

Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter Washington, D.C. "Where it all Began"



Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter and Women of the Dove Foundation Victor D. Bosier Memorial Book Scholarship

On January 16, 1920, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was founded on the campus of Howard University by five visionary women who dared to depart from the traditional coalitions for black women and sought to establish a new organization based on the precepts of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood and Finer Womanhood.

In furtherance of the vision of the founders, Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter was chartered on March 26, 1994. Since its chartering almost 32 years ago, Omicron Phi Zeta chapter members have supported a variety of causes and organizations, in addition to the Sorority's national initiatives. Omicron Phi Zeta is an award-winning chapter for its commitment to Z- HOPE (Zetas Helping Other People Excel) projects, involvement with its youth auxiliary and Undergraduate Chapter, Xi Sigma at The George Washington University.

The Women of the Dove Foundation (WDF) is the 501(c)3 organization that partners with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter. WDF is dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals and families in local, national, and global communities. Every year, the foundation sponsors events to raise funds for WDF scholarships and other charitable causes.

We are pleased to announce the 2026 Victor D. Bosier Memorial Book Scholarship. Victor D. Bosier was a member of the Zeta Male Network of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter, Washington, DC. He was an alum of DeMatha Catholic High School and dedicated 37 years of service to the International Monetary Fund in Washington, DC. While Mr. Bosier exhibited the characteristics of dedication, humility, kindness, and respect. He unselfishly shared his love and passion for photography and graphic arts. Mr. Bosier had a strong passion for encouraging people to see beauty in the world through the camera lens. To continue his legacy, this scholarship, named in his honor, will be awarded to a male student enrolled in an institution of higher learning in the Fall of 2026. The institution may include a community college, four-year college or university, or trade school. Scholarship awardees will be notified by May 1, 2026, of their selection to receive a scholarship. The award recipient or representative of the awardee must be available June 7, 2026, to attend the reception to accept the award.

THE SCHOLARSHIP

This book scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1000.00 to one (1) student graduating from high school or currently enrolled in an accredited community college, four-



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year college or university or trade school. The student must also be enrolled in the Fall 2026 academic semester. Proof of attendance must be on the community college/university/college/trade school letterhead, with your student identification number and the address to the financial aid department, must be received by email or postmarked by mail by August 22, 2026, to receive the scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

Each applicant must:

- Be a male resident of the DC Metropolitan area (to include Washington, D.C.; Alexandria, VA; Arlington County, VA; Fairfax County, VA; Falls Church, VA; Prince William County, VA and Prince Georges County, MD; Montgomery County, MD; or Charles County, MD);
- Be a graduating male high school student in academic school year 2025-2026, or returning male college student in the Fall of 2026 (sophomore, junior, or senior) at an accredited community college, four-year college, university, trade school, or institution at the end of the 2025-2026 academic school year;
- Majoring in art design, graphic arts or photography; and
- Have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 or above at the time of application submission.

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following items:

- 1. Completed typed written (legible print) or computer-generated application form.
- 2. A 250-word essay addressing one of the following topics:
 - a. What role does art or photography play in your life? How have your artistic or photographic skills evolved over time?
 - b. How do you see your art or photography contributing to the world at large or your community?
 - c. Do you think receiving this scholarship will help you to achieve your artistic or photographic goals?
- 3. A current, official (sealed) copy of your community college, four-year college, university, or trade school transcript. An electronic unofficial transcript is also acceptable.
- 4. A 150 200-word biographical (bio) statement.
- 5. Two (2) letters of recommendation. Recommendations can be obtained from a current or former teacher, guidance counselor, principal, pastor, employer, coach, or extracurricular activities director. *Please note that ALL recommendations must be received by the due date for your application package to be reviewed.*



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6. Application Package Completion Checklist.

DEADLINE

- The application package is due on **April 5**, **2026**, **at 11:59 pm**.
- Incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered. Please submit all materials together including the Application Package Completion Checklist. **Please proofread your applications. Visit https://www.grammarly.com/ for assistance.**
- If you choose to mail the scholarship package, it must be postmarked by **April 5**, **2026**. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications via email to avoid any delays.

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The Application package can be e-mailed to <u>Scholarships@ophizdc.org</u> or mailed to post office box:

Women of the Dove Foundation P.O. Box 23721 Washington, D.C. 20026

If you choose to mail the **scholarship package**, it must be **emailed or postmarked by April 5, 2026**. It is encouraged that applicants submit their application via email. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. Should you have questions regarding the application, please contact us at this e-mail address: Scholarships@ophizdc.org.

Remember the <u>proof of attendance</u> must be on the university/college letterhead, with your student identification number and the address to the financial aid department, <u>must be received by email or postmarked by mail by August 22, 2026, to receive the awarded scholarship amount.</u>

Scholarship application essay scoring will follow the guidelines below:

ESSAY SCORING RUBRIC				
COMPONENT	EXPLANATION	MAXIMUM POINTS		
Adherence To Application Rules	The applicant follows the stipulations regarding format and number of words.	20		
Comprehension	The essay reflects a thorough understanding of the topic.	20		
Originality	The essay presents creative ideas regarding the topic.	20		
Conventions	Proper grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation.	20		
Organization	Sequencing of details are effective and logical.	20		



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Application Completion Package Checklist

To ensure a complete application package, check off each item as included to avoid disqualification.

Completed typed, written (legible print) or computer-generated application form
 A 250-word essay addressing one of the following topics: What role does art or photography play in your life? How have your artistic or photographic skills evolved over time? How do you see your art or photography contributing to the world at large or your community? How do think receiving this scholarship will help you to achieve your artistic or photographic goals?
A current, official (sealed) copy of your community college, college, university, or trade school transcript. An electronic unofficial transcript is also acceptable.
A 150 – 200 word bio.
Two (2) letters of recommendation. Recommendations can be obtained from a current or former teacher, guidance counselor, principal, pastor, employer, coach, or extracurricular activities director.
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 *Please note: Please note that ALL recommendations must be received by April 5, 2026, by 11:59 pm for your application package to be considered complete and eligible for review.
**Do not check this box if all recommendations are not included in this package at the time of submission.