



Dear Eagle Family and Friends,

My name is Jim C. Harper, II, and I am honored to participate in the **2021-2022 Mr. North Carolina Central University Alumni contest, representing the Durham Chapter**. This fundraising effort will help raise scholarship funds for the National Alumni Association Scholarship Program. The scholarships are provided to full-time students enrolled at NCCU, and the scholarships are renewable, if the students maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA.

I am from Mount Olive, a small town in the south eastern part of North Carolina. Mt. Olive is affectionately known as the "Pickle Capitol". I entered NCCU in 1989, after serving four years in the United States Marine Corps. As an undergraduate at NCCU, I was an active member of the Student Government Association, C.A. Jones History Club, and Bon Vivant Fashion Society. I received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History in 1994 and in 1997; I received a Master of Arts Degree in History from North Carolina Central University. In 2004 I earned my Ph.D. from Howard University.

I have been working in the Department of History at NCCU over 20 years and currently serve as the Chair and Professor of History in the Department of History. Working at NCCU has been a blessing. I get a chance to teach and motivate the new Eagles, and connect them with alumni as they prepare to enter the global workforce or enter graduate and professional programs. **Truth and Service undergird everything I do.**

The sloping hills and the verdant green were instrumental in providing many of us with a place to grow and develop skills that helped us become successful in our various fields. We became part of each other's extended family. Together, we should continue to make a commitment to support our Eagles.

Dr. Shepard stated, "Every university has a motto, "**Truth and Service**," NCCU's motto, stands as a guide for our curriculum, our policies and our day-to-day practices. It means many things. The search for truth is an unending search for a higher sense of perspective. On a more practical level, truth is information; something you must never stop seeking. Service is our purpose. Service to humanity provides a measure for everything we do. But service is also an abstract, a sound ethic upon which to base our action. In business, as well as lifestyle, our actions and interactions must be based on service to humanity."

In **Truth and Service**, I am asking you to please make a donation in support of this worthy cause. Your donation will help deserving students maintain enrollment at NCCU and earn their undergraduate degrees.

I am asking at least 200 alumni to donate \$100 in support of this fundraising effort. Other contributions are welcome. No amount is too small.

While the world that we once knew is changing before us and we look forward to a better tomorrow, let us do what we can to help our Alma Mater, Dear Ole NCC. It is our time to make a difference. **This is an act of Service.**

Checks or Money Orders should be made payable to NCCU Foundation. **It is IMPERATIVE to note on the memo line: Jim C. Harper, II to ensure proper credit is given.** Please mail all donations to:

NCCUAA Durham Chapter

C/O Jim C. Harper, II
6 North Indiancreek Place
Durham, NC 27703

You can also make your donation today using the following methods (**Type Jim C. Harper, II/Mr. NCCU Alumni Scholarship in the comments**):

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The Durham Chapter thanks you in advance for your support in this scholarship fundraiser.

As always, I wish you peace & love.

In Truth and Service,

I am,

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Eagle Pride