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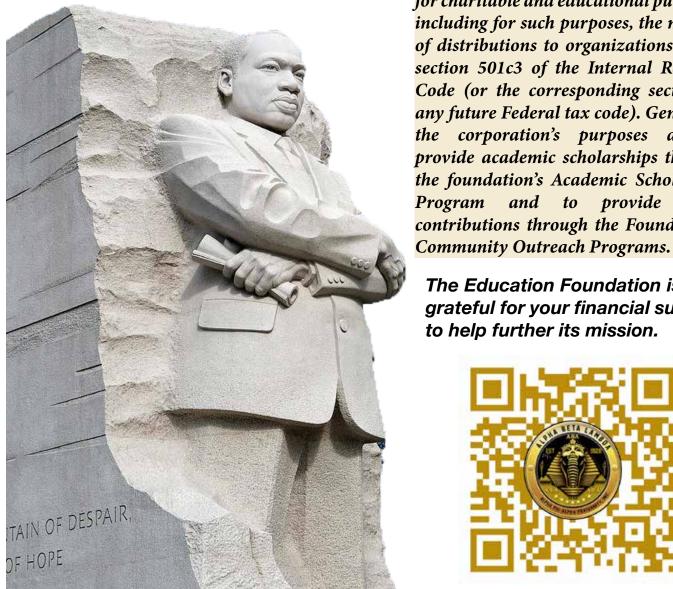


COMMEMORATION

L commemorate the life and work of Dr. community. The breakfast supports the Alpha Martin Luther King, Jr. and his ideals for peace Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation's and unity. The breakfast initiates the King Day commemoration, heightens community awareness and informs the community about Dr. King, his work, his dream and his legacy. The breakfast instills in the hearts and minds of the people of our community that we can live, work, play and grow together in harmony. The breakfast involves individuals from all walks of life as guest speakers and program participants

The Purpose of the Unity Breakfast is to and is open to every diverse segment of this many community outreach programs and allows the foundation to acknowledge the individuals and organizations who promote unity within our community.

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The Education Foundation is very grateful for your financial support to help further its mission.



AФA Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter

| PRELUDE | |
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| BREAKFAST IS S | ERVED |
| 6:30 AM TO 7:3 INTRODUCTION OF GUEST EMCEE | MR. MARIO J. RADFORD |
| INVOCATION | REVEREND ALEX KINCHEN PASTOR, THE GATHERING PLACE |
| CALL FOR THE OCCASION | "UNITY LIGHTING CEREMONY" MS. KALEAH C. STEEDE, MISS EPSILON CHI |
| MUSIC "LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SI | NG" MR. LUX LEVERETTE 8TH GRADE, VERITAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY |
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| | MS. TRINITY CARDELL MISS BLACK AND GOLD, EPSILON CHI CHAPTER |
| MUSIC "LET THERE BE PEACE" BY: JILL JACKSON MILLER AND SY | MS. MARISOL ENDICOTT-ZAVOS MILLER STUDENT, LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL |
| GREETINGS | THE HONORABLE LINDA GORTON, MAYOR LEXINGTON FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT |
| | THE HONORABLE ANDY BESHEAR, GOVERNOR COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY |
| UNITY AWARDS PRESENTATION ALI | DR. CHARLES HOLLOWAY, CHAIRMAN PHA BETA LAMBDA CHAPTER EDUCATION FOUNDATION |
| ESSAY PRESENTATION | READING BY ESSAY WINNER |
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| MUSIC "HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW" BY: CHARLES HUTCHINSON GABRIEL ARRANGE | |
| REMARKS / ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS | MR. MARIO J. RADFORD, CHAIRMAN UNITY COMMITTEE |
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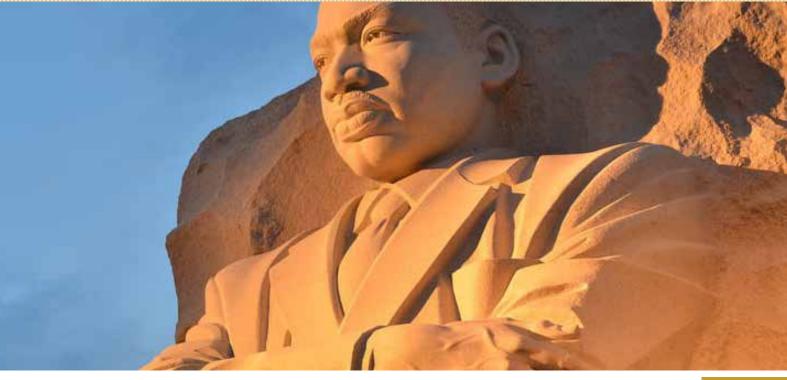
By: James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring Ring with the harmonies of Liberty; let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us, sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.

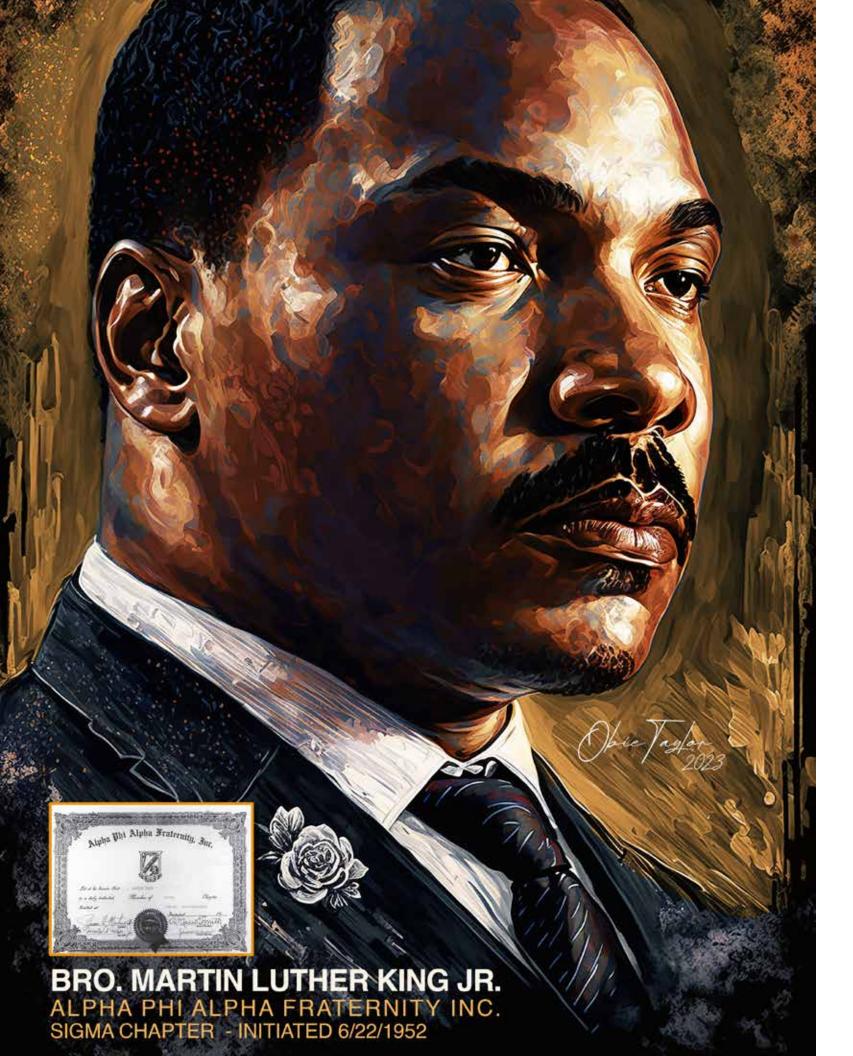
Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod, felt in the day that hope unborn had died; yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet, come to the place on with our fathers sighed? we have come over a way that with tears has been watered, we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered, out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the white gleam of our star is cast.



God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
thou who has by thy might,
led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray
lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee,
lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee, shadowed beneath the hand, may we forever stand, true to our God, True to our native land.



UNITY -- A CHALLENGE IN THESE TROUBLED TIMES



MY A Litany of Commemoration of The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. JANUARY 15, 1929 - APRIL 4, 1968 PEOPLE G077

LEADER: In the grand order of the universe, our Lord God wisely has chosen men and women to serve Him in each era. Such a servant of our Lord God was Martin Luther King, Jr., whose birth we now commemorate. We are thankful for the life of this 20th Century prophet of freedom, who joined the prophets of history in the

CONGREGATION: In the name of freedom, let my people go.

LEADER: Martin Luther King, Jr. envisioned the ultimate freedom: the freedom achieved in struggle; the freedom reached in brotherhood; the freedom fired by the dream of a man; the freedom inspired by the lot of a people; the freedom free of hate; the freedom full of love.

CONGREGATION: In the name of this freedom of love, let my people

LEADER: He came into our lives when the yearning of people to be free had turned their attention to justice. For justice, and only justice, we shall follow, that we may live and inherit the land which the Lord our God gives us.

CONGREGATION: In the name of justice, let my people go.

LEADER: He reminded us that the spirit of man soars from depths of despair with the strength and belief in the promise of the Creator of the universe. We know and we testify: The Lord loves justice: He will not forsake His

CONGREGATION: In the name of the Lord, let my people go.

LEADER: And so he set off with us on a journey for justice. It was a journey proclaiming the words of the ancient prophet, Amos: "Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like a mighty stream." It was a journey calling forth modern ministries of Christians and Jews-to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to set at liberty those who are oppressed.

CONGREGATION: In the name of the prophet Amos, and in the name of suffering people, let my people

LEADER: The journey went to Montgomery, to affirm human dignity and courage; to Birmingham, to defeat the sickness of separating human life; to Selma, to ensure the equality of people in human affairs; to a hundred nameless communities, to remove painful shackles of oppression and light joyous torches of liberty.

CONGREGATION: In the name of this journey toward freedom, let my people go.

LEADER: When war was encountered, the leader of this journey sang with the people: "Ain't gonna' study war no more." When violence was met, he spurned it and said: "Hate is too great a burden to bear."

CONGREGATION: In the name of peace and love, let my people go. **LEADER:** And even when death was confronted, as the journey reached Memphis, he could say in final triumph, that in life he had found something worth dying for, something worth life itself-the Promised Land, a land of freedom and justice.

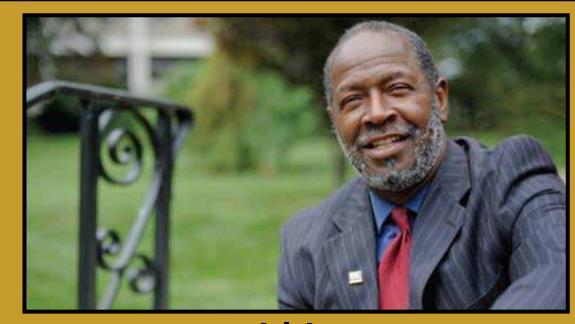
CONGREGATION: In the name of the Promised Land, let my people

LEADER: So we are thankful that the Spirit of the Lord anointed a man who preached good news to the poor, who rejected segregation and embraced liberation, who prophesied the greatness of his people in the struggle for the deliverance of all people.

CONGREGATION: In the name of the Spirit of the Lord, let my people

LEADER: We praise the Lord God for sending us a man of peace who resisted tyranny, a man of non violence who fought for liberty, a man of God who worked for people. Thank You Lord, for Martin Luther King, Jr. who inspired us with his dream, who walked into our lives and our hearts with his marches for justice, who demanded freedom with great courage in the face of grave danger, and who has now passed on into Your Promised Land. Thank You for his noble legacy to continue the journey to that land here on earth, in life for all people. Thank You, God; You have sent us one who now causes us to

ALL: In the name of Martin Luther King, Jr., let my people go.



AΦA ALPHA SALUTES Emmett "Buzz" Burnam

"A Legacy of Leadership, Diversity, and Service"



Emmett "Buzz" Burnam, a dedicated advocate for diversity, education, and community empowerment, retired in October 2020 after an extraordinary 42-year career at the University of Kentucky. Burnam's journey with UK began in 1969 as a student-athlete, where he shined on the football field and exemplified discipline and leadership. However, his most enduring contributions came through his transformative role in the Office of Enrollment Management as the Director for Diversity Undergraduate Student Recruitment. There, Burnam spearheaded the innovative "Come See Blue for Yourself" initiative, a program that revolutionized diversity recruitment. His efforts resulted in a remarkable increase in enrollment, growing from just 300 students in 1992 to more than 5,479 by 2017.

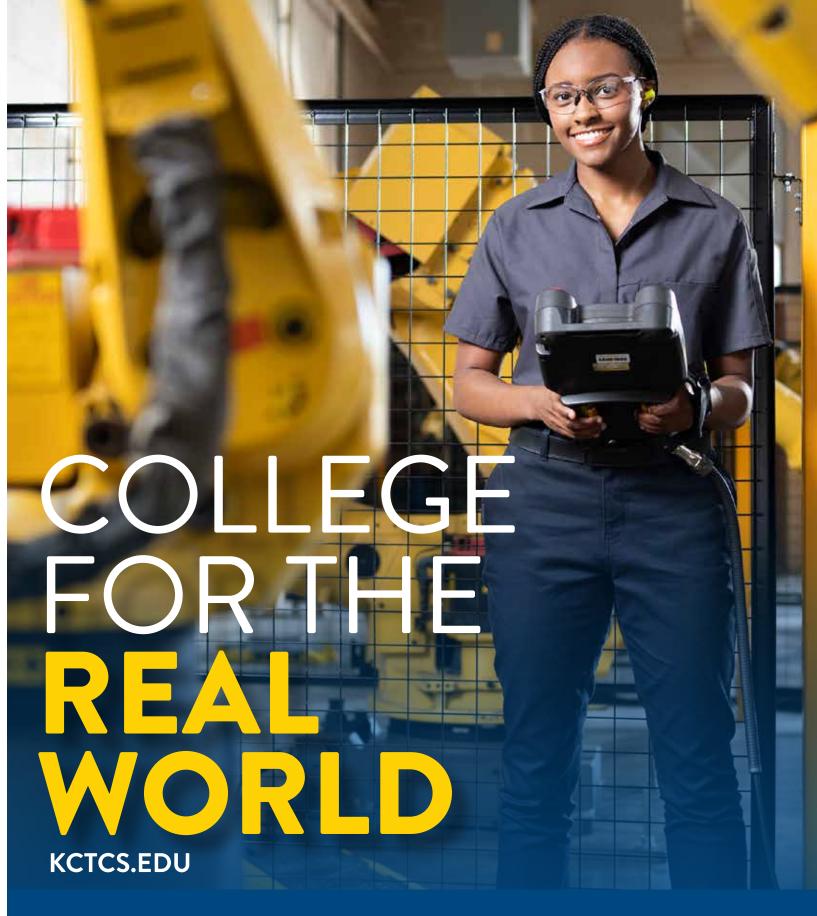
Burnam's influence extended well

beyond student recruitment. He cofounded the UK Boxing Team, fostering athletic opportunities and camaraderie, and served as President of the Lyman T. Johnson Alumni Constituency Group, where he tirelessly worked to advance equity and representation for alumni. Over his career, Burnam received numerous accolades, including the YMCA's Black Adult Achiever Award, the Distinguished Service Award from the UK Alumni Association, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Achievement Award, all of which celebrate his unwavering commitment to improving lives through education and advocacy.

A native of Winchester, Kentucky, Burnam holds the distinction of being the first athlete from his hometown to earn a full athletic scholarship to the University of Kentucky, setting a precedent for others to follow. His personal life reflects the same values he

upheld in his professional career. He is married to June Fox Burnam and is the proud father of five children, including Dr. Jenawik Burnam Marcum, a graduate of the UK Medical School. Guided by his faith as a born-again Christian, Burnam's life has been defined by service, compassion, and a relentless drive to create opportunities for others.

Throughout his career, Burnam has left an indelible mark on the University of Kentucky and the broader community. His passion for fostering diversity, championing education, and empowering individuals has inspired countless others to pursue equity and excellence. Emmett "Buzz" Burnam's remarkable legacy serves as a powerful reminder of the enduring impact of faith-driven leadership, determination, and the transformative power of education.









AΦA ALPHA SALUTES **GINNY RAMSEY**

"Faith in Action: Ginny Ramsey's Journey to Transforming Lives"

Ginny Ramsey serves as the Director and Co-Founder of the Catholic Action Center in Lexington, Kentucky, a position that exemplifies her unwavering dedication of two children, to serving the underserved. grandmother to three, A native of Frankfort, Kentucky, Ramsey grew up in a close-knit family as inspiration in her family one of eight siblings. Her educational journey took her through the halls of Mt. St. Joseph Academy and Brescia College,

where she cultivated a foundation of discipline and a commitment to community values. Married for 55 years, she is the proud mother and great-grandmother of one, finding joy and alongside her professional accomplishments.

Ramsey's career began in accounting, where she

thrived for nearly three decades. However, her life took a transformative turn in 1995 when she was appointed by Lexington Mayor Pam Miller to lead the Faith and Community Task Force on Welfare Reform. This pivotal role exposed her to the pressing challenges of homelessness and poverty, testament to Ramsey's igniting a deep-seated passion for social justice and advocacy. Determined compassionate service. to make a lasting impact,

Ramsey co-founded the Catholic Action Center in 1999, a volunteer-driven organization designed to address the immediate and long-term needs of individuals experiencing homelessness.

The Catholic Action Center stands as a visionary leadership and commitment to Over the years, the

Center has become a cornerstone of support in the Lexington community, providing more than 9.4 million meals and 1.9 million nights of shelter to those in need. Remarkably, this extensive outreach has been achieved without any government funding, relying instead on the generosity and dedication of community volunteers. Ramsey's ability to galvanize community support speaks volumes about her leadership and the trust she has cultivated among those who share her vision.

Her work is fueled by the belief in the

transformative power of collective action and faith. Ramsey frequently cites the compassion and dedication of her community as her primary source of inspiration. Whether it's volunteers offering their time or donors contributing resources, she views every act of kindness as a vital piece of the larger mission to uplift and empower the vulnerable.

Ginny Ramsey's legacy is one of hope, resilience, and action. Through her tireless efforts, she has not only provided essential services but also fostered a culture of empathy and

solidarity. Her life's work continues to serve as a beacon, reminding us of the profound difference that one person, fueled by faith and determination, can make in the lives of countless others.

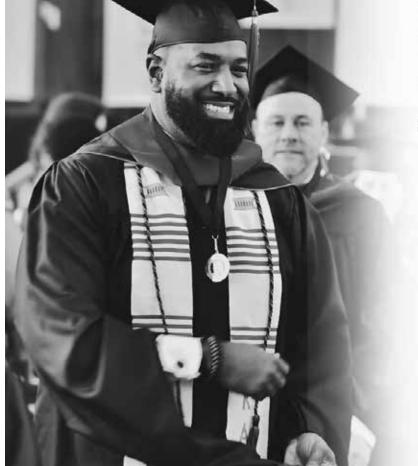


"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."

-Martin Luther King, Jr.



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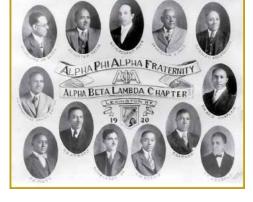
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onception began in March 1927 when four (4) of our Founders and joined Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Upon their return to Lexington, these four brothers initiated the birth of Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter in Lexington which came to fruition on June 9, 1928.

Several informal meetings had been held prior to the spring of 1927. Brother T. M. Berry, Third Vice President set the chapter apart in the name of the General Organization. Upon Chartering of Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter in June 1928, the members were Brothers W. H. Ballard, Jr., J. E Hunter, Jr., J. M. McInham, A. A. McPheeters, F. M. Reid, N. J. Ridley, A. W. Wade, T. T. Wendell, and H. A. Merchant.

They were also involved in many civic organizations such as the Greenwood Cemetery Company. One was a delegate to the National Republican Convention, and many were trustees or officers in their local churches.

Since its founding, the chapter and its Education Foundation have participated in a wide variety of educational, charitable, community, civic, and nurturing programs and activities to benefit young African American males, and our Central Kentucky community at large. From its early days promoting our Fraternity's national programs like "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People" (voter registration and education drives), and "Go to High School, Go to College" (scholarship assistance program), Alpha Beta Lambda has proudly initiated community service projects to make Lexington and our Central Kentucky community a better place to live.



ABOUT OUR FOUNDERS

Of our nine founders, one was a pastor, two were pharmacists, one was a dentist, two were educators and four were physicians. One's father was the first to open a pharmacy in Lexington. One was the first to have hospital "privileges" in Lexington. One had a building named for him at Clark College. At least three have their homes still standing in Lexington. One was the chaplain of our national fraternity. One had a building named for him at Eastern State Hospital. One was a delegate to the National Republican Convention. One along with his son and grandson were the only instance of three generations of Bishops in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church.

Brother William Henry Ballard, Jr., a pharmacist (1893-1963) was the oldest of six children born to William Henry and Bessie Brady Ballard. He married Lucille Estes 1919. In 1920 to 1930 the federal census shows, he was in business with his father in Lexington, KY. William earned a degree from Howard University in 1918 and set up practice initially in Lexington. He later moved to Chicago where he opened a pharmacy. (His father W. H. Ballard, Sr. was the first African American to establish a pharmacy in Kentucky in 1893, the year his son was born.) Ballard was also a historian, a schoolteacher in KY and TN, President of Greenwood Cemetery company, and a delegate to the National Republican Convention.

Brother John Edward Hunter, Sr. (1859-1956), a physician, a native of Virginia, was a graduate of Western Reserve University in Ohio. Following

his graduation in 1889, he moved to Lexington and established his practice in 1890. He was the first to be granted "privileges" to admit patients and to practice his profession at the old St. Joseph Hospital on East Second Street and was the first African American surgeon at Lexington's St. Joseph hospital on East Second street. His office at 439 and home at 441 North Upper Street still stand. He was a founding member and officer of Greenwood Cemetery (1907), People's Pharmacy (1910) and Bluegrass Medical Society (1899). He served as staff physician for the Colored Orphan Industrial Home. In 1971, the Hunter Foundation was established as an HMO to honor the 100 years of service provided to the community by Dr. John Edward Hunter and his son, Dr. Bush Alexander Hunter. He helped open Dunbar High School.

Brother James Monroe McInham (1875-1933), native of Jessamine County, received a degree in dentistry at Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tennessee. he was buried in Cove Haven cemetery in Lexington, Ky. He was licensed to practice June 25, 1903 and his office was at 215 South Broadway in Lexington. Dr. McInham, his wife Mary and daughter Marie, lived at 432 North Upper Street, neighbors of Dr. and Mrs. Hunter. He was a Trustee of St. Paul AME Church, serving as treasurer since 1912. He also served as treasurer of the A. and M. Realty Company and was an officer of the Domestic Realty Company.

He also received the following letter from W. E. B. Du Bois' secretary: "Your letter and photograph of June 9th have been received. This photograph is too late for our Education number. All material for that issue has already been

sent to press. This year we are only using pictures of Masters and honorary students. Dr. Du Bois is absent from the city until the first of August. Upon his return your letter will be brought to this attention."

Brother Alphonso A. McPheeters (1900-1963), son of Joseph and Katie Bell McPheeters, an educator born in Lexington, obtained degrees from Wilberforce and the University of Cincinnati. He became an educator at old Dunbar High School in the 1920's and later a professor and dean at Clark College in Atlanta, Georgia. A building at Clark Atlanta University is named in his honor. He earned a doctorate from the University of Cincinnati in 1944. Also, during his tenure at Clark College, in 1955, McPheeters served as the U.S. Information Officer in ACCRA, Gold Coast [now Ghana] Africa. On November 2,1960, McPheeters, and Rufus E. Clement were two of the seven administrators from Clark College to meet with Dr. Martin L. king, Jr. to discuss student and adult leadership in the local sit-in movement [source: The Martin Luther King, Jr. papers Project - .pdf online]. At one time his family's home address was listed as 222 Cedar Street in Lexington, KY.

Brother Henry Alpheus Merchant (1887-1950), a physician, born in Carlisle, KY to Rev. Alpheus and Elizabeth Merchant,

was graduated from the University of Illinois Medical School in 1925 and was licensed in Lexington January 19, 1927. He practiced at 128 DeWeese Street in his family's home which still stands. He is buried in Cove Haven cemetery in Lexington, KY.

Brother F. M. Reid was pastor of St. Paul AME church. He became the 61st Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church in 1940. In 1972, his son, Frank Madison Reid, Jr. became the 94th Bishop of the AME church and in 2016, Frank Madison Reid III became the 138th Bishop of the AME Church. This is the only instance of three generations of Bishops since the founding of the Church and the election of its first Bishop (Richard Allen) in 1816.

Brother Nathaniel John Ridley (1876-1940), a physician began his medical practice at 512 South Upper Street in Lexington and was licensed May 10, 1900. Dr. Ridley, born in Nashville, Tennessee, was graduated from Meharry Medical College with an allopathic specialty (the treatment of diseases by conventional methods with drugs having the opposite effect of the symptoms). Brother A. W. Wade was an educator and coach of all male and female sports at Dunbar High School from 1922-1929. He was also chaplain of the national fraternity.

Brother Thomas Tyler Wendell (1871-1953), according to biographical information printed in 1902, was an 1894 honor graduate of Meharry Medical College with degrees in pharmacy and medicine. He came to Lexington at the invitation of Dr. William Henry Ballard, Sr. He was licensed March 16, 1900. He established a private practice at 314 W. Short Street and served as staff physician at Eastern State Mental Hospital from 1929 to 1953. While there, Wendell advocated better treatment for African American patients. A building was named in his honor in 1954 but has since been demolished. Wendell was a very active contributing member of the community serving on numerous boards. In 1920 he was elected treasurer of the Colored Fair and served on the Finance Committee in subsequent years. He was a Mason and served as Grandmaster of Kentucky in 1925 and 1926. He and his family lived at 335 East Third Street which still stands. The Wendell home was the gathering place for many notables who visited

Lexington, including U. S. Representative Oscar DePriest of Chicago, who was the sole African American in the U.S. Congress at the time.

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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. develops leaders, promotes brotherhood and academic excellence, while providing service and advocacy for our communities.

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ALPHA SALUTES



Each year as part of the Unity Breakfast, Alpha Beta Lambda Education Foundation of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. recognizes two individuals/organizations that we feel has exemplified the true legacy of Dr. King. We look for recipients who have gone beyond the call of duty, have made a difference in our community and who have worked toward unifying our community.

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| 1996 | "Unity In Time of Challenge and | 2009 | "Unity: A Journey Towards The |
| | Controversy" | | Dream" |
| 1997 | "Experiencing Unity Through | 2010 | "Unity: Our Local Challenge, A |
| | Community Involvement" | | Global Vision" |
| 1998 | "Unity: The Cornerstone For a | 2011 | "Unity: More Than a Concept, A |
| | Community" | | Community Commitment" |
| 1999 | "Unity: Our Strength During | 2012 | "Unity: Moving from Concept to |
| | Adversity" | | Reality" |
| 2000 | "Unity: His Dream, Our | 2013 | "Unity: A Continuous March |
| | Commitment" | | Towards Equality" |
| 2001 | "Unity: His Dream For a Diverse | 2014 | "Unity: Commemorating 20 Years of |
| | Society" | | Advancing The Dream" |
| 2002 | "Unity: Diversity In Action" | 2015 | "Unity: Striving For Justice, Equality |
| 2003 | "Unity: A Call for Celebration" | | and World Peace" |
| 2004 | "Unity: A Time for Reflection" | 2016 | "Unity: From Rhetoric to Reality" |
| 2005 | "Unity: A Community's Opportunity, | 2017 | "Unity: Make It Your Lifestyle" |
| | A Community's Challenge" | 2018 | "Unity: Peach Through Non- |
| 2006 | "Unity: Let's Build The Dream | | Violence" |
| | Together" | 2019 | "Unity: The Promise of Hope" |
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UNITY BREAKFAST THEMES 1995 to PRESENT

2021 "Unity: In an age of Uncertainty"
2022 "Unity: A Necessity For Life's
Challenges"
2023 "Unity -- Together Again: A
Breakfast with Purpose"
2024 "Unity -- Still A Dream 60 Years
Later"



UNITY AWARDS

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| 2024 | Devine Carama | | |
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| 2024 | 1st Presbyterian Church | 2007 | Carnegie Center for Literacy |
| 2022 | Commerce Lexington | | Black Church Coalition |
| 2021 | Make-A-Wish Ohio, Kentucky & Indiana | 2006 | Urban League Young Professionals |
| 2020 | Fayette County Public Schools | | Faith Based Housing Foundation |
| 2019 | Lexington-Fayette Branch NAACP | 2005 | Chrysalis House |
| | Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bluegrass | | YMCA Black Achievers |
| 2018 | William "Butch" Emerson III | 2004 | Gov. Edward T. "Ned" Breathitt |
| | The Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence | | Catherine Warner |
| 2017 | Jesse Crenshaw | 2003 | The Junior League of Lexington |
| | On The Move Art Studio | | Volunteers of America |
| 2016 | Mildred Bailey Dream Factory | 2002 | Lexington-Fayette Police Department |
| 2015 | Lyric Theatre Common Good | | Lexington-Fayette Fire Department |
| 2014 | March of Dimes | 2001 | United Way of the Bluegrass |
| | Dr. Marlene Helm | | Hope Center |
| 2013 | William Wells Brown Community Center | 2000 | African American Forum, Inc. |
| • | Club of Lexington | | God's Pantry |
| 2012 | Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Bluegrass | 1999 | Roots & Heritage Festival Committee |
| | Jim Embry | | Habitat for Humanity-Lexington |
| 2011 | The Bluegrass Community Foundation | 1998 | Bank One Community Development Office |
| | The Feeding Ministry of Main Street Baptist Church | | YMCA of Central Kentucky |
| 2010 | BMW Program | 1997 | Lexington-Fayette County Urban League |
| | Catholic Action Center | | Community Action Council of Lexington |
| 2009 | Dorothy Coleman | 1996 | Lexington-Herald Leader |
| | Lexington Public Library | | National Conference |
| 2008 | LexLinc | 1995 | Central Christian Church |
| | Lexington Housing Authority | | Office of Minority Affairs, University of Kentucky |
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WE SHALL OVERCOME



We shall overcome, we shall overcome We shall overcome some day Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe We shall overcome some day

We'll walk hand in hand. We'll walk hand in hand. We'll walk hand in hand some day Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe We'll walk hand in hand some day

God is on our side. God is on our side. God is on our side today; Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe, God is on our side today.

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lpha Phi Alpha prides itself on being a "school for the better making of men." No population is in more need of enlightenment than African American males. The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the Alpha Beta Lambda Education Foundation work collectively to raise money that supports the educational endeavors of those young men aspiring to pursue higher education. Having supported students since 1998, we strive to see out those who have demonstrated their potential, letting them know that it is our goal to support them financially and personally.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation offers three scholarships to deserving young men.



1. A Four (4) Year Renewable Scholarship.

2. An Educational **Enrichment** Scholarship.

3. A Gap Scholarship.

4. The Henry A. Tandy Scholarship

Beginning in August 2017, at the end of each academic vear, the Education Foundation of the Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. presents a four year, renewable \$2,000 academic scholarship to a deserving student The recipient of the scholarship receives \$1,000 per semester while enrolled at the university of the student's choice. The award is renewable each year based on the student's academic performance.

In order to qualify for the scholarship, the applicant must be an African American male with minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. The award is based on the

qualities, community involvement and character. In addition, the Education Foundation of the Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. awards Educational Enrichment scholarships. These scholarships are based on need, with consideration given to merit and the moral character of the candidates. These scholarships funds are to be used by a currently enrolled student pursuing opportunities such as: a study abroad experience, funds to attend a professional development conference, participating in a student leadership training etc. The candidates should be African American college males from Fayette, Bourbon, Clark, Franklin, Jessamine, Madison, Scott or Woodford County or a student enrolled in an accredited four-year Kentucky college/ university. Students must have a GPA of

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2006 STEPHEN MORTON

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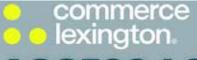


Also, the Education Foundation of the Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. awards a Gap Scholarships. The Gap scholarship is based on need, with consideration given to merit and the moral character of the candidates. The funds are to be used to assist students in offsetting the cost of educational expenses such as tuition, books, fees, housing, course supplies and other resources. The applicants must be African

American undergraduate students from Fayette, Bourbon, Clark, Franklin, Iessamine, Madison, Scott or Woodford County or a student enrolled in an accredited four-year Kentucky college/university. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or better.







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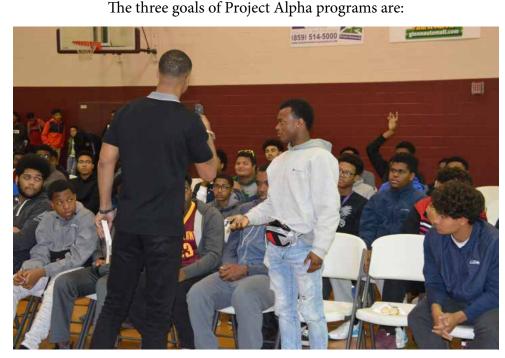
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Project Alpha is a workshop that provides middle and high school males an opportunity to have a safe environment to dialogue about manhood, sexual responsibility and relationship issues.

lpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation began collaboratively implementing Project Alpha in 1980. This collaborative project is designed to provide education, motivation and skill-building on issues of responsibility, relationships, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases for young males ages 12-15 years. Designed to provide young men with current and accurate information about teen pregnancy prevention, Project Alpha consists of a series of workshops and informational sessions conducted by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity brothers.



· Sharing Knowledge by combating ignorance and fear with factual information. · · Changing Attitudes by providing motivation toward positive changes in sexual behavior. Providing Skills by creating a sense of empowerment and self-esteem.

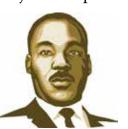
Project Alpha week, which started in 2000, targets the second week of October every year. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. chapters all across the country execute the program with their local March of Dimes to implement Project Alpha programs.

Program Highlights

Provides education for young Motivates young men to make Builds young men's skills males 12-15 years old on decisions about their goals through role-playing. Utilizes sexuality, fatherhood and the and values, and act in ways appropriate male role models role of males in relationships. that support their decisions. and mentors.

Program Alpha Curriculum

The Project Alpha curriculum focuses on five key topics:



"You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Responsibility, Respect and the Role of Males in **Relationships**

Adolescent Pregnancy and Fatherhood

Protecting Yourself and Your Partner

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

Intimate Violence in Relationships



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"A VOTELESS PEOPLE IS A HOPELESS PEOPLE" WAS INITIATED AS A NATIONAL PROGRAM OF ALPHA DURING THE 1930S WHEN MANY AFRICAN AMERICANS HAD THE RIGHT TO VOTE BUT WERE PREVENTED FROM VOTING BECAUSE OF POLL TAXES, THREATS OF REPRISAL, AND LACK OF EDUCATION ABOUT THE VOTING PROCESS.



Voter education and registration has since remained a dominant focus in the fraternity's planning. In the 1990's the focus shifted to promotion of political awareness and empowerment, delivered most often through uses of town meetings and candidate forums. Alpha members are required to be registered voters and to participate in the national voter registration program.



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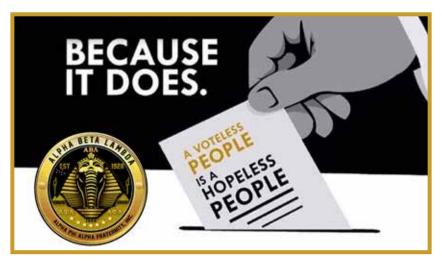
During past years, the Alpha Beta Lambda (alumni) Chapter and Epsilon Chi (University of Kentucky) Chapter have conducted several door-to-door voter registration drives and sponsored registration booths enabling over 500 people to be registered in Fayette County or petition for absentee ballots. The past few years, we have supported Operation Turnout in its Voter Education Forums, which provided candidates from all major races an opportunity to present their positions on key issues to voters. Alpha brothers annual visit to the Kentucky State Capitol to discuss local interests. With your support, our chapters will continue to educate members of our community on their vote rights and encourage all to participate in the election process.





"Give us the ballot and we will quietly and nonviolently, without rancor or bitterness, implement the Supreme Court's decision of May 17, 1954."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.







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Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. believes in raising high standards for young people at an early age. This is why we began our quest to emphasize scholastic achievement not only among high school students, but we also engage in community outreach programs that target elementary school students.

e began a partnership in 2012 with the University of Kentucky and Fayette **County Public Schools to** implement our Reading Writing and **Rewards program at William Wells Brown Elementary School. Through this** community partnership, the Fraternity is working diligently to make sure children who need extra help in reading and writing will have the resources they need, along with incentives to improve their reading, comprehension and writing skills. Students participating in the program can select books to read. Once they have read the book of their choice, they are to write a summary and are graded on the assignment. Students can earn rewards based on the number of books they read and the quality of their written summaries. In turn, members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. meet with William Wells Brown students once a week to serve as mentors to those who are in need of some encouragement to continue striving for excellence.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A large majority of the efforts of the Fraternity are focused toward supporting the educational aspirations of students desiring to attend college. Having supported students since 1998, the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and the Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation work collectively to raise money in order to assist those who have demonstrated their potential, letting them know that it is our goal to support them financially and personally. Recent high school graduates have enrolled at various universities, including the University of Kentucky, University of Louisville as well as out of state schools such as Massachusetts Institute of Technology and North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University. A member of the fraternity maintains contact with each student throughout the semester.



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MARCH OF DIMES MARCH FOR BABIES

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. is committed to the well-being of all children. Our long-standing partnership with the March of Dimes is a true testament that it not only takes a village to raise a child, but such networks must see to it that they have a fighting chance at life's opportunities. We are proud to be a part of the village! Each year, local Alpha chapters raise money to financially support the March of Dimes and their commitment to help mothers have healthy pregnancies and minimize conditions and diseases that threaten the lives of newborns. Additionally, we provide numerous volunteer hours to the annual March for Babies event.

Historic Success for FCPS

Thanks to the time and hard work of our students, families, teachers, and staff, **Fayette County Public Schools continue to outperform the state at every level** according to data from the 2023–24 Kentucky accountability results.



70%

of FCPS schools posted medium, high, or very high ratings.



For the first time since 2018, FCPS has **zero schools** identified for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI).



For the first time since 2018, **no schools** have been flagged for low achievement of African-American, Hispanic, or Economically Disadvantaged Students.



27% Increase

in EL (English Learner) students meeting state requirements for English language proficiency.



Climate and Culture:
Student surveys
at roughly 87% of
schools in FCPS
reported positive
growth in culture
and climate.



Graduation rates continue to climb at all six high schools! With **92.65**% of FCPS students graduating within four years in 2024, that's **up nearly 3 percent** since 2022.



Attendance rates are increasing steadily from 91.25% in 2021-22, to 91.87% in 2022-23, and 92.4% in 2023-24.



of our high schools increased their post-secondary readiness scores in 2024.





ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Advocated for a street name Martin Luther King, Jr.

March of Dimes "March for Babies" (Raises money to fight child birth defects)

Project Alpha (Provides mentoring for middle and high school students on health and the prevention of venereal diseases)

Voter registration drives entitled "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People"

Adopt-A-Family for Thanksgiving and Christmas (Provides food, clothing and toys for families in need)

A historical highway marker for Mr. Verner Woodson Tandy (A marker was erected in front of the house where one of our founders was raised)

"Go to High School, Go to College" program (promotes high school and college attendance)

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Mall Project in Washington, DC (Our chapter raised about \$25,000.00 towards the \$120,000,000 needed for the sculpture of King

Annual Unity Breakfast to promote unity through song and speaker reflections (Breakfast attendance averages around 1,500 people)

Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Scholarship award (The annual award goes to a qualifying male student in the Lexington public school system

William Wells Brown "Reading, Writing, and Rewards" program (A program for mentoring middle school students in reading, and provide school supplies for elementary students)

Big Brothers/Big Sisters (Provide financial support for program)

Boy Scouts of America-Bluegrass Council (Provides financial support for program)

YMCA Black Achievers Program (Provides financial support of scholarship efforts)

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Coretta Scott King "Spirit of the Ivy" - Awards Program (Program supports and recognizes women accomplishments in Kentucky)

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Lexington Alumni Chapter (Provide financial support for their Scholarship/ Debutante Ball)

God's Pantry Food Bank (Provide financial support to provide food for people in need)



HISTORY ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.

Since its founding on December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African Americans and people of color around the world.

Alpha Phi Alpha, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York by seven college men who recognized the need for a strong bond of Brotherhood among African descendants in this country. The visionary founders, known as the "Jewels" of the Fraternity are: Jewel Henry Arthur Callis, MD; Jewel Charles Henry Chapman; Jewel Eugene Kinckle Jones: Jewel George Biddle Kelley; Jewel Nathaniel Allison Murray; Jewel Robert Harold Ogle; and Jewel Vertner Woodson Tandy.

The Fraternity initially served as a study and support group for minority students who faced racial prejudice, both educationally and socially, at Cornell. The Jewel founders and early leaders of the Fraternity succeeded in a laying a firm foundation for Alpha Phi Alpha's principles of scholarship, fellowship, good character and the uplifting of humanity.

Alpha Phi Alpha chapters were developed at other colleges and universities, many of them historically black institutions, soon after the founding at Cornell. While continuing to stress academic excellence among its members, Alpha also recognized the need to help correct the educational, economic, political and social injustices faced by African Americans.

The first General Convention and

subsequent conventions have continuously exhorted chapters and members to remember that "manly deeds, scholarship and love for all mankind" are the aims of the Fraternity.

While continuing to stress academic excellence among its members, the Fraternity also recognizes the need to help correct the educational, economic political and social injustices faced by African Americans.

The fraternity's national programs date back to 1919, with its "Go-To-High School, Go-to-College" campaign to promote academic achievement within the African American community as its first initiative. Alpha Phi Alpha later took the lead in the voting rights struggle for African Americans and coined the nationally famous phrase: "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People" as part of its effort to register black voters. The slogan remains the battle cry today for Alpha voter registration efforts.

Alpha Phi Alpha has long stood at the forefront of the African American community's fight for civil rights through leaders such as: W.E.B. DuBois; Adam Clayton Powell, Jr.; Edward Brooke; Martin Luther King, Jr.; Thurgood Marshall; Andrew Young; William Gray; Paul Robeson; Maynard Jackson; David Dinkins and many others.

The Fraternity's leadership development and community service training for young men has made Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. the most prestigious organization of its kind.

Today, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., a diverse organization, continues its commitment to the African American community through the Fraternity's Economic Development, Education and Building Foundations, which promote entrepreneurship, provide scholarships to outstanding students, and build housing for underprivileged families. More than 175,000 men have joined the ranks of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., since the organization's founding in 1906. The Fraternity is international with local chapters located throughout the United States, District of Columbia, the Caribbean. Europe, Asia and Africa. Today, Alpha Phi Alpha continues its commitment to the African American community through the Fraternity's Education and Building foundations which provide scholarships to outstanding students and shelter to underprivileged families. The Fraternity also has dedicated itself to training a new generation of leaders with national mentoring programs and partnerships designed to ensure the success of our children and youth.



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A Word of Thanks

On behalf of the members of the Education Foundation of the Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., we extend our heartfelt gratitude as we commemorate the enduring dream of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., over 60 years later. This moment of reflection serves as an opportunity to fortify our commitment to unifying our efforts in the realms of Education, Spirituality, Civil Rights, and Humanitarianism – the very pillars Dr. King envisioned as the foundation for a brighter future.

Over the past 30 plus years, our community has demonstrated remarkable unity in pursuing these shared goals, and we anticipate that this 31st celebration will be equally remarkable. In a world filled with various challenges, we remain resolute in our pursuit of justice, equality, and global harmony. While Education remains the primary focus of our Foundation, we also embrace and champion the principles of Spirituality, Civil Rights, and Humanitarianism.

As you navigate through this day, this month, and this year, we encourage you to consider and take action in at least one of these essential areas of personal and collective growth. Whether engaging in meaningful conversations with your family members, students, or friends, let your words be purposeful, recognizing their profound impact on the future. The timeless words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. continue to move mountains, reminding us of the enduring power of transformative dialogue and action.

Once again, we express our sincere appreciation. We recognize the daily sacrifices you make, and we acknowledge that you could have chosen various ways to spend this day. Your presence on this special day of Unity: A Challenge in These Troubled Times, dedicated to honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., reaffirms our shared commitment to progress and positive change. Thank you for being an integral part of this meaningful celebration.

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Dr. Charles Holloway Board Chair Mario J. Radford Unity Chair



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation Promotional Information Policy

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation recognize the importance of the work that individuals, organizations and groups do throughout our community. The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation receives more requests to assist worthwhile endeavors that can possibly be handled. This leads to difficult decisions when considering and establishing programmatic priorities for the year and means that many important activities such as distribution of the guides, pamphlets and other materials cannot be supported by the Foundation. The Foundation's overall goal is to achieve greater levels of effectiveness in our current programming so solutions we promote are both successful and enduring. Because the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization, our bylaws, Articles of Incorporation and the IRS prohibit us from accepting and printing political ads as well as the distribution of guides, pamphlets and other materials political in nature by outside individuals and organizations It is therefore, the Policy of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Beta Lambda Chapter Education Foundation to not allow the distribution of guides, pamphlets and other materials (political or nonpolitical) by outside individuals, organizations and groups at our official functions and activities.

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