**Did You Know?**

*Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was founded in 1913 by 22 college students at Howard University in Washington, D.C. These women wanted to use their collective strengths to promote academic excellence and to provide assistance to those in need. In March of 1913, the Founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. performed their first public act when they participated in the Women’s Suffrage March in Washington, D.C. To date, more than 300,000 college-educated women have joined the sisterhood of more than 1000 chapters world-wide.*

**We are EPAC!**

*Eastern Panhandle Alumnae Chapter (EPAC) was chartered in April 2007. EPAC strives to promote academic excellence; to provide scholarships; to provide support to the underserved; to educate and stimulate participation in the establishment of positive public policy; and to highlight issues and provide solutions for problems within its service area of Berkeley and Jefferson Counties.*

[Link to EPAC website]

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established community programs in local communities throughout the world. A sisterhood of more than 300,000 predominately Black, college educated women, the Sorority currently has over 1000 chapters located throughout the United States, Canada, England, Japan, Germany, the Virginia Islands, Bermuda, Asia, the Republic of Korea, and the Middle East. The major programs of the Sorority are based upon the organization’s Five Point Programmatic Thrust:

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

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A FEW EPAC SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

Scholarship Programs & Service Awards - Delta Days in the Nation's Capital - Voter Education and Registration Drives - Candidate and Debate Forums - Healthy Lifestyle Initiatives - Social Action Initiatives - Delta GEMS Degrees Not Debt - Scholarship 101 & Financial Aid 101 - Pillowcase Project & Beyond the Pillowcase Project Arts and Letters Red Carpet Events - Jazz Brunch and Silent Auction - Bingo Bash Stop Cyber-bullying and Sexting Campaigns - Census Education Programs

SCHOLARSHIP & SERVICE:
Each year at its signature Jazz Brunch and Silent Auction event, EPAC awards Scholarships to deserving high school seniors who have distinguished themselves through academic excellence and outstanding public service. In addition, EPAC leverages donations made to the Delta Foundation, a 501c(3) non-profit entity, to fund these scholarships, as well as pledges made from perpetual annual donors. Since 2008, EPAC has awarded more than 25 scholarships to students from Berkeley and Jefferson Counties.

YOUTH INITIATIVES:
Delta GEMS was created to mentor African American adolescent girls ages 14-18. The program offers a road map for college and career planning by conducting activities that provide opportunities for self-reflection, individual growth, academic excellence, and goal setting. Degrees Not Debt is an EPAC program co-sponsored by Shepherd University Upward Bound Program to provide information about scholarships, financial aid, and general financial planning to address the rising costs of secondary education.

SOCIAL ACTION:
At its heart, social action is grassroots work within the community to effect positive change in the lives of everyday people. EPAC focuses its social action efforts on Voter Education and Registration, Legislative Advocacy, Candidate Forums, and other events centered on meeting candidates for office. EPAC is also focused on Coronavirus Relief, awareness and participation in the national census, and programs advocating social and economic justice reforms.

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