

Omicron Phi Zeta Chapter Washington, D.C.



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# 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 31 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<sup>TM</sup> 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 *2025 Omolaja M. Olukunle "Helpful Heart" Scholarship*. This scholarship will be awarded to a male high school senior who is will be pursuing a degree in Nursing.



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#### 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 2024-2025 academic school year. The student must plan to enroll in an Historically Black College or University (HBCU) or a trade school in the Fall 2025 academic year. The Awardee will be notified on or by **March 1, 2025,** of their selection to receive the scholarship. The award recipient or representative of the awardee must be available **March 22, 2025,** 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 **September 20, 2025**, to receive the disbursement.

#### **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 2024-2025 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.



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#### **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?

    And
  - (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; and
- 7. The Application Package Completion Checklist.

#### **DEADLINE**

• The Application package is due by **February 9, 2025, at 11:59 pm,**. Email all documents to: **Scholarships@ophizdc.org.** Enter **The Omolaja M. Olukunle "Helpful Heart" Scholarship** in the subject line.



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- **Incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered**. Please submit all materials together including the Application Package Completion Checklist. Please proofread your applications.
- If you choose to mail the scholarship package, it must be postmarked **by February 9, 2025**. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications via email to avoid any delays.

CONTACT INFORMATION				
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Last Name	First Name		Middle Name	
Street Address				
City	Stat e		Zip Code	
Telephone Number	E	-mail Address		
Parent/Guardian's Name	e			
	ACADEI	MIC INFORMAT	ION	
Current High School				
Street Address				
City	Stat e		Zip Code	
Cumulative G.P.A.			-	
College/University You Plan to Attend:				
Have you been accepted?	Yes	No		



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Will you be received of 2025?	ing financial aid for the	e Fall	Yes	No
	for other scholarships?			
If yes, please list o	rganization and award			
	SCHOOL AND	) COMMUNI'	TY ACTIVITIES	
Activity	Organization	Dates of	f Participation	Positions Held
	HONORS/A	WARDS/REC	COGNITIONS	
Honor/Awar	d/Recognition	G	Given By	Date



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#### 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 <u>Scholarships</u> office box:	s@ophizdc.org or mailed to post
Women of the Dove Found	ation
P.O. Box 23721	

If you choose to mail the scholarship package, it must be **postmarked by February 9**, **2025.** 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: <u>Scholarships@ophizdc.org.</u>

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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 September 20, 2025, to receive the awarded scholarship amount.



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# Scoring for the Scholarship application essay 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		



Name of Applicant:

### Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

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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 to answer two questions:
(a) Why is it important for males to pursue careers in nursing?  And
(b) What's your 10-year plan for this career?
A current, official (sealed) copy of your high school transcript. An electronic unofficial transcript is also acceptable.
A copy of the student's acceptance letter from their respective school.
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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