

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

A Public Service Sorority Founded in 1913

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FACT SHEET

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

- Private, non-profit organization that provides assistance and support through established programs in communities throughout the world
- Founded on January 13, 1913 by 22 collegiate women at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Services

- Provides scholarships
- Provides support to the underserved
- Educates and stimulates participation in the establishment of positive public policy
- Highlights issues and provides solutions for problems in their communities

Programs

Delta Sigma Theta's major programs are based upon the organization's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust, which consists of:

- Economic Development
- Educational Development
- International Awareness and Involvement
- Physical and Mental Health
- Political Awareness and Involvement

Some of the Sorority's national programs and initiatives include:

- The Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy
- Delta GEMS: Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully
- EMBODI (Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for Developing Independence)
- Delta Days in the Nation's Capital
- Delta Days at the United Nations
- The Healthy Lifestyle Initiative- The Total Woman: Mind, Body and Spirit
- Financial Fortitude
- Project ART: Actively Redefining Together
- Water Tanks and Wells

Organizational Structure

- Governed by the Grand Chapter, which meets in National Convention biennially
- Regional Conferences held in 7 geographic regions during non-convention years
- Policies implemented and established by elected and appointed members of the National Executive Board
- Paid professional staff, under the leadership of the Executive Director, operates the National Headquarters office in Washington, D.C.
- Activities conducted in accordance with the rules that govern organizations whose tax status is 501 (c)(7)