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Greek community growth requires alumni support to meet fraternity/sorority student leader’s needs.

Fraternity and Sorority Life at IU has reached 7,100 students. The significant growth in the number of chapters and chapter sizes, coupled with higher expectations regarding the health and safety of members is creating a leadership challenge. Fraternity and sorority leaders need your moral support, advising, and sponsorship of leadership development programs.

We urge alumni to connect with their chapters and support their initiatives regarding IU becoming the safest fraternity and sorority community. If you can give financially, please consider backing IU student’s leadership development programs. A year-end gift to the Herman B Wells Greek Education Fund could provide added opportunities for more students to gain skills needed in leading positive change.

The campus in partnership with chapter leadership and alumni are working on building a culture of safety that addresses high risk alcohol abuse, sexual violence and hazing. Said more positively, the IU fraternity and sorority community has the opportunity to be the safest fraternity and sorority community and a place where students thrive academically and socially.

Our community size makes this goal even more challenging for student leaders with 7,147 members in 73 chapters dispersed among four Councils. The National Pan-Hellenic Council currently has all nine chapters active and fundraising for campus plots, the Multicultural Greek Council has nine chapters and is adding another sorority this spring, three Interfraternity Council chapters have either recently moved into a new facility or are beginning the construction phase, and the Panhellenic Association has 2000 students interested in joining this spring. The university has also opened up the opportunity for fraternity and sorority housing to purchase land for new chapter house construction.

If you have specific interest in funding the targeted leadership development program or the NPHC Plot Project please contact Dave Spencer, Director of Development for Division of Student Affairs at 812-856-7805 or daaspenc@indiana.edu.

A contribution to the Herman B Wells Greek Education Fund will help support students lead one of the largest and most prominent fraternity and sorority communities in the country. Please GIVE NOW to the HBW Fund. Your financial support makes a difference.