



## Update on the NPC “Call for Critical Change” February 2018

The National Panhellenic Conference Executive Committee and executive director convened campus administrators and subject matter experts on Jan. 11, 2018, to discuss opportunities and ways to address critical issues within our Panhellenic communities. This was the first of many discussions that will take place in the coming months. Changing student culture requires collaboration and cooperation between student leaders, university officials and fraternity and sorority advisors.

Discussion topics included:

- Current climate on campuses across the country.
- The actions NPC member organizations and institutions of higher education are taking to mitigate high-risk behaviors.
- The relationship between universities and NPC member organizations.
- The reasons why universities opt to “shut down” fraternity and sorority communities when that action is typically not taken with other student organizations.

Next steps:

- One of the loudest messages from participants during the Jan. 11 gathering was “listen to the student perspective.” With that in mind, NPC is conducting student focus groups during AFLV Central, which was last weekend, NGLA and ALFV West asking questions based on the topics outlined by the VPSAs.
- NPC is partnering with LaunchPoint to provide online pre-recruitment education regarding recruitment and the sorority experience to potential new members. The program will be a 60- to 75-minute online program that College Panhellenics could require as part of the recruitment registration and preparation process. The curriculum will cover history of fraternity/sorority life, introduction of NPC and College Panhellenics, definitions, explanation of primary recruitment, benefits and expectations of membership, tips to make recruitment experience a success, etc.
- NPC also begun investigating research and data gathering collaboration opportunities.

The NPC Executive Committee is committed to continued engagement with our university partners as we work to target sustainable opportunities to address critical issues facing our Panhellenic communities.