

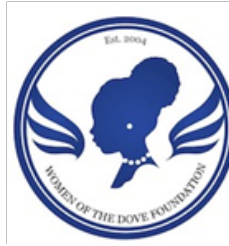


Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter

Washington, D.C.

“Where it all Began”



Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter and The Women of the Dove Foundation

Omolaja M. Olukunle “Helpful Heart” 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, the 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 local causes and organizations, in addition to the Sorority's national initiatives. Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter has won numerous awards for its commitment to Z-HOPE™ projects, involvement with its youth auxiliary and undergraduate chapter, Xi Sigma, at The George Washington University.

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

Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated and The Women of the Dove Foundation are pleased to announce the *2026 Omolaja M. Olukunle “Helpful Heart” Scholarship*. This scholarship will be awarded to a male high school senior who will be pursuing a degree in Nursing.

THE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship will be awarded to one male high school student in the amount of \$500 to help cover tuition, board, books and supplies. Specifically, he must be a resident of and will graduate from a District of Columbia or Metropolitan area High School at the end of the 2025-2026 academic school year. The student must plan to enroll in an Historically Black College or University (HBCU) or a trade school in the Fall 2026 academic year. The Awardee will be notified on or by **May 1, 2026**, of their selection to receive the scholarship. The award recipient or representative of the awardee must be available **June 7, 2026**, to attend the reception to accept the award. Proof of attendance must be on the university/college letterhead, with your student identification number and the address to the financial aid department, must be received by email or postmarked by mail no later than **August 22, 2026**, to receive the disbursement.



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ELIGIBILITY

Each applicant must:

- Be a male resident of the District of Columbia or surrounding Metropolitan area (Prince George's County, Montgomery County, Charles County, Alexandria, Fairfax County and Loudon County);
- Graduating from an accredited high school in the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area at the end of the 2025-2026 academic school year; and
- Have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.00 or above at the time of application submission.

Consideration will be given to those with financial need, academic achievement and service to community.

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following items:

1. A Completed typed, written (legible print), or computer-generated application form.
2. A 250-word essay that answer two questions:
 - a. Why is it important for males to pursue careers in nursing?
 - b. What's your 10-year plan for this career?
3. A copy of the student's acceptance letter.
4. A current, official (sealed) copy of your high school transcript. An electronic unofficial transcript is also acceptable.
5. A 150–200-word bio.
6. 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.***
7. The Application Package Completion Checklist.

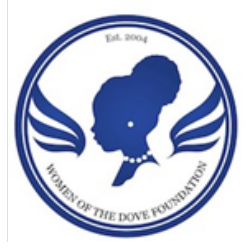
DEADLINE

- The Application package is due by **April 5, 2026, at 11:59 pm.,**. Email all documents to: **Scholarships@ophizdc.org**. Enter **The Omolaja M. Olukunle “ Helpful Heart” Scholarship** in the subject line.
- *Incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered. This includes ALL recommendations. Please ensure your recommendations are received prior to the due date. Please proofread your applications. Visit <https://www.grammarly.com/> for assistance.*



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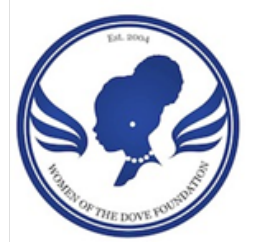
- If you choose to mail the scholarship package, it must be postmarked **by April 5, 2026**. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications via email to avoid any delays.

CONTACT INFORMATION					
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	
Street Address					
City		State		Zip Code	
Telephone Number			E-mail Address		
Parent/Guardian's Name					
ACADEMIC INFORMATION					
Current High School					
Street Address					
City		State		Zip Code	
Cumulative G.P.A.					
College/University/Trade School You Plan to Attend:					
Have you been accepted?		☐ Yes		☐ No	
Will you be receiving financial aid for the Fall of 2026?				☐ Yes ☐ No	
Have you applied for other scholarships? ☐ Yes ☐ No					
If yes, please list organization and award amount. If not, enter N/A.					
SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES					
Activity	Organization	Dates of Participation		Positions Held	



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HONORS/AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS		
Honor/Award/Recognition	Given By	Date

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

I certify that information submitted in this application is accurate. I have not plagiarized, nor given false statements in this application. I also understand that if selected for this award, I will be required to submit proof of enrollment from my educational institution prior to scholarship funds being dispersed.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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

Women of the Dove Foundation
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Washington, D.C. 20026



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Remember the proof of attendance must be on the university/college 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 awarded scholarship amount.

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	The use of proper grammar, spelling, capitalization, and punctuation.	20
Organization	Sequencing of details are effective and logical.	20

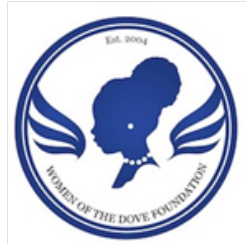


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Application Completion Package Checklist

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

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	<i>*Please note that ALL recommendations must be received by April 1, 2026, by 11:59 pm for your application package to be considered complete and eligible for review.</i>
	<i>**Do not check this box if all recommendations are not included in this package at the time of submission.</i>



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