

TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

*Eminent Associates*

*Join Today!*

"If you want to be happy, if you want to live a life of genuine pleasure, do something for somebody else. It is the quiet, unseen giving which never reaches the ear of the world that makes possible the existence of the best things of the world."

– Booker T. Washington





## EMINENT PRESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATES OF TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

Dear Fellow Alumni & Friends:

On behalf of the Eminent Presidential Associates of Tuskegee University, I want to thank you for your continued support of alma mater. The Eminent Presidential Associates have supported alma mater since it was established in 1965 to help the University achieve its long term goals. One of its primary objectives is to develop sustained interest in, and substantial support of, Tuskegee University among both alumni and friends.

This brochure is the latest revision opening with a message from the president in his final year. The President's message is followed by an overview of the program, information on annual meetings, and membership levels. A membership/pledge card with a self addressed return "tear-off" is provided.

If you're not already a part of this important, impactful and impressive program, we invite you to join the more than 700 current members, today. Simply fill out the attached pledge card, enclose your initial payment based on your desired level, and watch your dollars at work.

We need your involvement in order to continue strengthening support for alma mater. If you have questions regarding the Eminent Presidential Associates Program, please contact me or any current member of the program.

Thank you for your support of Tuskegee University.

Sincerely,

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Dear Eminent Presidential Associates and Prospective Eminent Presidential Associates of Tuskegee University:

Your continuing contributions have a major impact on advancing Tuskegee University's capability to provide a high quality education to our students. Your high level of commitment and your dedication to Tuskegee University are both greatly appreciated. Tuskegee stands on a rich legacy of academic and historical excellence.

However, we are not content to rest upon our previous accomplishments. We must remain dynamic and innovative to become a premier research university. Now is the time for all of us to recognize that Tuskegee University's path to the next level of academic preeminence is predicated upon expanding the array of those alumni and other supporters who are able and willing to significantly contribute to venerable Tuskegee University's great leap forward.

I urge you to seize this opportunity to generously reaffirm your level of support, to boldly encourage your colleagues and friends to join us in the struggle to advance students' opportunities to matriculate toward stellar careers, to protect and preserve Tuskegee University's historic architectural legacies, to develop new and exciting instructional and research initiatives and, finally, to incorporate state-of-the-science technologies for the benefit of our students and faculty. If you have not already been designated an Eminent Presidential Associate, I cordially and eagerly invite you to join with us in this vitally important mission.

As you are aware, we have launched a capital campaign with the objective of raising a quarter of a billion dollars over the next five years to accomplish the goals listed above. I have full faith and confidence that our alumni and friends will rise to the occasion and continue to demonstrate the loyalty and enthusiasm for this great university that its heritage so richly deserves.

# EMINENT PRESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATES OVERVIEW:

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The Eminent Presidential Associates was established in 1965 and formally organized in 1975 to assist the University in its long-term development program. Specific objectives of the programs are:

- To develop sustained interest in and substantial support of Tuskegee University among alumni and friends.
- To provide a medium for meaningful participation in matters of major consideration related to plans and problems of continuing program development at Tuskegee University.
- To provide an organized medium through which considerable numbers of alumni and friends can be recognized appropriately for significant contributions to the University.

## MEETINGS

The annual meeting of Eminent President Associates is held on the campus at the beginning of each academic year immediately prior to the Fall Convocation. Members are encouraged to attend these meetings, at which time opportunity is provided for them to obtain first-hand information about the University's overall program and meet officials responsible for expanding the innovative and dynamic disciplines initiated by founder Booker T. Washington.

Clusters of associates in any given locality are encouraged to meet as often as they wish.

## MEMBERSHIP

The membership totals more than 700 alumni and friends and is restricted to individuals only. There are five categories of membership available, with the option to move from one category to another. Once the minimum amount for a category is achieved, members are moved to the next category—assuming the minimum annual amount for that category is paid.

# Annual Gifts

## ASSOCIATE

**\$1,000 to \$9,999 annual or cumulative**

*Minimum Annual Requirement to Remain Active (\$500)*

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- Recognition in *Tuskegee Magazine*
- Annual Reception
- Receive the President's Annual Report
- Membership Plaque
- Identification Pin
- Participation in Fall Convocation

## PRESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATE

**\$10,000 to \$24,999 annual or cumulative**

*Minimum Annual Requirement to Remain Active (\$1,000)*

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- Recognition in *Tuskegee Magazine*
- Annual Reception
- Receive the President's Annual Report
- Brick on Legacy Walkway
- Participation in Fall Convocation

## SILVER PRESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATE

**\$25,000 to \$49,999 annual or cumulative**

*Minimum Annual Requirement to Remain Active (\$1,500)*

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- Recognition in *Tuskegee Magazine*
- Annual Reception
- Personalized Medallion
- Receive the President's Annual Report
- Brick on Legacy Walkway
- Participation in Fall Convocation

# GOLD PRESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATE

**\$50,000 to \$99,999 annual or cumulative**

*Minimum Annual Requirement to Remain Active (\$2,000)*

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- Annual Reception
- Season Football Tickets
- Recognition in *Tuskegee Magazine*
- Receive the President's Annual Report
- Brick on Legacy Walkway
- Participation in Fall Convocation

# THE FOUNDER'S CIRCLE

**\$100,000 & Up annual or cumulative**

*Minimum Annual Requirement to Remain Active (\$2,500)*

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- Photo of donor on Web site
- Annual Reception
- Season Football Tickets
- Recognition in *Tuskegee Magazine*
- Receive the President's Annual Report
- Framed Recognition on Easel at Kellogg Conference Center
- Brick on Legacy Walkway
- Participation in Fall Convocation
- Pin and/or medallion will always be awarded based on the entry category of the Associates

*Notes: Annual gifts are given on an unrestricted or restricted basis in a given fiscal year.*

For more information about the Eminent Presidential Associates, please contact:

Tuskegee University Office of Alumni Affairs

334-727-8342

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Email: [alumniaffairs@mytu.tuskegee.edu](mailto:alumniaffairs@mytu.tuskegee.edu)

# My Pledge

My pledge indicates acceptance of invitation to membership in the Eminent Presidential Associates Program of Tuskegee University as:

- Associate - \$1,000 - \$9,999
- Presidential Associate - \$10,000 - \$24,999
- Silver Presidential Associate- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- Gold Presidential Associate - \$50,000 - \$99,999
- The Founders Circle - \$100,000 & up

In support of the needs of Tuskegee University and to meet the requirements of membership in the Eminent Presidential Associates Program, I hereby subscribe/pledge the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Payment of pledge will be made as follows (check one):

- Payment in full
- \_\_\_\_\_ payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each
- Check enclosed
- Charge my credit card in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Credit Card Gifts

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

- Mastercard    Visa    Discover

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Class Year \_\_\_\_\_