

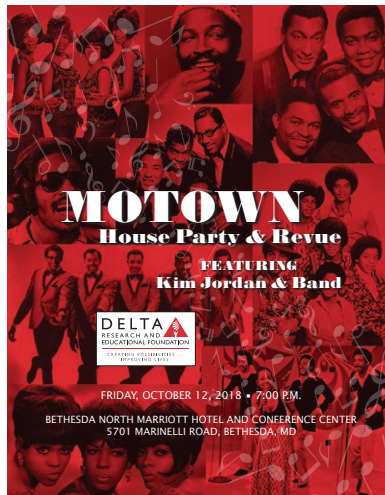
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Thank You for Supporting Motown Fundraiser

The Delta Research and Educational Foundation Board of Directors and Staff extend appreciation to individuals, organizations, and companies that supported its recent fundraiser, which featured Kim Jordan's Motown House Party and Revue. Held last fall in collaboration with ProSounity Music Entertainment at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference, the event took the audience down memory lane with the chart-topping songs of Motown—the record company that made its mark on the music industry and created social change in America.

Award-winning musician and former directory of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority National Convention Choir, Kim Jordan

and Band presented a multi-media Motown House Party and Revue. The performance include vocals and instrumentation, video, and dance selections. To the audience's overwhelming pleasure, the band played the classic hits by the Supremes, the Temptations, Smokey Robinson and the Miracles, Martha Reeves and the Vandellas, the Jackson Five, the Four Tops, Marvin Gaye, the Commodores and others. Joining the band on vocals was a special appearance by Marcia Butler Holt, a former co-chair of the Sorority's National Commission on Arts and Letters and current member of Nashville Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter, and Ka-Ba Soul Singer of Washington, D.C.



Cover of Motown House Party & Revue program features legendary recording artists.

Jacqueline C. Hrabowski Establishes Scholarship Fund at DREF

In commemoration of her 50th anniversary as a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Jacqueline C. Hrabowski established a scholarship fund at DREF in 2018. The fund was created with a \$50,000 donation from the 50-year Delta member to benefit students from the Baltimore, MD area, where she resides and holds membership in the Baltimore Alumnae Chapter. The scholarship was established in collaboration with her local Delta chapter and is named the *Baltimore Alumnae Jacqueline C. Hrabowski Scholarship Fund*.



Jacqueline C. Hrabowski

An active community volunteer and advocate of mentoring and child development initiatives, Mrs. Hrabowski is a retired Vice President of Corporate Community Involvement at the T. Rowe Price Group, the Baltimore-based investment

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DTEC-TAG Presents Final Institute in April

The Delta Teacher Efficacy Campaign (DTEC) and Teachers Advocating to lead Great change (TAG) will present the third and final training session of the TAG Policy Institute on April 5-7, 2019 in Washington, D.C. TAG is an educational initiative that aims to equip DTEC trained educators with tools to build advocacy projects that increase awareness about the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) while advocating for a high quality education for all students.

DTEC and TAG are national education initiatives of the Delta Research and Educational Foundation (DREF), presented in collaboration with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and supported by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF). DTEC brings awareness to and addresses the need to increase teacher efficacy through an introspective professional



development model, with specific focus on modules relating to implicit and explicit biases that create stereotype threats, culturally relevant teaching, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and mental health, the whole-child approach, and other areas.

Between April 2014 and March 2019, DTEC-TAG trained and/or engaged

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Greetings from the DREF President

Dear DREF Supporter:

The year of 2019 is an exciting time for women for so many positive reasons. This

year marks the 100th anniversary of women gaining the right to vote and the significance of that milestone is truly evident by the 100 women who were sworn into the United States Congress in January—the largest number of women ever elected to that legislative body. The historical significance of women in Congress is also magnified by this year being the 50th anniversary of the first Black woman, Delta member Shirley Chisholm

(D-NY) being sworn into the United States House of Representatives. It is remembrances like these that motivate me to continue working diligently to uphold the mission of DREF to empower African American Women and their families.

At DREF, we are committed to providing charitable and educational programming that will create possibilities and improve the lives. Students who benefit from our

educational and scholarship opportunities may very well be among the next leaders in Congress or winners of an Academy Award or discover a cure for a terminal disease.

With education, support and guidance the possibilities are indeed endless.



Carolyn E. Lewis
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The Foundation is currently conducting several major program initiatives that aim to have a long-term impact on improving the quality of life in communities throughout America. In our latest endeavor, we are encouraging women and all community

leaders to *Raise their Voice* to prevent gun violence and decrease the number of senseless shootings and loss of life. Research conducted by our Sister Scholars Advisory Council has compelled us to produce a community toolkit to engage local citizens in a continuous effort of advocacy and action against gun violence. DREF continues to conduct a national awareness campaign to inform African Americans about the importance of participating in biomedical research, and the

DTEC-TAG team continues to provide professional development to educators to ensure that every child succeeds in education. Thank you for your continued support in helping DREF *Raise its Voice* to benefit African American women, girls, and families.

Sincerely yours,
Carolyn E. Lewis
DREF President

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Motown House Party



1 DST Past National President Thelma T. Daley (third from left) among the DREF supporters attending Motown House Party. **2** DST National First Vice President Cheryl Hickmon (left) and Delta members. **3** DREF Board of Directors with many wearing 1970s theme attire. **4** Music sensations: Marci Butler Holt and Kim Jordan (right) **5** DREF staff members

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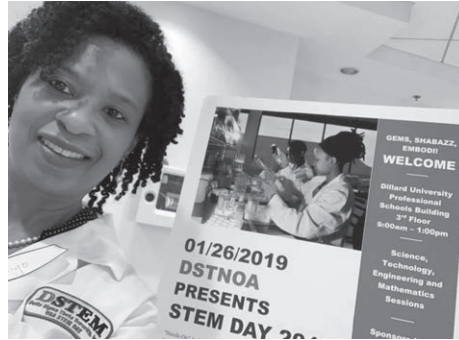
NIH Awards Second Year of Funding to DREF Research Matters for All of Us

DREF is currently implementing the second year of funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for the DREF Research Matters for All of Us Program. DREF is one of five national community partners funded by NIH to conduct outreach activities and create awareness about the agency's All of Us Research initiative. A major goal of the All of Us Research Program is to enroll one million people of diverse backgrounds who are willing to share information over many years to help build one of the largest health data sets of its kind for biomedical research.

NIH has designated 12 cities for DREF to conduct outreach activities among African Americans: Albuquerque, NM; Birmingham, AL; Columbia, SC; Durham, NC; Greensboro, N C; Greenville, SC; Houston, TX; Memphis, TN; Nashville, TN; New Orleans, LA; Portland, OR; and Sacramento, CA. Working in collaboration with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the National Council of Negro Women, DREF representatives (staff and volunteers) explain that research will assist healthcare professionals with finding effective prevention and treatment for diseases that disproportionately affect African Americans, i.e. diabetes, cancer, cardiovascular conditions, memory loss and other illnesses.

DREF Hires Kimiyo Williams, M.D. as Volunteer Coordinator

DREF recently hired Kimiyo Harris, M.D., a Delta member of New Orleans Alumnae to serve as the Training and Volunteer Coordinator for the DREF Research Matters for All of Us initiative. She will lead the effort to educate, train, and



Kimiyo Williams, M.D. joins the DREF Research Matters for All of Us team.

develop volunteers in effectively creating awareness about the All of Us Program. Dr. Williams is a board certified physician who initially served as a DREF volunteer for the health initiative.

Volunteers Needed to Conduct Outreach

If you reside in one of the designated cities of the All of Us Research Program and would like to volunteer to serve as a DREF Research Matters Ambassador, please indicate your interest by sending an email to researchmatters@deltafoundation.net. Your volunteer duty would include outreach activities (sharing information, speaking, networking) about DREF Research Matters program; a nominal stipend is offered.

DREF Publishes Toolkit on Gun Violence Prevention

Through the Center for Research on African American Women, a research project on the impact and consequences of gun violence on African American women and girls was conducted by the Sister Scholars Advisory Council. The results were alarming and motivated the Council to create a toolkit as a community resource for guide local organizations



to implement strategies of prevention, advocacy, and education to decrease gun violence. The toolkit is entitled "Raise Your Voice: A Community Guide to Address Gun Violence." The toolkit includes activities on creating local collaborations to dialogue and engage youth and their families in activities to lessen the adverse impact of gun violence in their communities. Visit www.deltafoundation.net to acquire a copy of the *Raise Your Voice* toolkit.

Morgan Stanley Awards Grant to DREF

DREF recently received a program grant from Morgan Stanley for \$5,000. The funds will be used to award grants to Delta chapters to conduct financial literacy programming for youth under DREF's Financial Intelligence for Teens (FIT) initiative. Chapters interested in conducting a FIT program, can access guidelines re application process May 1, 2019 on the DREF website www.deltafoundation.net. Direct inquiries to info@deltafoundation.net

DTEC-TAG

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over 9,000 educators in 42 states with TAG targeted engagement in DC-MD-VA, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas. In an effort to build awareness and knowledge of ESSA as a federal policy, TAG participants received intensive training from collaborative partners: the Educational Trust and the Leadership Conference Education Fund.

To connect with one of the TAG coalitions, please complete the TAG form at bit.ly/TAGUrIT. To further discuss DTEC partnerships, please send an email to DTEC-TAG@deltafoundation.net.

Opportunities to Support DREF

During the 30th Annual Delta Days in the Nation's Capital, DREF will have an informational table to share information and receive contributions. For contributions made, donors may receive a giving incentive: DREF shoebag, DREF

purse charm, PHILLIS Journal, and/or art poster (education theme). Stop by and show your support to the Delta Research and Educational Foundation, where the charitable and educational programming aims to create possibilities and improve

lives. You can also make a donation online by visiting www.deltafoundation.net or mailing your tax deductible gift to DREF @ 1703 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20009. Direct inquiries about giving to 202-347-1337.

Congratulations to the 2018-19 Community Empowerment Grantees

Albuquerque (NM) Alumnae
 Apalachin (NY) Alumnae
 Boston (MA) Alumnae
 Champaign-Urbana (IL) Alumnae
 Iota City Wide (Boston, MA)
 Fairfax County (VA) Alumnae
 LaMarque (TX) Alumnae
 Quaker City (PA) Alumnae

Stone Mountain-Lithonia (GA) Alumnae
 Tallahassee (FL) Alumnae
 Tempe (AZ) Alumnae
 Tri-County (MD) Alumnae
 Tulsa (OK) Alumnae
 Warner Robins (GA) Alumnae
 Washington (DC) Alumnae

DREF Research Matters for All of Us

Would you like to learn how you could help shape the future of health care? If you live in one of the following cities, please visit the DREF Research Matters link that will take you to the National Institutes of Health Join All of Us website: <https://bit.ly/DREFResearchMatters>.

Albuquerque, NM	Houston, TX
Birmingham, AL	Memphis, TN
Columbia, SC	Nashville, TN
Durham, NC	New Orleans
Greensboro, NC	Portland, OR
Greenville, SC	Sacramento, CA



Join the DREF Research Matters Team to conduct outreach at informational displays throughout the nation.

Applications for 2019-20 CE Grants Now Being Accepted

The application process for the 2019-20 Community Empowerment Grants opened in November 2018 and will remain open until the deadline date of March 21, 2019. Collegiate and alumnae chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are encouraged to apply. Program grants are being awarded in five key areas: Civic Engagement, Educational Development, Financial Literacy, Health and Wellness and International Awareness and Involvement. To complete the online application, please visit www.deltafoundation.net or deltasigmatheta.org. Questions may be sent to info@deltafoundation.net.

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Jacqueline C. Hrabowski Scholarship Fund

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management firm. She was initiated into DST at Hampton University's Gamma Iota Chapter on April 20, 1968. The former "Miss Hampton University" has been a committed, sustaining supporter of higher education and enabling youth the opportunity to attend college.

She and her husband, Dr. Freeman Hrabowski, also a Hampton graduate and President of the University of Maryland Baltimore County, were recognized in September 2018 by the University with a naming and dedication ceremony of The Freeman and Jacqueline Hrabowski Student Success Center. The Hrabowski's donated \$100,000 to their alma mater in tribute to Hampton University President

Dr. William R. Harvey and First Lady Norma B. Harvey's 40 years of service.

DREF President Lewis extends congratulations to Mrs. Hrabowski on reaching her golden Delta anniversary and commends her philanthropic generosity.

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