

Gwinnett Parent Coalition

Dismantle the School to Prison Pipeline

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Parent Coalition in Gwinnett County Receives the Diversity Social Action Award

(Gwinnett County, Georgia) — On February 25, 2012 at 9 a.m., the Gwinnett Parent Coalition to Dismantle the School to Prison Pipeline (Gwinnett STOPP) will be the first recipient awarded the “Diversity Social Action Award” at the Shorty Howell Community Center in Duluth, GA, during the 2nd Annual Gwinnett County MLK Unity Breakfast.

The Diversity Social Action Award is given to an organization that has demonstrated a consistent commitment to diversity and equality through activism, volunteerism, service learning, research, community involvement and/or leadership. “We are very humbled and excited to be the first recipient of this prestigious award,” said Sharon Capers, of Gwinnett STOPP. The second annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast serves as an opportunity to celebrate the legacy of service of Dr. King and create an imperative to live out his legacy throughout our homes and our communities.

Since its founding on December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African-Americans and people of color around the world. Alpha Phi Alpha, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African-Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. On December 8, 2000, the Rho Kappa Lambda Alumni Chapter received its charter. Since its humble beginnings, the chapter has achieved an unparalleled level of excellence. In light of its relative youth and size, the men of the Rho Kappa Lambda Alumni Chapter have steadfastly shown the metro Atlanta community that while many are called, few are chosen. And those few continuously march onward and upward toward the light.

Gwinnett STOPP is a grassroots parent-led, community-centered organization focused on identifying and dismantling the school to prison pipeline in Gwinnett County; which includes parent/community education, district monitoring and accountability, and recommending national best practices. Members of the coalition, in addition to parents, include the ACLU of Georgia, the Georgia State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Rho Kappa Lambda Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and other community stakeholders. Gwinnett STOPP is an active member of the Dignity in Schools Campaign (DSC) and regularly partners with other state and local organizations.

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