## African American Alumni Society

Welcome



# JOIN THE AFRICAN AMERICAN ALUMNI SOCIETY

Building a Legacy of Support and Empowerment

Founded in 2018 in response to vital conversations around diversity, the African American Alumni Society is a powerful force for change and community at Western Carolina University.

Spearheaded by Pam Degraffenreid '80, former Director of the WCU Bookstore, our society is dedicated to bridging the gap between African American alumni and current students, fostering a vibrant network of support and success.

### The Mission - Empowerment Through Connection

We are committed to creating meaningful networking opportunities that connect African American alumni with students, faculty, and staff at WCU. Through a range of professional and social events, we aim to support WCU's mission of advancement and development, ensuring that every African American member of our community has the resources and encouragement they need to thrive.

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#### OUR LEGACY

The \$25K Endowment Campaign

In October 2023, we launched an ambitious \$25,000 endowment campaign to provide financial support for minority students at WCU. This initiative is more than just a fundraising effort. It is a pledge to invest in the future of our community. Join us in making a lasting impact that will empower generations of African American students to come.

To make a gift, visit:

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<a href="pus.com/campaigns/">pus.com/campaigns/</a>
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#### MEET OUR LEADERS



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#### **YOUR NEXT STEPS**

#### Get Involved



Become a part of our growing legacy. Whether you're an alumnus, student, or supporter, your involvement can make a difference. Together, we can create a community where everyone can succeed.



#### Connect with Us



Join the African American Alumni Society today and be a catalyst for change. For more information, use one of our communication channels below to connect with us. Let's build a future where diversity and empowerment go hand in hand.







#### **WAYS TO GIVE**

#### Use the QR Code





#### Pay by Check

- Make checks payable to WCU Foundation
- MEMO: African American Alumni Society Scholarship
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