

YOU CAN HELP! WRITE TO YOUR CONGRESSIONAL REPS TO SUPPORT THIS BILL.

The Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act (H.R. 1548/S. 713)

Rising enrollment is creating severe housing shortages on college campuses nationwide, with many institutions forced to put students into private hotels, dormitory lounges and triple resident rooms. Post-secondary enrollment will increase 15% from 1999-2011 as a “baby boomlet” peaks in 2008, when 2.1 million students will be enrolled in colleges and universities nationwide.

Greek Housing is a Key Source of Collegiate Housing. The housing shortage would be even worse without fraternities and sororities, who are the nation’s largest not-for-profit student landlords, operating several billion dollars in housing for more than 250,000 students each year at no cost to the host institutions. Fraternal housing, like the housing provided by host institutions, offers students a living and

- Ø ***Encourage new charitable contributions to improve current collegiate housing***, thereby preserving and upgrading existing housing capacity and helping construct the new housing capacity needed to accommodate rapidly growing student populations.
- Ø ***Result in safer student housing*** by enabling fraternities and sororities to fund the installation of modern life safety equipment such as fire sprinklers, smoke detectors and alarm systems.
- Ø ***Promote a private-sector solution*** to protect and preserve public investments in higher education institutions and the students themselves.