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## **Corey J. Keeling Scholarship** *2024 Application*

**Dear Scholarship Applicant,**

The Corey J. Keeling Scholarship provides financial assistance to deserving **Roanoke Valley/New River Valley High School 2024 Seniors** in celebration of their academic excellence and contributions to their community. This assistance is a one-time scholarship award in the amount up to \$500 from the Corey J. Keeling scholarship fund.

The scholarship will be awarded in June 2024.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information or with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at [alpha.akl@gmail.com](mailto:alpha.akl@gmail.com). We look forward to working with you as we invest in our future leaders.

Sincerely

*Marlon Gunter*

Marlon Gunter - Scholarship Committee Chairperson

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### **Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.**

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first intercollegiate Greek letter fraternity established for black men was organized at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, December 4, 1906. The seven founders, whom we respectfully call the "Jewels," aspired to create a fraternity dedicated to social purpose and social action.

The fraternity's vision of academic excellence and social achievement resulted in an organization which encompasses the ideals of scholarship, manly deeds, and love for all mankind. Currently, Alpha Phi Alpha continues to grow and promote these ideals through such nationally mandated programs as "Project Alpha," "Go To High School, Go To College," "A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People," and others, which are maintained on both the undergraduate and graduate level.

The fraternity has grown steadily in influence throughout the years. It has been interracial since 1945 and has expanded tremendously to the extent that there are now approximately 800 chapters located throughout the United States, Caribbean Islands, Africa, West Indies, Europe, and Asia. Some of the more prominent sons of Alpha include the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, United States Vice President Hubert Humphrey, Hill Harper, Roland Martin, and VA Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax.

### **Alpha Kappa Lambda Chapter**

The Alpha Kappa Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was founded January 9, 1928 with brothers residing in the Roanoke and New River Valley. Since that day, the brothers of Alpha Kappa Lambda have become widely respected throughout Southwest Virginia for making a difference in the community while maintaining a steadfast commitment to manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all mankind.

### **Corey J. Keeling Scholarship**

This scholarship was created to honor the life of Corey J. Keeling who was a student from Northside High School in Roanoke, VA. He perished in a car accident after receiving this scholarship during his freshman year at VA Tech. The scholarship is designed to recognize and support prospective college students who meet specific academic and extracurricular eligibility requirements. The financial assistance is in the form of a one-time scholarship award of up to \$500.00 from the scholarship fund.



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## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS - DEADLINE - MAY 15, 2024**

**The Corey J. Keeling Scholarship respects the privacy of all applicants. The Chapter does not collect, share, or sell any of the information you provide. Please read all instructions carefully before completing this application. Failure to complete instructions will result in your application not being reviewed.**

1. Application Link: [Corey J. Keeling Scholarship](#)
  - a. <https://forms.gle/pPzAQDpDVvy8A32D8>
  - b. Cumulative 2.5 GPA or greater
  - c. Official Transcript from High School
  - d. 2 Recommendations will be required
  - e. Resume
  - f. Essay
    - i. 500 word maximum
    - ii. Include career ambitions, goals, and explain why you should be awarded the scholarship
2. Provide answers to all requests for information.
  - a. If the request does not apply to you, please indicate by filling the space with "N/A."
3. All supplemental information must be uploaded through the Application Link.
  - a. You may request for your application supplemental information to be mailed in with prior approval.
  - b. Email to request approval: [alpha.akl@gmail.com](mailto:alpha.akl@gmail.com)
  - c. **Address for approved mailed in applications**
    - i. **Alpha Kappa Lambda Chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.**
    - ii. **Attn: Marlon Gunter**
    - iii. **P.O. Box 11572, Roanoke, VA 24022**