

Branch application questions

A. Proposed Name of Branch

The naming convention is in the format of **ASALH Organizing XYZ Branch**. Indicate if the branch is being named in honor of a symbolic/iconic figure, and identify that person and contribution made to warrant such honor. Living individuals cannot receive such honor.

ASALH Northern Virginia Branch

B. Area that the Branch will Serve

Define the geographic area and community that the branch will serve.

The ASALH Northern Virginia Branch will serve Northern Virginia which includes the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William, Stafford, and Fauquier. Additionally, the independent cities such of Alexandria, Falls Church, Fairfax City, Manassas, and Manassas Park are included in the Northern Virginia region.

C. Population

1. What is the African American population of the proposed service area? **321,063**
2. What is the total population of the proposed service area? **2,736,223**

D. Members Interested in Forming a Branch

List the members who will be working together to create the branch along with their contact information and affiliations. A minimum of 8 members in good standing is required as an Organizing Branch.

Name	Email	Phone #	Affiliation
30 Joseph P. Boutte	joe.boutte@qtausa.com	703-869-9700	Member
40 Harvey Woodson	HLWoodson@aol.com	703-772-0177	Member
50 Gillis Taylor	mcki_99@yahoo.com	703-269-7644	Member
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90 Brian Morrison	drmorrison@watkinse ducation.org	443-977-0218	Member
: 0 Nemata Blyden	Nemata@virginia.edu"	571-247-7925	Member

E. Community Interest

Are there any community and/or institutional organizations interested in supporting and/or engaging with the proposed branch? Please explain.

- George Mason University – African and African American Studies Program
- Northern Virginia Community College – Woodbridge and Alexandria Campuses
- Prince William County Human Rights Commission
- Prince William County Historical Commission
- Freedom Museum (Manassas)
- Prince William County Black History Committee

F. Membership

Briefly describe how you will ensure that the membership level does not fall below 8 members as an Organizing Branch.

To ensure that the membership level does not fall below 8 members as an organizing branch, we will maintain year-round engagement and outreach across Northern Virginia through a combination of public programs, strategic partnerships, and targeted recruitment. Our approach includes, hosting quarterly public education events, building relationships with schools, universities, Divine Nine chapters, and local museums, partnering with libraries, churches, civic organizations, and cultural institutions, and creating a welcoming and active membership culture.

G. Leadership Roles

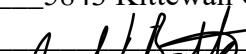
Are there at least three (3) of the interested members listed above who are committed to assuming leadership roles on an organizing committee to advance the branch to charter status?

Yes, Dr. Joseph P. Boutte, Mr, Harvey L. Woodson, and Rev. Gillis Taylor. Additionally, the attached list of interested founding members are committed to establishing, supporting, and growing the proposed branch to charter status.

H. Additional Information

Establishing an ASALH branch in Northern Virginia is both timely and vital. As debates intensify over how history is taught and remembered, this branch will serve as a platform to preserve, promote, and defend the truth of African American experiences. Located near the nation's capital and home to a growing and diverse population, Northern Virginia is strategically positioned to become a hub for community education, scholarly exchange, and youth engagement on Black history.

Your Information

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 Signature: 

Submit completed form to the Vice President for Membership at VPformembership@asalh.org