, Vancouver.

ACWA extends our condolences to the victims' families. We urge Canadian authorities to be vigilant about the continuing violence against Asian Canadians.

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