



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Chi Kappa Omega Chapter, President Donna Thomason (center) and sisters receive a California Senate Certificate of Recognition

About Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated:

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated (AKA) 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.

AKA is comprised of more than 360,000 initiated 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.

It was founded on a mission of five basic tenets that have remained unchanged since the sorority's inception. Its mission is to:

- Cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards.
- Promote unity and friendship among college women.
- Study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature.
- Maintain a progressive interest in college life.
- Be of "Service to All Mankind."

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

About Chi Kappa Omega Graduate Chapter:

Chi Kappa Omega Graduate Chapter was chartered in Lancaster on June 28, 2023 under the leadership of Donna L. Thomason, the first President of the Chapter (2003-2005).

There were fifteen charter members that began their community service in the Antelope Valley by contributing gift bags to the Domestic Violence Shelter which included toiletries, grooming products, personal hygiene products, and clothing for women, children and men that had been displaced because of violence in their homes.

The members cooked soup and served the homeless at the Lancaster Community Shelter and the Grace Resource Center. Additionally, they provided sack lunches for the homeless in the local parks.

Under the leadership of Donna L. Thomason (2021 to present), the members hold an Annual Baccalaureate Ceremony for all High School seniors in the Antelope Valley to recognize their accomplishments, regardless of their grade point average, and give scholarships.

Additional community service projects include:

- Visiting the Carroll Manor Assisted Living & Nursing Home in Littlerock
- Providing cards and gifts to the residents and caregivers during Mother's Day and Father's Day

The chapter also adopts families during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons through the Angel Tree Project with the Lancaster Salvation Army to provide food, the traditional holiday meals, and Christmas gifts.

The chapter has a display currently in the Lancaster Library (on Lancaster Blvd) highlighting information about the organization for the community to view during Black History Month and Women's History Month.

Click [HERE](#) to visit the Chi Kappa Omega Graduate Chapter Facebook page.