



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated[®] (AKA), an international service organization, was founded on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C. in 1908. It is the oldest Greek-letter organization established by African American college-educated women.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated[®] is comprised of more than 355,000 initiated members and 114,000 active members in graduate and undergraduate chapters located in 12 countries including, the United States, Bahamas, Bermuda, Canada, Dubai, Germany, Japan, Liberia, Nigeria, South Korea, South Africa, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated has ten (10) Regions. Led by International President & CEO Danette Anthony Reed of Dallas, Texas, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, often is hailed as “America’s premier Greek-letter organization for African American women.”

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated[®] was founded on a mission of five basic tenets that have remained unchanged since the sorority’s inception. Our mission is:

- to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards,
- to promote unity and friendship among college women,
- to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women to improve their social stature,
- to maintain a progressive interest in college life,
- and to be of “Service to All Mankind.”

Alpha Beta Iota Omega is the local Graduate Chapter responsible for partnering with the St. Phillip Presbyterian Church’s Growing Place to serve in the capacity of watering and mulching the grounds at the community garden. This service opportunity falls under one of the National Soaring Initiatives, “Enhancing Our Environment” which encompasses any work or service that will help to sustain our future for years to come as environmental threats continue to grow. Additionally, teaching our children about gardening and the community impacts of food shortages and communities in need, only helps to foster the need of helping others wherever they are. This community event was open to our local membership and their families.

President Nicky Gibson leads Alpha Beta Iota Omega Chapter along with VP of Programs, Courtney Marie Smiter and Environment Chair, Heather Mazant.