

FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

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"Those who fail to look back to where they came from will not reach where they're going."

José Rizal, National Hero of the Philippines

Filipino Contributions to U.S.



IN WWII, OVER 250,000 FILIPINOS SERVED IN THE US ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST UNDER GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR (LEFT).

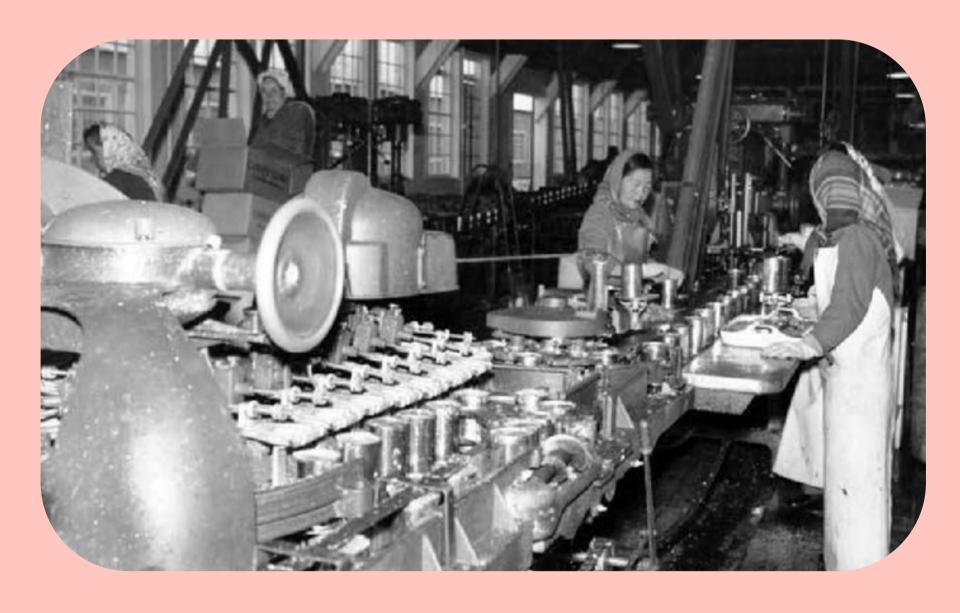


LARRY ITLIONG (CENTER) ORGANIZED
A CANNERY WORKERS' UNION IN
ALASKA AND PURSUADED CEASAR
CHAVEZ (RIGHT) TO START THE
DELANO GRAPE STRIKE OF 1965.



MORE THAN 150,000 FILIPINO NURSES HAVE EMIGRATED TO AMERICA, STRENGTHENING LABOR SHORTAGES IN THE HEALTH CARE SECTOR.

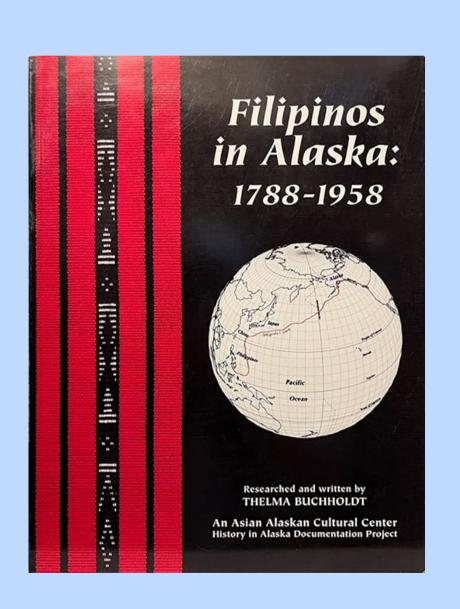
Filipinos in Alaska



Filipinos are the immigrant group in Alaska, with over 27,000 Filipinos residing in the state.

Since 1788, Filipinos have been in Alaska through all walks of life: whaling crewmembers, cannery workers, community and religious leaders, small business owners, teacher, and more.

Filipino American History Month



- Recognized in 1992 by the Filipino
 American Historical Society to celebrate
 Filipino history in the United States
- Recognized in Congress in 2009
- FAHM has been recognized by the California State Legislature and Hawaii State Legislature