



## ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY to BETTER the MAN.

### CHARITY FACILITATOR DISCUSSION GUIDE

TBTM describes a gentleman as,

“He is charitable in the broadest sense of the word. A man who strives for a life of charity and service is more patient, kinder, and more forgiving of the flaws of others. A charitable man sacrifices of himself to help others and seeks no recognition in return. He is humble, reverent, and generous.” Charity is part of our everyday lives. We are shown charity on multiple different levels, and we are asked to display charity through our time, talent, and money to help others who cannot help themselves. We must ask ourselves, “How do I take the time to help?”

Why do you think that charity was, and continues to be, so important to the Brotherhood and fraternity? Why is it so important that it is listed as one of the five Values?

With the so many stories in the news about greed and corruption, why are the charitable deeds always ignored? Could this be that most charitable deeds are performed, not for fame, but rather just to better the lives of others? Do you feel that too much self-promotion distracts negatively toward the overall Charity? Is it wrong to report your organization’s acts of charity?

Little things lead to big things, just like building trust. If a brother does the small charitable things right, how does that affect the chapter? How do we display Charity in our day-to-day lives? How do we practice charity on different levels? What are some examples of daily charity, small or large? (if no response, suggest helping change a tire, loaning a pen, listening to someone’s problems, etc.).

Given that charity generally takes time to perform, do you feel this presents a challenge in our modern society? When someone asks you for your time, and you answer that you don’t have the time; do you not actually have the time, or do you actually not have the energy? Do you feel that this is used too often as an excuse? How are time and energy totally different things?

How can exercising Charity help the Fraternity, the chapter, and the individual? How does Charity relate to the other Values?

Do you think it is possible to be charitable as an organization, but not charitable in your individual actions and daily life? Or vice versa?

We almost all have had pets. Should act to help those in need or mistreated? Does exercising charity with animals help you empathize with humans? Is time caring for these animals considered Charity? Does it make a Better World, or a Better Man of us? Our Charity partner is The Humane Society, not so much on the national level, but locally. What can we do to demonstrate Charity?

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