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Linda Lee

Linda Lee is Executive Director of Korean Community Services (KCS) of Metropolitan New York, Inc., founded in 1973 as New York's first community-based, multi-social service organization focused on the Korean community.

Korean Community Services' mission is to be a bridge for Korean immigrants and the wider Asian community to fully integrate into American society and overcome any economic, health and social barriers so that they can become independent and thriving members of the community. The organization accomplishes this mission by providing culturally competent programs in the areas of aging, education, immigration, workforce development, public health, and mental health.

Under Ms. Lee's leadership, Korean Community Services has been named a "Champion of Change" by the White House in 2014 for its work regarding the Affordable Care Act. In addition, in 2015, Korean Community Services opened a New York State licensed Article 31 mental health clinic to serve the mental health needs of the Korean-American community. Ms. Lee has increased KCS' profile by creating dynamic partnerships with policy-makers, other organizations, coalitions, and city and statewide government agencies while strengthening KCS' internal structure and operations.

Prior to her position at KCS, Ms. Lee worked in operations and administration for the New York State Health Foundation and as a social work intern in the North Shore/Long Island Jewish Health System. She currently serves on Community Board 11, and is a board member of NAMI NYC-Metro.

Ms. Lee received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Barnard College and her Master of Social Work from Columbia University.

***Linda Lee was selected as a
2019 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Toby Ann Stavisky.***

