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**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® and  
AARP Houston Host Free Shredding Event**



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated in partnership with AARP Houston hosted Operation: Stop Scams to protect individuals against identity theft and fraud. Every two seconds someone's identity is stolen due to improper disposal of confidential documents. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and AARP encouraged the community to stay cautious when discarding materials at this free event.

Over 90 members of the Houston area chapters of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority unloaded boxes and bags of paper from 172 vehicles in the parking lot at Brentwood Baptist Church. Documents were dumped in huge trashcans and then emptied into ATA Shredding Services trucks for processing. When the day was 13,520 pounds of paper had been shredded.

“Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority’s focus on environmental ownership has been a core component of the Launching New Dimensions of Service administration over the last four years,” said International President, Dr. Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson. “Our ability to provide opportunities for our community to dispose of documents properly and recycle the shredded materials in a more environmentally friendly manner are crucial to the long-term sustainability of our local communities and our planet.”

“This event provided an invaluable service to the Houston community as we collectively look to protect our environment and our privacy,” said Diedra Fontaine, General Chairman, 68<sup>th</sup> International Convention.

This event was part of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority international program theme “Launching New Dimensions of Service®” under International President, Dr. Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson. The sorority is sponsoring “29 Moments of Service” worldwide leading up to the biennial conference in Houston, TX on July 6-12, 2018, where more than 20,000 members are expected to attend.

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**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 nearly 300,000 members in more than 1000 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 Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson, L.H.D., 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, visit [AKA1908.com](http://AKA1908.com).



Houston area members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at the 2018 Shred Day event.