

ATHENS AREA HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL, INC.

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Mission

The *Athens Area Human Relations Council, Inc.* (AAHRC) is a citizen-based organization dedicated to promoting **positive & unified** human relations in the city of Athens and abroad based upon the philosophy, teachings, and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



AAHRC Activities

- Sponsor an annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Awards Banquet recognizing the achievements of culturally diverse citizens and students
- Award area high school seniors with scholarships for post-secondary education
- Recognize and honor area citizens who are promoting positive human relations with AAHRC Service Awards
- Sponsor an Ecumenical Service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Sponsor an annual Youth Pow Wow
- Provide youth with the opportunity to participate in community activities
- Hold community forums
- Sponsor back-to-school rally for Burkland Hills Community
- Work with the local food bank to provide food for area citizens

Purpose

The organization exists to provide community leadership, support, and direction for the development of educational and social programming addressing multi-cultural relations in our community.



Goals

- Re-examine, initiate, and support actions designed to improve and bring harmony to multicultural relations in the Athens community and abroad.
- Provide a forum for concerned citizens to discuss, work together and render volunteer service to build better human relations in the community.
- Continually advocate and maintain the high idealism of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. which provides a framework for social justice for all humanity.
- Advocate actions to reduce violence in our homes, streets, and schools.
- Build relationships with individuals, groups, and organizations interested in promoting positive multicultural relations.

Background

In 1979, the Rev. David H. Nunnally, Sr., a group of Athens area citizens, and members of the Eta Iota Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, met to share ideas about continuing the work of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Their goal was to continue his dreams for non-violent social change and respect for all ethnic and cultural differences. As a result of their shared interest, an organization was formed that was dedicated to Dr. King's efforts to foster world peace through true brotherhood and sisterhood – the Athens Area Human Relations Council.



HOW DOES ONE GET INVOLVED?

Simply complete a **membership application** along with the annual membership fee and you're on your way to being a part of an exciting organization working for positive community relations!