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**BOSTON TO HOST TOP AKA SCHOLARS FROM ACROSS  
THE COUNTRY FOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING, CAREER  
GUIDANCE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**



Boston, MA – May 25, 2017 - The 38th Annual Leadership Fellows Program sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® is taking place in Boston. Thirty-seven of the Sorority’s best and brightest members from colleges and universities across the nation will undergo leadership training, personal and professional development and preparation for internships and job opportunities. Participants also will perform community service to demonstrate Alpha Kappa Alpha’s commitment to improve the quality of life of communities in host cities.

“I am very excited to welcome the Leadership Fellows to ‘Beantown,’ where they will not only benefit from an intensive program of academic, cultural and personal enrichment, but also be guided along a path of professional development to help them achieve life goals,” said Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson, the International President of Alpha Kappa Alpha. “On behalf of the 290,000 Alpha Kappa Alpha members worldwide, I applaud these young women for being our goodwill ambassadors on college campuses in the United States and abroad.”

A highlight of the activities will be a community service at the historic Twelfth Baptist Church in Roxbury on Friday, May 26th. The Fellows will beautify the church’s classrooms, food pantry, thrift shop and playground (weather permitting). RSVP for media coverage at [\(203\) 464-9451](tel:2034649451).

The Leadership Fellows Program was created in 1979 to prepare a cadre of undergraduate members of the Sorority for key leadership roles in Alpha Kappa Alpha, and the public and private sectors. The participants compete for placements and scholarships. Since its inception, more than 1,100 students have participated in the Leadership Fellows Program where first-rate faculty of AKA leaders and professional experts present challenging workshops and curriculum.

**About Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated (AKA) is an international service organization that 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 is comprised of more than 290,000 members in 1,007 graduate and undergraduate chapters in the United States, Liberia, the Bahamas, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Germany, South Korea, Bermuda, Japan, Canada, South Africa and in the Middle East. Led by International President, Dr. Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson, Alpha Kappa Alpha is often hailed as “America’s premier Greek-letter organization for African American women.” For more information on Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and its programs, log onto [www.aka1908.com](http://www.aka1908.com)

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