

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

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Greetings Chapter Basilei and Amicae Auxiliary Presidents,

It is time again to ready yourselves for the 2023 Maryland State Leadership Conference Z-HOPE™ Awards and Recognition Program.

Graduate chapters, Undergraduate chapters, Zeta Amicae Auxiliaries, and Zeta Youth Groups will be considered for the following awards: Pearl Service Award, Sapphire Service Award, and/or Silver Service Award based on verified programs via the Zeta Service Management System (ZSMS). Z-Excellence Awards are available to Chapters and Zeta Amicae Auxiliaries based on submission of chapter/auxiliary statements.

Please review the below information and attachment for detailed information.

Z-HOPE™ Recognition & Awards

Chapter, Amicae Auxiliaries, and Zeta Youth Groups that meet minimum international requirements for completion of Z-HOPE™ programs will be recognized. Chapters, Amicae Auxiliaries, and Zeta Youth Groups that exceed exceeding minimum international requirements for completion of Z-HOPE™ programs will be in contention for Z-HOPE™ Awards. Z-HOPE™ Awards are based on verified programs via the Zeta Service Management System (ZSMS) reporting.

Size Categories and Additional Requirements

1-4 members / completion of at least 2 programs

5-25 members / completion of at least 3 programs

26-50 members / completion of at least 4 programs

51 + members / completion of at least 6 programs

International Minimum Requirements

At least one (1) Z-HOPE™ program must be for Women AND

At least one (1) Z-HOPE™ program must be for Mental Health or Autism Awareness

Maryland State Z-Excellence Awards

The Maryland State Z-Excellence Award is an opportunity to recognize chapters in the State of Maryland who have implemented extraordinary programming in their service area and beyond, enhanced their community in significant, visible, and noticeable ways, and have positively impacted the State of Maryland through time, talent, and finance. The Z-Excellence Award will honor Chapters/Amicae Auxiliaries that have embodied the Z-HOPE™ mission in one of the following categories: Autism Awareness, Adopt A School, Mental Health, Domestic Violence, and Get Engaged/Social Action.

To be considered, Chapters/Amicae Auxiliaries must submit a statement. Statements must include the attached cover letter. Statements should be creatively presented, typed in third person, and use both qualitative and quantitative information to demonstrate how the Chapter/Amicae Auxiliary has addressed each of the elements in the selected category. Statements should not be a summary of activities in several categories. Be intentional. Each Statement must address one category only. Chapters will be evaluated on presentation creativity. Include supporting documents such as thank you letters, press releases, testimonials, photos, etc.

Scored Elements

Chapter Statements will be evaluated on the following elements:

- Commitment (50pts)
- Accomplishment (50pts)
- Impact (50pts)

Additional evaluation areas:

- Creativity (25 pts)
- Grammar/Punctuation/Organization (25 pts)

What are some examples of what demonstrates each element?

Commitment

- Multiple program elements and or projects over a course of time
- Going above and beyond
- Motivated others around the cause

Accomplishment

- Collaborations
- Growth within targeted area
- Depth of service/programming

Impact

- Number of people impacted/served
- Empowered participants and the community (thank you letters, photos, testimonials etc. are encouraged)
- Generated positive change within targeted area
- Incorporated Get Engaged / Social Action

Submission:

Submit to Z-HOPE@zphibmaryland.org no later than 11:59pm on February 18, 2023.

Please note: Chapters and Amicae Auxiliaries can be considered for more than one category; however, a separate statement and cover letter must be received for each category. A Chapter/Amicae Auxiliary can only receive a Z-Excellence Award for one category.

Consideration Period for all Z-HOPE™ Awards & Maryland State Z-Excellence Awards

Previous Sorority Year: July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

In Service,

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