



Friends of Howard Watkins
ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY
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Atlanta, GA 30354

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Greetings fellow alums, family, friends, and advocates of education,

My work of mentoring, recruiting, and advocating for education continues to be my driving force. This passion led me to establish Friends of Howard Watkins, a platform designed to connect with individuals who share a commitment to education and understand the financial hurdles of college. Friends of Howard Watkins serves as a vital conduit, channeling financial assistance directly from generous donors to deserving students, ensuring that the support reaches those who need it most.

Students frequently visit the ASU Foundation and the ASU Financial Aid Office to seek assistance with housing, tuition, meal cards, travel, and fees. From my firsthand experience following the student financial awards in 2023, I know that the average student requires, additionally, approximately \$2,750.00 each semester to remain at ASU. While numerous entities within Hornets Nation are dedicated to providing resources for our students, Friends of Howard Watkins remains committed to playing its part. This is why your support is both critical and invaluable.

I have selected fourteen students to support financially this academic year, and you can make a significant impact by contributing a donation. Every dime helps. With a gift of \$500.00 or more, a student will receive a framed certificate bearing the donor's name from the Friends of Howard Watkins and Alabama State University during a brief ceremony I plan to have on the ASU Academic Mall in October 2024. If you wish to support a specific student, please refer to the attached list of candidates. All donations are tax deductible. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Gifts can be made online at www.howardwatkins.org. Simply click on Donation, select Giving, and choose Friends of Howard Watkins. Alternatively, you may mail a check payable to the Alabama State University Foundation, Inc., for the Friends of Howard Watkins Scholarship, and send it to: Howard Watkins, 3640 S Fulton Ave, Unit 1246, Atlanta, GA 30354. For other means of donating, feel free to contact me directly at (301) 523-0569. You also have the option to select the student you wish to support. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for making a difference with your generous support and commitment.

Sincerely,

Howard Watkins, '80
Founder



Andrew Body - Junior
Interdisciplinary Studies Major
ASU Football Team – Quarterback
Corpus Christi, Texas



Kyla Bolton, Freshman
Biology Major
ASU Basketball Manager
Newman, GA



Joseph Wiley Carson, Freshman
Mechanical Engineering Major
Kissimmee, Florida



Bryson N. Dotie, Freshman
Music Major
ASU Band
Rowlett, Texas



Joi Eubank, Senior
Psychology Major
ASU Residential Assistance
Baltimore, Maryland



Jadean I. Fatu, Freshman
Management Major
Pensacola, Florida



Deqavious M. Hairston, Freshman
Computer Science Major
Atlanta, Georgia



Anthony "T. J." Madlock, Senior
ASU Basketball Team
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
Hometown-Memphis, Tennessee



Caleb Daniel Martin, Sophomore
Criminal Justice Major
ASU Band
Home-Conyers, Georgia



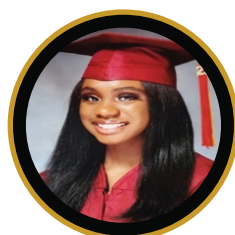
McKaylah Massey, Freshman
Mechanical Engineering, Major
ASU Basketball Manager
Hometown-Newnan, Georgia



Shuron McGee, Sophomore
Management Major
ASU Basketball Manager
Dallas, Texas



Van A. Vinson, Jr., Freshman
Mechanical Engineering
Montgomery, Alabama



Sydnee Spriggs, Sophomore
Fine Arts Degree in Dance Major
ASU Band - Dancer
Clinton, Maryland



Ja'Mais Watkins, Freshman
Marketing Major
ASU Track & Field Team
Pensacola, Florida