



## **Empowering Males to Build Opportunities For Developing Independence (EMBODI)**

EMBODI was established under the leadership of the 24<sup>th</sup> National President, Cynthia M. A. Butler-McIntyre and is designed to address the educational, social and emotional obstacles that hinder the development of our youth. Program activities and events will focus on the mind, body and soul of a young man, to include cultural/academic enrichment, boosting self-confidence, and identifying the challenges that stifle our youth.

The objective of the EMBODI program is to serve as a motivational and empowerment tool that targets young African American males. Our goal is to cultivate a personal vision for their lives, promote awareness of college and career opportunities, to provide tools and resources to enable success and independence. The EMBODI Program works collaboratively with positive, African-American-oriented male organizations and community volunteers.

NoVAC's EMBODI program focuses on males between the ages of 14 – 18 and/or grades 9 – 12 in the Northern Virginia area.

EMBODI is designed for:

- Young men who need guidance, support and skills to achieve success.
- Young men who have an interest and desire to develop leadership skills.
- Young men who have a desire to or is actively pursuing college and/or career options.
- Young men who are interested in obtaining the tools necessary for building opportunities for developing independence.

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