



William J. Stanley, III Award

The Founder

William J. Stanley, III is a fourth generation Atlantan. A product of the Atlanta Public School System, he matriculated at the Georgia Institute of Technology and in 1972 became the first black graduate of its College of Architecture. While at Tech, he distinguished himself as a campus leader, scholar and student activist. As a student he was a founder of the GA Tech Afro American Association, the Techwood Tutorial, the Techwood Food Distribution Program and the Dual Degree Engineering program with Georgia Tech and the Atlanta University Center. For seventeen years he was an instructor in that program. He later was instrumental in the development of a similar program in Architecture with Morris Brown College, Georgia Tech and the Atlanta University Center.

The Humanitarian

Every year since 1987, the Stanley and Love-Stanley, P.C. has sponsored two scholarships/internships in Architecture to students of African descent at Georgia Tech. Additionally, each summer Elementary, Middle and High School students are given internships in the firm. Mr. Stanley's love for young people is evident in the numerous programs that he has initiated, sponsored or supported. Mr. Stanley is the past President of the 100 Black Men of Atlanta, Architectural Record Magazine Advisory Board, Georgia Institute of Technology National Advisory Board and Alumni Association Trustee; past National President of the National Organization of Minority Architects; Executive Board of Leadership Atlanta; the National Board of Planned Parenthood Federation of America; Southwest YMCA Board; St. Paul A.M.E. Church Trustee and Steward Boards; Herndon Foundation Board; Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity Kappa Boulé and numerous others too lengthy to mention.

The Award

Mr. Stanley has exhibited the need for and importance of cultivating an environment where value is placed upon leadership and service within the African American community at Georgia Tech and beyond. In honor of William J. Stanley, III the African American Student Union recognizes a member of the campus community who engages in exemplary leadership and service.