January 30, 2023

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

For 116 years, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated, the first collegiate fraternity for African American men, has been dedicated to developing leaders, promoting academic excellence, public service, and social responsibility in our local and global communities. In an effort to facilitate these goals, the Mu Sigma Lambda Chapter of the fraternity is offering one-thousand-dollar ($1,000) scholarships to graduating high school men who are pursuing higher education.

Scholarship recipients will be selected based upon academic achievement, financial need, community service, and on an original essay. Carefully review the scholarship requirements. An incomplete application will not be considered. Please feel free to copy and distribute this letter and the attached application and requirements to all persons interested in applying for a scholarship. Applications can also be obtained from baldwinhillsalphas.com. Inquiries should be addressed to hearonnorman@gmail.com or (310) 487-3943.

**Applications must be received no later than March 31, 2023.**

***Applicants are encouraged to apply before the deadline even if you are waiting for admission to the college or university of your choice and or have not decided on which college or university that you will attend.***

***Applications that are not received by the deadline and applications that are incomplete will not be considered.***

**SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS**

1. **By Email: Applicants may submit their applications to** **hearonnorman@gmail.com****. Official transcripts must be sent separately by an official from the applicant’s school.**
2. **By Mail: Applicants may submit their applications and official transcripts by mail. The official transcript must be in a sealed envelope from the school providing the transcript and included with the application materials. The application materials and transcript should be mailed to:**

**ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY INC., MU SIGMA LAMBDA CHAPTER**

**P.O. BOX 638**

**INGLEWOOD, CA 90307**

Sincerely, Norman Hearon

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Mu Sigma Lambda Chapter Scholarship Committee Chair

**ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY INC. MU SIGMA LAMBDA CHAPTER**

**SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS**

**ELIGIBILITY:**

1. The applicant must be a male student who is a graduating high school senior for the 2023 academic school year. The applicant must be a student at a Southern California high school.
2. The applicant has or will enroll as a full-time college student at a four-year college or university in the Fall, 2023 term.
3. The applicant must possess a minimum grade point average (G.P.A.) of 3.0 or its equivalent.
4. The applicant must provide proof of acceptance **AND** enrollment in a four-year college or university before funds are disbursed. If selected to receive an award, proof of enrollment must be received no later than October 2, 2023. Failure to adhere to this deadline will result in forfeiture of your award.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

1. The applicant must provide **ALL** the following:
	1. An official transcript that includes the applicant’s grade point average. The instructions for submitting the transcripts are as follows:

**By Mail**: The transcript must be provided in a sealed envelope from the school providing the transcript **AND** it must be included with the completed application materials.

**By Email**: The official transcript must be sent by an official from the applicant’s school.

* 1. **TWO letters of reference** from persons who can attest to the quality of your class work, ability and character. **At least one of the two letters must be from a current or former teacher.**
	2. Complete responses to all the questions on the application form.
	3. A 200-word essay on “How I Will Use My Education to Serve My Community”.

CONTACT PERSON’S PHONE NUMBER

SCHOLASTIC AWARDS OR HONORS

1. **ACTIVITIES**

General extra-curricular activities and community organization affiliations. (This includes church related activities. Please attach extra sheets if needed)

1. **EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE**

MAJOR:

CAREER GOAL(S):

1. **WORK AND RESIDENCE INFORMATION**

Do you plan to work during your college years? Yes No

Where do you plan to live during your first year of college?

1. In applying for this scholarship, what is your most significant financial need?
2. **Your signature on this application will indicate that you are informed that a transcript of your grades will be required for the purpose of evaluating your application.**

**Applicant Signature: Date**

1. **PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION:**

I agree that the transcript of grades for may be released

to the Scholarship Committee of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Mu Sigma Lambda Chapter for the purpose of evaluating the applicant’s scholarship application.

Signature of Parent or Guardian Date