

# FUTURE DAD'S PROGRAM

Composed By The Men

Of

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.



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# PURPOSE OF THE FUTURE DAD'S PROGRAM

Our calling is to set the stage for the development of a program (Future Dad's) with the target audience focusing on undergraduate men.

The mission of our program is to provide positive leadership and guiding points on helping young men realize what it takes to be a good if not great father.

Our intent is to take a proactive approach to addressing this issue. Many young men become dads without having any clue as to what it takes to be a successful father. There is no one right answer, but our program is dedicated on helping build strong men, not only for our families, but for our communities as well. We have gathered input from a variety of Omega men who have children and from those who do not have children, but have a certain perspective of what they believe a father should be like.



There are some basic points that can put a young man on the right pathway in raising a family; our Omega Future Dad's Program is here to help do that. We believe in the future of our country and it starts within our homes. Take the time to build up our brothers and grow in unity.



Bro. Robert Fairchild  
'64-Eta Sigma



# HIGHLIGHTING MEN OF OMEGA

- ❖ This next section is for identifying ideals that some men of Omega believe are crucial when raising a family and being an outstanding father.
- ❖ Focus onto what these men have gathered before you.
- ❖ Recording notes is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!**



# HIGHLIGHTING OMEGA MEN CONTINUED.....



Bro. Aquanius Freeman  
5-15-A

Future Father

“Men are the protectors of women and children at all times.”

“Not having a father constant in your life is not an excuse. One must get up and still persevere through life. Over my years growing up, I collected father figures and I took something of value from each one of those men.”

“Take the time out and create your own values for your life. Having values, sets the tone for how you want your life to be lived.”



# HIGHLIGHTING OMEGA MEN CONTINUED.....



Bro. Jaaziah Bethea  
1-11-HDD

Future Father

Men are the disciplinarians of their children while being a husband and provider to the household.”

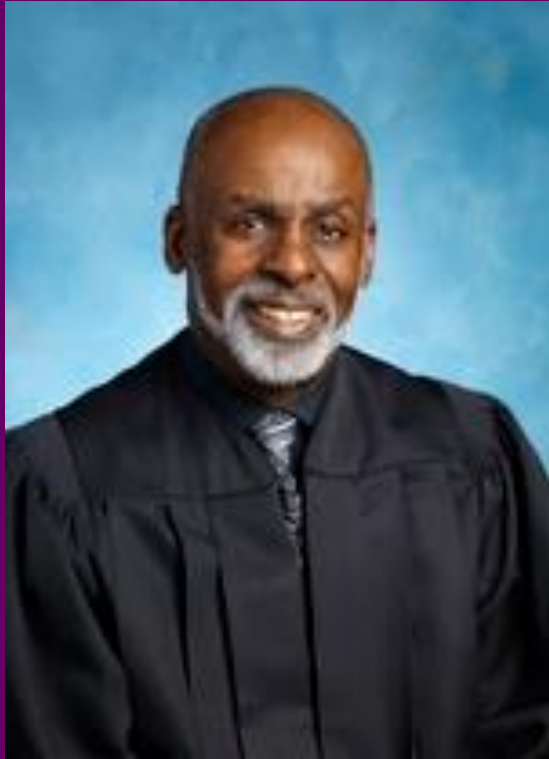
“Growing up with both of my parents allowed me to see life from a perspective of how a man is supposed to raise his children specifically his sons. I was able to see my father discipline my brothers and me to keep us on the right path.”

“My father valued his children’s futures and provided not only a roof over our heads, but also the opportunity for all of his children to attend college and excel in life.”





# HIGHLIGHTING OMEGA MEN CONTINUED.....



Bro. (Judge) Ronald B. Adrine  
9-67-Eta Psi

No Children

“Fathers should provide direction for their children—both by word and deed. They should provide the example to be emulated and the model to be followed.”

“Regardless of your personal history, once you **volunteer** to be a father, you shoulder the responsibility of providing your progeny with all the tools that **they** need to succeed! It’s your duty to figure out what those tools are.”

“Being present is half the battle for a dad. The other half is being available and willing to do whatever it takes to make sure that your children feel safe and prosper.”



TOP: BROTHERS POSE WITH SOME OF THE LUCKY WINNERS BELOW: THE YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS ARRIVE AND WAIT FOR THE ACTIVITIES TO BEGIN

# HIGHLIGHTING OMEGA MEN CONTINUED.....



Bro. Melvin L Williams , Jr.  
5-89-Iota Iota

“One of the most important days of my life was when I learned that I was going to be a father. It was news that brought a sense of excitement and anxiety. Being responsible for someone else – another me – was a daunting responsibility.”

“After the divorce, I found myself in a brotherhood of men, who no longer were viewed as traditional parents. I learned firsthand the stigma that divorced fathers faced. I experienced the painful separation from my child. Worse yet, there were few, if any, resources for fathers who wanted to maintain positive and productive relationships with their children. Fathers, many times undeservedly, were characterized as deadbeat dads. In many instances, they were deprived of access to their children and punished for exercising their rights as parents”.

“That’s why all fathers should be protectors, resourceful, ongoing, understanding, dedicated Fathers. If we are *to Proud Fathers* then we have played into the status quo”.

ONE CHILD



# HIGHLIGHTING OMEGA MEN CONTINUED.....



Bro. Al Woods  
12-05-PLL

“I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day: I'd rather one would walk with me than merely tell me the way.” Men should model for their daughters the type of man she should consider uniting with, by the example he displays in the way he treats his wife, mother, and sister(s).

In First Timothy 5:8 these words are recorded, “Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, **and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.”**”



“Stand-up, Man-up, and  
be about our Father’s business!”  
4 Children – 7 Grandchildren

# CHARACTERISTICS OF GOOD MEN

- Courageous
- Disciplined
- Possesses Leadership Qualities
- Loyal
- Devoted to Church
- Humbled
- Loving
- Joyful
- Peaceful
- Caring





# ADVICE FOR FUTURE DAD'S & MEN IN GENERAL

- Seek a mentor or a role model
- Create your own foundation
  - i. Ex: Who are you?
  - ii. What are your values in life?
- Faith in your religion
- Be the father to your child, that you didn't have in your lifetime.

“Friendship Is Essential To The Soul”

