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TAU PI WORKING IN THE COMMUNITY

On September 4, 2025, over 12 Tau Pi chapter members participated in Back-to-School Night at Harper's Choice Middle School in Columbia, MD.

The chapter donated more than 100 colorful bookbags and an assortment of pens, pencils, markers, and notebooks. Social action initiatives have been a significant part of the chapter's influence within the Howard County community, noted Brother Bakari Kjalid, the chapter's Social Action chairman.



DR. DREW BLOOD DRIVE MANDATED PROGRAM

Blood drives are a mandated program across all chapters of Omega Psi Phi, emphasizing the fraternity's principles of Uplift and Service. For over 50 years, the Tau Pi Chapter has served Howard County with dedication, partnering in mentoring, scholarships, and health initiatives to strengthen its community impact.

The blood drive also pays tribute to Dr. Charles Richard Drew, an Omega Psi Phi brother and the "Father of Modern Blood Banking." Dr. Drew revolutionized blood transfusion and storage during World War II, designing America's first large-scale blood bank and pioneering mobile blood collections, precursors to today's bloodmobiles. His work laid the foundation for modern transfusion medicine and the ongoing partnership between Omega Psi Phi and the American Red Cross. Drew's legacy inspires Tau Pi and every Omega Psi Phi chapter to be trailblazers in healthcare advocacy.

CHAPTER HOLDS SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DRIVE

The Tau Pi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity hosted a powerful blood drive on September 6, 2025, at the Elkridge Library in Howard County, in partnership with the American Red Cross and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, collecting 34 units of blood to support sickle cell patients throughout the region.

The event upholds Omega Psi Phi's longstanding legacy as champions of health outreach and honors both the fraternity's national mandate for blood drives and the pioneering contributions of their brother, Dr. Charles Drew.