

IOTA PHI FOUNDATION

A 501(c)(3) Non-profit Corporation

Committed to improving the quality of life for people throughout the greater Pittsburgh community through leadership, service and scholarship

A Long History of Service

The Iota Phi Foundation is the philanthropic arm of the Iota Phi Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Composed of **professional college educated African-American men**, both organizations work together at the front line of social needs by leveraging its power, influence and more than 100 years of commitment to the uplift of our people and our communities.

The Iota Phi Chapter, one of the oldest and most respected chapters of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., was **established in Pittsburgh in 1925 with the vision of improving the quality of life of people in the community by providing sustainable programs and services that positively impact their lives.**



Iota Phi Community Center

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Education, Scholarship and Family

The following highlights some of the programs offered through the Iota Phi Chapter and Iota Phi Foundation. In addition, we also have a mentoring program for African-American male youth, a talent hunt search for both male and female youth, a financial literacy program for parents, and others.

We invite you to engage with our community focused programs and help us in our fundraising efforts.



Carter G. Woodson Academy is a 6-week academy is designed to be a culturally relevant experience that offers parents and children an opportunity to see themselves through the lenses of a more accurate and more holistic depiction of history, particularly one that includes the contributions of members of the African Diaspora. (February-March)



Scholarship Program provides scholarships each school year to deserving African-American high school graduating seniors. Since 1984, over 175 young African-American men and women have received scholarships totaling more than \$350,000.



Historical Black College Tour - Since its inception over 2,000 high school juniors from the Pittsburgh area have visited 14 HBCU's annually, including Tennessee State, Fisk, Tuskegee, Norfolk State, Hampton, Virginia State, Howard, Spelman, Morehouse, and South Carolina State. Approximately 44% of the students who go on the tour enroll at an HBCU. (Spring)



Thanksgiving Baskets Program has grown to provide over 400 complete meals (turkeys and all the trimmings) each year to families throughout Larimer and the City of Pittsburgh.



Christmas Toy Give-Away party has been held at our Community Center for over 25 years. Since its creation, over 6,250 children have benefited from the gift of toys, treats, books, and photos with Santa. to hundreds of children.



So Fresh, Clean & Crispy Tour is an annual event where members of the Iota Phi chapter collaborate with professional barbers to provide free haircuts and free backpacks to males K-12. In this setting, advice is provided on how to respond to the police and other authorities in addition to general mentoring. (August)

Fun and Fundraising

The **Ron Foster Golf Tournament** was established in 1996 to raise funds for our Scholarship Fund. All proceeds support the advanced educational aspirations of deserving high school students.



Mardi Gras - This annual event is one not to be missed! (March)



Omega Labor Day Weekend - The hottest weekend of the year in Pittsburgh! Over 1000 patrons from all over the country participate!