

PRODUCTIVE PEOPLE IN ACTION: PVAMU PANTHERS ADVOCATE AT THE CAPITOL

Student leaders, alumni, and academic department representatives help guide the University's initiative.

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (February 19, 2025) - Prairie View A&M University proudly announces the successful conclusion of its annual PVAMU Day at the Capitol, held on February 18 at the Texas State Capitol in Austin. This significant event saw current students and alumni advocating for the University's legislative agenda for 2025 and articulating its strategic vision.

Event Highlights:

- Advocacy in Action: Students and alumni engaged with state representatives, sharing personal experiences and insights to advocate for essential funding and resources.
- **Legislative Priorities:** Key discussions focused on restoring institutional enhancement funding, strengthening the research enterprise, expanding public and allied health programs, and the study and prevention of juvenile delinquency, youth incarceration, mental health, and family issues.
- Exclusive Performances: The event featured special performances in the State Capitol Rotunda by the
 Prairie View A&M Jazz Band and members of the nationally renowned PVAMU Concert Chorale, the flagship
 choral ensemble of the University's Department of Music and Theatre. Visitors, legislators, and a large
 contingent of the PVAMU community looked on in amazement as the students performed rousing renditions
 of the Star-Spangled Banner and Lift Every Voice and Sing with pitch-perfect precision. The concert lasted
 one hour.
- Strategic Alignment: The event underscored PVAMU's commitment to President Tomikia P. LeGrande's Strategic Plan 2035, "Journey to Eminence," by investing in people, advancing research, and fostering social responsibility.

For more details, including photos and video highlights that can be used in news stories recapping the event, please visit the <u>link</u> provided. For further information, contact Liz Faublas-Wallace, Communications Specialist in the Office of Marketing and Communications.

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