

Mary A. Faustino

Mary A. Faustino has more than thirty years experience in the corporate sector in accounting, and as a controller of a manufacturing company. Her community service began in 1985 when she assisted as secretary to the League of United Veterans for Better Government, and treasurer for the first Asian American to run for Philadelphia City Council, Nicholas (Nick) Wong. Soon after, she began her Asian community service as Co-chairman and Treasurer of the National Pan Asian Business Conference held in Philadelphia in the early 90's, and treasurer of the newly formed Asian American Women's Coalition which was founded by Cecilia Moy Yep and Judge Ida K. Chen. Mary was a member of the Philadelphia Commission on Asian Pacific Affairs under the Goode and Rendell administration. Mary started as a special assistant for Senator Rick Santorum in May 1999, and today, serves as Director of Constituent Services for the Philadelphia office, with her co-workers, assisting constituents with their issues with federal agencies, and other state and local agencies. Included in her responsibilities is to manage outreach for the concerns and issues of the Asian American community, senior citizens, and other ethnic groups.

Mary is active on the Board of Directors of: Asian American Women's Coalition, Friends of AAPIP (Asian Americans Pacific-Islanders in Philanthropy), Christopher Columbus Charter School, the Cambodian Association, 413 Hope Mission Ministries, Inc., Methodist Hospital Foundation, FANHS Filipino American National History Society, Philadelphia, Caring People Alliance (formerly Crime Prevention Association), Treasurer of the Asian Chapter of AARP Delaware Valley, member of the US-EEOC Philadelphia Asian American Committee on Employment Discrimination, and member of Parish Council of St. Thomas Aquinas Church in South Philadelphia. Mary is the recipient of the Community Service Award in May 2005 from the Pan Asian Association of Greater Philadelphia, and also the Honor Roll of Pioneers from the National Black Republicans Association of Washington DC in February 2006. She was also honored in 1998 by the Susan B. Komen organization for her community service as a breast cancer survivor. Mary is a graduate of John W. Hallahan Girls' High School, and has an associate degree in accounting from St. Joseph's University and a certificate in Event/Meeting Planning from Temple University. She resides in South Philadelphia, with her two nephews.

Mary looked forward to 2006, in which her three main projects were: Banquet Chairperson for the Asian American Heritage Banquet for the Pan Asian Association of Greater Philadelphia in May, a mural project for the Filipino American community of Philadelphia, and an annual Holiday Party hosted by the Asian American Women's Coalition for low-income Asian children which she has chaired and raises funds for the last 17 years.