Our Mission
The mission of NABA, Inc. is to address the professional needs of its members and to build leaders that shape the future of the accounting and finance profession with an unflinching commitment to inspire the same in their successors.

History
NABA was founded in December 1969 by nine African-American accountants in the New York area, who decided that there was a need for a professional organization of minority accountants. Their goal was to establish a national organization that forthrightly and effectively dealt with the unique challenges faced by the growing number of African-American professionals in the world of accounting.

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LOCAL PROGRAMS
NABA NY’s programs are devoted to the development of its diverse membership base of approximately 900 professional and student members – complimented by over 15 student chapters, on college campuses throughout New York State. For more than 40 years, NABA NY has been recognized for its commitment to professional development and community service. Programs sponsored by NABA NY include career development seminars, speakers’ bureaus, technical seminars (eligible for continuing professional education credits), student scholarships, student and professional employment programs, student mentorship programs, and our annual scholarship and awards dinner. These programs also serve as a mechanism for our partners to gain a competitive advantage by sourcing diverse candidates, enhancing employee development, and building brand recognition. The following information highlights our “Year in Review”:

- **36th Annual Scholarship and Awards Dinner** – In 2016, with the help of our partners, we awarded more than $33,000 in scholarships to outstanding student members who have excelled academically. We also recognized professional members and corporate partners that tirelessly serve and support NABA NY (Premier Sponsor, New York Life)
- **Professional Development Programs** – We provided technical and skills development sessions to help professional members and students build the skills they need to succeed, including opportunities to network with a diverse group of industry leaders and peers. Attendance ranged from 50 to 300 people and some of the sessions offered were:
  - Networking & Relationship Building 201 (hosted by American Express)
  - Diversity & Women’s Power Breakfast (hosted by Bank of America)
  - “Step Up and Stand Out” (hosted by Pfizer)
  - NABA NY’s 9th Annual Reflect & Inspire (hosted by JP Morgan Chase)
  - NABA NY’s 2nd Annual Men of NABA (hosted by Goldman Sachs)
  - NABA NY’s 5th Annual Women of NABA Forum (hosted by Morgan Stanley)
  - NABA NY Golf Outing & Networking at Fiddler’s Elbow (EisnerAmper lead sponsor)
  - A General Accounting Update (hosted by KPMG)
  - Black Executive Roundtable (hosted by EY)
- **Student Development and Workshops** – NABA NY worked with our partners to provide training to assist college students in resume writing, interviewing, workforce transition, and leadership skills, as well as, Financial Literacy training to hundreds of high school students. Some highlights from the year include:
  - 9th Annual Case Study Competition (hosted by Deloitte)
  - Annual Pre-Conference Training Seminar (hosted by EY)
  - Student Officer Training (New York Life hosted in Fall and PwC hosted in Spring)
  - Semi-Annual CAMA (Center for Advancement of Minority Accountants) – CAMA was established by NABA in 1989 to attract and advance talented minorities within accountancy, finance and other related careers in business and academia. (Fall CAMA hosted by EisnerAmper and Spring CAMA hosted by Morgan Stanley)
- **Community Service** – As a not-for-profit volunteer organization, NABA NY recognizes the importance of giving back to the community. In the last fiscal year, we packaged over 2,500 meals and delivered over 500 meals to those in need through Meals on Wheels and helped raise more than $7,000 for the March of Dimes and AIDS Walk NY.
- **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)** – VITA tax preparation assistance provides free tax return services by trained NABA volunteers. In the past four years, NABA NY Chapter has prepared over 1,900 returns that generated more than $2.1 million in Federal refunds, and over $0.5 million in New York State refunds. For the 2016 fiscal year, we are thankful to our corporate partners (Deloitte, EY, KPMG, and Bank of America) for providing training, laptops, office supplies, and volunteers.
- **Membership Drives & Member Appreciation Events** – sponsored throughout the year by our partner firms to grow our membership and provide opportunities to connect

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