



WHAT IS HAPPENING NATIONALLY

To Complete The Unfinished Work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP) is a networking coalition of organizations engaged in an overall community-building approach to addressing the root causes of illiteracy among Black and similarly-situated minorities. In essence they are committed to the rebuilding of our communities into such secure, productive, value-laden and hope-filled entities that everyone will be motivated to want to learn and lead responsible lives. AOIP has a redemptive mission of completing the "unfinished work of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr." And, information listed below about your organization should (as best possible) be focused on what your group is doing to help complete that "unfinished work."

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Current AKA projects include "Moving Up From Poverty," a series of programs which empower Blacks in contexts which influence economic development, health care, job training and education; the Educational Advancement Foundation, which provides grants, fellowships and scholarships for educational study and research; the Cleveland Job Corps Center, which provides structural vocational training for high school dropouts; travel grants, providing expense-paid educational tours for high school essay winners and college scholarship recipients; and Leadership Fellows, which consists of structured training in leadership development, followed by internships with national leaders. Information Contact: 312-684-1282.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

Current projects of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity include Project Alpha, a teen pregnancy program for teenaged fathers; A-Phi-Aid, a financial aid and career counseling program; Million-Dollar Fund Drive, an ongoing effort to raise \$1 million for the United Negro College Fund, NAACP and the National Urban League; Leadership Development/Citizenship Education Institutes, an annual series of five week-long training sessions on leadership skills for high school students, and Alpha-Cornell Memorial Scholarship, an endowed fund at Cornell University. Information Contact: Waldo Johnson, 312-373-1819.

A.E.A.O.N. Mystic Shrine (Shriners)

This is a charitable and fraternal organization whose main thrust is to provide monies for hospitals, schools and educational grants. Information Contact: 2211 Cass Ave., Detroit, MI 48201.

Association of Black Sociologists

For information, contact Sandra V. Walker, Secretary/Treasurer, Association of Black Sociologists, 4825 Troost — Room 215, Kansas City, MO 64110. Telephone: 816-932-4499.

Conference of Prince Hall Grand Masters

The Conference of Prince Hall Grand Masters is an umbrella organization consisting of the 43 Prince Hall Grand Lodges of the USA, Canada, Bahamas and Africa. We are concerned primarily with educational opportunities for Black students. Besides providing college scholarships, contributions and donations are usually made to community-oriented groups such as the United Negro College Fund, Assault On Illiteracy Program, blood banks, food banks, clothing banks, Aid to Africa, youth training and camping sessions. Information Contact: P.G.M. John D. Howard, P.O. Box 2826, Washington, D.C. 20013.

Council of National Alumni Associations, Inc. (CNAA)

CNAA is working in support of the National Black College Alumni Hall of Fame Foundation. This is a programmatic initiative by Blacks to ensure the survival of their own institutions of higher education. The Foundation seeks to serve as a supplemental role in relation to other organizations dedicated to supporting Black colleges. Information Contact: Thomas Dortch, P.O. Box 396, Atlanta, GA 30301.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority

Current Delta projects include African Diaspora, a four-year (1984-1988) awareness travel-study program in the African Diaspora; Summit II: A Call to Action in Support of Black Single Mothers, which consists of assistance and support to single mothers; Adopt A Black Business, chapter initiatives to sign agreements with Black businesses to utilize their services and buy products from them; Maryland Educational Opportunity Center, secondary education and training motivation opportunities for low and moderate income individuals; and Delta Towers, a \$6 million housing development center for senior citizens. Information Contact: Mary B. Hendrick, Executive Director, 202-483-5460.

I.B.P.O. Elks

A number of Elk activities symbolize "Unity in Brotherhood and Sisterhood," which was the theme of their national convention this year. Some of these activities include "Adopt-a-Senior-Citizen" Program; a summer computer leadership camp; and contributions to "Hands Across America." Information Contact: 919-358-7661.

Imperial Court Daughters of Isis

Organized in 1910, the Daughters of Isis unite in one common bond of friendship to practice charity and benevolence, to promote general welfare and to inculcate honor and integrity. Information Contact: Grace T. Brooks, Imperial Recordress, 317-283-7230.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Current Kappa projects include the Kappa League, which stresses talent, scholarship and career preparedness for high school and college students; C. Rodger Wilson Leadership Training, undergraduate workshops on leadership development; Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation, a non-profit arm for funding social action and self-help projects in the Black community; Student Revolving Loan Fund makes loans available to college students on campuses with Kappa chapters; and Social Action which responds to socio-economic issues affecting the Black community. Information Contact: 215-228-7184.

National Association of University Women (NAMW)

These ladies are working on a number of community outreach activities, including helping to train those incarcerated who are illiterate and conducting afterschool illiteracy-preventive programs. To enhance their service role, NAMW has pledged to increase its membership, especially in locales where no branch presently exists. Women holding a degree from any "A" grade college, university or scientific school listed by the U.S. Dept. of Education are eligible for membership in NAMW. Any group of five or more eligible women desirous of forming a Branch to be organized and inducted should contact Mrs. Carrie Haynes, National President, 1205 West 80th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90044. Telephone: 213-752-0663. Women wishing to join a Branch already existing in her locale should contact Mrs. Lillian E. Ross, National First Vice-President, 2320 Monroe Street, Northeast, Washington, D.C. 20018.

National Pan-Hellenic Council

NPHC is a community-service organization representing

local graduate and undergraduate councils comprised of eight affiliated Greek-letter organizations.

Local councils may be formed where there are two or more Greek organizations. Information Contact: Dr. Ada Jackson, 2222 Albion Street, Nashville, TN 37208

National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa

Mrs. E. Lucille Minor assumed the office of National President upon the untimely death of Supreme Basileus Winnie Palmer. Please address future communications to the sorority to Mrs. Minor, 1453 Blackmore Rd., Cleveland, OH 44118, 216-321-4880

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity

Current projects of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity include Endowed Chairs, support of professorships at Black colleges; Sustaining NAACP Membership Program, five-year effort to raise \$250,000 for the NAACP by 1985, followed by a repeat performance; National High School Essay Contest, scholarship program for essay winners; Famile Relief for Ethiopians, and financial support for famine stricken Ethiopians. We are also deeply committed to the Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP). Information Contact: 202-667-7158

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity

The men of Phi Beta Sigma share a two-fold goal: to promote brotherhood and community service, and to pursue scholastic excellence. Specific program support is given to education (through scholarships and tutoring services), Black business development and social welfare projects. Information Contact: 145 Kennedy St. N.W., Washington, DC 20011.

Sigma Gamma Rho

Currently, Sigma projects include Oratorical Contests/Debates, competitions designed to improve the rhetorical skills of college students; National Lock Scholar, recognition and scholarships for outstanding students by the Education Foundation; NAACP Membership Drive, financial support of the NAACP; Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP), tutorial assistance and resources for reading and writing; and the Black Family, participation in national emphasis on the Black family program with the National Leadership Roundtable. Information Contact: Bonita Herring, 312-873-9000.

United Black Fund of America

This organization was recently recognized for its important community service work by Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. It was the only organization to receive a double award. Information Contact: 202-822-9116.

Youth Organizations USA (YOUSA)

It's not enough just to tell a "turned off" youngster that "crime doesn't pay" and expect the magic words to turn him/her on. They must know, if crime doesn't pay, what does—and be shown how! What act pays is what youths need to know. National and local leadership cooperating "interorganizationally" can effectively reduce and virtually eliminate illiteracy and crime in the "family" in the span of a generation. Let's do it! Contact YOUSA, 19 Humphrey St., Englewood, NJ 07631. Phone: (201) 836-1838.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

Current Zeta projects include Project Hunger, relief for Ethiopian and other famine victims; Stork's Nest, services, including transportation, clothing and legal consultation for mothers-to-be at area clinics; National Education Foundation, annual scholarships for students and support for the United Negro College Fund; Media Watch, monitoring of bias in news reporting on issues affecting minorities; and the Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP), training and resources to improve reading and writing skills. Information Contact: Virginia Hansberry, 205-735-3511.

The following and other national community-building organizations are entitled to listings. However, we have not received their calendars of events, and we are awaiting information from them.

Academy on Human Rights and Peace
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
American Association for Affirmative Action
American Health & Beauty Aids Institute (AHBAI)
American League of Financial Institutions (ALFI)
American Women's Clergy Association
Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History
Association of Black Sociologists
Association of Corporate Professionals
Auxiliary to the Nat'l Medical Association
Booker T. Washington Foundation
Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.
CME Church
Conference of Grand Masters, Prince Hall Masons
Congress of National Black Churches
Council of Construction Professionals
Drifters
Eta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.
Federation of Masons and Eastern Stars
Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc.
Gospel Music Workshop of America
Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc.
Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority, Inc.
National Association for the Southern Poor
National Association of Black Airline Employees
National Association of Black Reading and Language Educators
National Association of Black Social Workers
National Association of Black Women Attorneys, Inc.
National Association of Market Developers
National Association of Media Women, Inc.
National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.
National Association of Negro Musicians
National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.
National Black Chamber of Commerce
National Black MBA Association, Inc.
National Black Media Coalition
National Black Police Association
National Black Republican Council
National Business League
National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc.
National Coalition of Title I/Chapter I Parents
National Committee of Black Churchmen
National Council for Black Family and Child Development
National Council of Negro Women
National Dental Association
National Naval Officers Association
National Student Business League
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.
Operation PUSH
Opportunities Industrialization Centers of America, Inc. (OIC/A)
Progressive National Baptist Convention
Southern Christian Leadership Conference