

Tracy African American Association

Application for Membership

(please Print)

\_\_\_\_ \$30 Adult Single Membership (18 Years and Over)

\_\_\_\_ \$40 Adult Couples Membership

\_\_\_\_ \$50 Family Membership (Two adults and any children under 18)

\_\_\_\_ \$15 Student Membership (Ages 13-17)

\_\_\_\_ \$100 Corporate Membership

What committee are you interested in?

See Reverse

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Profession \_\_\_\_\_

## TAAA EVENTS (PARTIAL LIST)

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH ESSAY CONTEST**– This contest is held each year to encourage teachers in Tracy’s School districts to promote the education of black history to their elementary and middles school students. Essay winners receive savings bonds as prizes. This contest allows each student to obtain perspective about the African-American journey, a prominent African-American, or the impacts and contributions of African-Americans.

**Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast**– This event is sponsored by TAAA and allows the Black Student Unions at Tracy High and West High to work together. At this event a speaker is chosen to acknowledge and recognize the achievements of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. while motivating others to participate in building up racial harmony and cultural education in our community.

**TAAA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**– For many years, the African-American community has recognized a need for improved educational opportunities for African-American youth. TAAA offers education scholarships each year to eligible students. The purpose of the scholarship is to enrich educational opportunities for college bound African-American Students in Tracy. Scholarships are given annually to high school seniors entering an accredited college or university full time.

**JUNETEENTH**- While it symbolizes the end of slavery, Juneteenth has come to symbolize for many African-Americans what the fourth of July symbolizes for all American freedom. It serves as a historical milestone reminding Americans of the triumph of the human spirit over the cruelty of slavery. It honors those African-American ancestors who survived the inhumane institution of bondage, and demonstrates pride in the marvelous legacy of resistance and perseverance they left us. This event also provides annual funding for youth scholarships.

**KWANZAA**– a non-religious African American cultural celebration, gives the community the opportunity to join in celebrating African American heritage and many important principles.

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Since 1994

## TAAA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

[www.taaa.net](http://www.taaa.net)  
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# ABOUT THE TRACY AFRICAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

**Thank you for your interest in the Tracy African American Association. We take pride in our efforts and ability to promote community awareness of African American culture, values, contribution, and history.**

## MISSION

The Tracy African American Association (TAAA), is a non profit organization established in 1994 by a group of concerned professionals seeking to form ties among African Americans and others in the Tracy community. Our mission is to create a cooperative environment that strives to unite people of all ages. We encourage active involvement in promoting, contributing, and sponsoring educational, cultural, and social activities throughout the greater Tracy community. Membership is open to any individual who shares and embraces the overall objectives of TAAA.

## BENEFITS

For those desiring to give back to the community personally or professionally, TAAA provides ample opportunities. We are continually welcoming new members who can provide a fresh perspective and contribute to our presence in the community.

The benefits of TAAA membership include:

- Member discounts and savings at local merchants
- Professional and social networking opportunities
- Participation in increasing the educational and cultural awareness in Tracy.
- Opportunity to provide critical feedback to local, state and federal officials regarding the future development of Tracy.
- An opportunity to make a lasting difference in the lives of many college bound students in the Tracy community.

## GET INVOLVED

TAAA General Meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of every month from 8:30am - 10:00 am at the Jacobson Middle School Multipurpose room. We have various committees that allow individuals and families to take an active involvement in the community. You will be encouraged in your efforts to contribute to educational, social and cultural activities.



## STANDING COMMITTEES

*Each member is strongly encouraged to join a standing committee. Please indicate your interest when completing the application.*

**Education Committee:** Create programs and events for Black History Month, Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday, Essay Contests, Black History Bowl, Scholarship Fund, Student Leadership Mentoring Program.

**Activities Committee:** Create and produce new events, programs and fundraising activities. Responsibilities include the Juneteenth Festival, Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament, the Installation Ceremonies and Grown Folks Party.

**Membership Committee:** Design and implement programs to increase TAAA membership, maintain listing of current members, update membership roster and collect membership dues.

**By-laws Committee:** Revise, amend and prepare by-laws for distribution to members and coordinate annual elections. Parliamentarian.

**Public Information Committee:** Disseminate information about TAAA and its events, programs and activities. Spokesperson for media inquiries.

**TAAA Newsletter Committee:** Oversee all aspects of the TAAA Newsletter including article formulation, editing, publishing and distribution.