

## General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2022 Archives' Research Report

**Resolution No.:** 2022-D001  
**Title:** Resolution for Funding of The Chaplaincies at The HBCUs  
**Proposer:** Ms. Krisita Jackson  
**Topic:** Budget, Education

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### **Directly Related:** (Attached)

2006-C045 Commend Leadership of the three Historically Black Colleges  
2000-C038 Approve a Funding Increase for Historically Black Colleges  
1997-D008 On the Topic of Funding for Black Episcopal Colleges (Rejected)  
1994-D027 Appropriate Funds for Black Colleges  
1982-D125 Continue the Black Colleges Fund Raising Campaign  
1976-B117 Continue to Financially Support the Three Black Colleges

### **Indirectly Related:** (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

2018-D095 On the Topic of an Entrepreneurial Giving Program (Rejected)  
2000-D002 Appropriate Funds for Parental Programs at Historically Black Colleges  
1973-B137 On the Topic of Budget Support for Historically Black Colleges (Rejected)  
1973-D031 On the Topic of Funding Former American Church Institute Colleges (Rejected)

*In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2018, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#) or call 800-525-9329.*

# D001 - Resolution for Funding of The Chaplaincies at The HBCUs

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**Final Status:** Not Yet Finalized

**Proposed by:** Ms. Krisita Jackson

**Endorsed by:** Ms. Carrie Brown, The Rev. Kevin Matthews

**Requests New Interim Body:** No

**Amends C&C or Rules of Order:** No

**Has Budget Implications:** Yes

**Cost:** \$300,000.00

**HiA:** HD

**Legislative Committee Currently Assigned:** 11 - Evangelism & Church Planting

**Completion Status:** Incomplete

**Latest House Action:** N/A

**Supporting Documents:** No

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## Resolution Text

*Resolved*, the House of \_\_\_\_\_ concurring,

That this 80th General Convention request that the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance allocate \$300,000 from The Episcopal Church triennium budget appropriation for the funding of the Chaplaincies at Saint Augustine and Voorhees Colleges; and be it further

*Resolved*, That such monies shall be divided evenly between the Chaplaincies of Saint Augustine and Voorhees College to be utilized exclusively to fund the ministries of the Chaplaincies, and other such activities that promote the purposes of this resolution; and be it further

*Resolved*, That this General Convention directs, consistent with established policies and procedures, that The Executive Council shall direct that the appropriate offices of The TEC and their Officers with oversight of this allocation to the Chaplaincies and such offices and Officers shall report back to the General Convention in 2024 on the usage of the \$300,000 allocation; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Joint Standing Commission on Program Budget and Finance consider a budget allocation of \$300,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

## Explanation

There is a long relationship between both Saint Augustine's University and Voorhees College and The Episcopal Church, a partnership that endures today.

As each HBCU moved into the new millennium, it renewed its historical partnership with The Episcopal Church. The Church alone cannot fulfill the commission without the help of Christian institutions of learning. Conversely, Saint Augustine University and Voorhees College cannot, without the help of the Church, provide effective teaching and learning that helps its learners to proclaim that the Rule of God is at hand, to select careers that nourish people for the riches of His grace and to Glorify God in this life and in the life to come.

It is no secret that two remaining Episcopal Related HBCUs have been through a rocky time financially over the last few years. However, through effective oversight and working with The Episcopal Church, Executive Council Committee on HBCU these HBCUs have staged a remarkable turnaround -in their financial management. However, the Chaplaincies are still in need of dire financial assistance to continue to serve their core mission. The Chaplains of these two HBCUs are not afforded clergy pension contributions from their respective institutions and are not supported for participation in The Episcopal Church Medical Trust. Budget appropriations support by this resolution will provide for General Convention mandated clergy participation in The Episcopal Church pension fund and medical trust plans.

Each of the Chaplaincies strives to be a welcoming and safe place for their students and the community. Services of Holy Eucharist are held on Sundays during the academic year, where visitors hear the Word of God and partake of the sacraments.

As Episcopal Chaplaincies, each recognizes that students bring the gifts of a diversity of beliefs, experiences and talents, and they treasure this diversity. Each strives to be an inclusive and welcoming community, embracing a diversity of cultures and united through the unconditional love of Jesus Christ. The university chapel programs and religious life at Saint Augustine's University and Voorhees College are both places to study, pray, and worship together, deepening their student's faith so that they may be transforming agents sent forth to serve God in the world.



**Resolution Number:** 2006-C045  
**Title:** Commend Leadership of the three Historically Black Colleges  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred as Amended  
**Final Text:**

*Resolved, That the 75th General Convention commend the leadership of the three Historically Black Colleges of The Episcopal Church: St. Augustine's, St. Paul's, and Voorhees, for making a significant contribution and providing an Episcopal Church presence for young African-Americans of college age; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the 75th General Convention request the Joint Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to restore \$300,000 to the current budget to bring the funding to its original 2003 approved level, in the amount of \$3,807,000.*

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Columbus, 2006* (New York: General Convention, 2007), pp. 572-573.



**Resolution Number:** 2000-C038  
**Title:** Approve a Funding Increase for Historically Black Colleges  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred as Amended  
**Final Text:**

*Resolved, That the 73rd General Convention, in keeping with the established goals of the 71st General Convention, approve an increase in funding in the Program Budget for St. Augustine's, St. Paul's, and Voorhees Colleges from \$950,000 to \$2,000,000 for each year of the 2001-2003 triennium.*

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Denver, 2000* (New York: General Convention, 2001), p. 205



**Resolution Number:** 1997-D008  
**Title:** On the Topic of Funding for Black Episcopal Colleges  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Rejected  
**Text of Resolution:**

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention approve funding in the Program Budget for St. Augustine's, St. Paul's and Vorhees Colleges in the total amount of \$1,500,000 for each year of the 1998-2000 triennium; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the General Convention declares this to be among our highest mission priorities and set a goal of increasing the funding for these historically black colleges to \$2,000,000 per year by the year 2000.



**Resolution Number:** 1994-D027  
**Title:** Appropriate Funds for Black Colleges  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred As Amended  
**Final Text:**

***Resolved, That this General Convention approve funding for St. Augustine's, St. Paul's and Voorhees Colleges in the total amount of \$1,100,000 for each year of the 1995-1997 triennium; and be it further***

***Resolved, That the General Convention declares this to be among our highest mission priorities and set a goal of increasing the funding for these historically black colleges to \$2,000,000 per year by the year 2000.***

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Indianapolis, 1994* (New York: General Convention, 1995), p. 248.



**Resolution Number:** 1982-D125  
**Title:** Continue the Black Colleges Fund Raising Campaign  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred  
**Final Text:**

***Resolved, That this 67th General Convention of the Episcopal Church approves and supports the continuation of the campaign which was initiated at the 65th General Convention for the purpose of raising \$15 million--with these funds, as raised, being distributed to the three Black colleges for their endowment programs in accordance with the present plans for their maintenance and support.***

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, New Orleans, 1982* (New York: General Convention, 1983), p. C-143.



**Resolution Number:** 1976-B117  
**Title:** Continue to Financially Support the Three Black Colleges  
**Legislative Action Taken:** Concurred As Amended  
**Final Text:**

***Resolved, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota, September 11, through September 23, 1976, strongly supports the continuance of financial support through the budget at no less than the present level and, if possible, at an increased level, to Voorhees College, Denmark, South Carolina; St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina; and St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, Virginia; and be it further***

***Resolved, That financial support of these institutions be recognized as an important part of the ongoing missionary and educational work of the Church.***

**Citation:** General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Minneapolis, 1976* (New York: General Convention, 1977), p. C-8.