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THE FLOYD TURNER FOUNDATION

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FOUNDERS

The Turner Foundation, Inc. was founded by Necole Floyd-Turner ('95 College of Liberal Arts) and Felix Bertram Turner ('93 College of Business) as a way to give back to Auburn University through The Auburn University Foundation, more specifically The Office of Inclusion and Diversity. Necole is a native of Brewton, Alabama and attended Auburn on transfer via a private family endowment after being recruited by The Office of Diversity.



Felix is a native of Sylacauga, Alabama and attended Auburn as a transfer from Marion Military Institute with an Officer's Commission. Both have a passion for the educational opportunity of those who are underrepresented in various disciplines of study at Auburn. The Turner Foundation is Philanthropic in nature whose primary objective is meeting the needs of those students who have food insecurities

and providing financial literacy and wealth building education opportunities for future leaders and their families. Necole and Felix recognize the importance that generational wealth starts with education and ensuring that those who are underrepresented have the opportunity to not only attend college but fully matriculate.



ABOUT US

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The Floyd Turner Foundation's goal is to address food insecurity to college students in the Auburn/Opelika, Alabama and Metro-Atlanta area by soliciting, collecting, growing, and facilitating food distribution through a network of service agencies and programs that serve our target population groups.

Through our community partners The Floyd Turner Foundation provides resources to local university and community food pantries to provide assistance to those students who are experiencing food insecurity. These services are available to those students in the Auburn/Opelika Alabama and Metro-Atlanta area who are identified as in need.

The Foundation also provides Financial Literacy education to any university or agency that services a student population in our target population.





MISSION

At The Floyd Turner Foundation, Inc., our mission is to empower minds and build legacies through scholarship, addressing food insecurities and providing financial literacy education tools.



PROGRAMS

Our vision is to create a university and surrounding community culture that is eradicated of food insecurity, where students can fully matriculate through school without the burden of student debt and help build a community that is financially literate.

We want to capture a large percentage of the target demographic as effectively as we can. Our vision reflects values of being an organization that is focused on analyzing needs, providing targeted services and engaging thought leaders within the community.



SCHOLARSHIP

The Floyd Turner Foundation has established a Scholarship Endowment with Auburn University that provides financial assistance to students of color that are underrepresented and have need within the Colleges of Business and Liberal Arts.



In addition, in Partnership with Greater Peace Missionary Baptist Church and The Greater Peace Community Development Corporation, The Foundation has also established The Hugh Turner, Jr. Scholarship that provides scholarship in the spirit and memory of his work within the Auburn/Opelika community as the Minister of Outreach and Evangelism at Greater Peace Missionary Baptist Church.





FINANCIAL LITERACY

According to statistical research by Educationdata.org:



Black and African American college graduates owe an average of \$25,000 more in student loan debt than White college graduates.



Four years after graduation, 48% of Black students owe more than they borrowed.



Black and African American student borrowers are the most likely to struggle financially due to student loan debt, with 29% making monthly payments of \$350 or more.



FOOD INSECURITY

Food insecurity among college students is a disturbing concern and in many cases is overlooked by fellow students, faculty, administrators, and the local community. Food insecurity dramatically impacts student success through depression, anxiety, lowered concentration, and lack of energy.

These major factors negatively affect academic performance. Recent studies have indicated an average of over 40% food insecurity among all college students. Sadly, students of color are more likely to experience food insecurity than their white counterparts. This can lead to increased drop-out rates among minority students which leads to lower graduation rates. The Floyd Turner Foundation endeavors to support food insecure minority students through philanthropic initiatives and overall awareness.

Socioeconomic factors are largely responsible for this disparity. The Floyd Turner Foundation seeks to close the gap through local business partnerships to provide financial literacy education tools in the areas of banking and investing.

Education in this area is key in aiding students to eradicate student debt and helping build generational wealth thus building more financial literate communities.

