

The mission of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., is to develop leaders, promote brotherhood and academic excellence, while providing service and advocacy for its communities.

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

Alpha Phi Alpha, the oldest intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established by African-Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York by 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 Henry Arthur Callis, Charles Henry Chapman, Eugene Kinckle Jones, George Biddle Kelley, Nathaniel Allison Murray, Robert Harold Ogle and Vertner Woodson Tandy.

Alpha Phi Alpha 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 laying a firm foundation for Alpha Phi Alpha's principles of scholarship, fellowship, good character, and the uplifting of humanity.

Today, Alpha Phi Alpha's strong commitment to developing tomorrows leaders is shown through collaborative partnerships with organizations such as Big Brothers/ Big Sisters, Boy Scouts of America, and special projects such as College Life to Corporate Life and their Leadership Development Institute.

The National Pan-Hellenic Council celebrates with the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. on your 110th Anniversary as you continue to lead the way in service to communities around the world.