

Service for Sight Grant Application Information

The Delta Gamma Foundation fosters lifetime enrichment for members, promotes Service for Sight and partners with Delta Gamma Fraternity to ensure the future of our sisterhood. Our dedicated members and friends make this mission possible through philanthropy, service and generous gifts to the Foundation which fund our three key areas of support: Individual Member Support, Training and Programming, and Service for Sight.

Delta Gamma Foundation Service for Sight Grant Program Philanthropic Mission

The Delta Gamma Foundation Service for Sight grant program strives to better meet the needs of people who are blind or have low vision by providing funding for:

- Programs that support education and research involving sight preservation
- · Prevention and early intervention for conditions affecting visual impairment
- Resources, tools, technology and experiences to enhance the quality of life for people who are living with blindness blind or low vision
- Promoting vision-related public awareness

Service for Sight Grant Application Procedure

To be considered, requesting organizations must complete the Service for Sight Grant application online using SmarterSelect. Once available, the application can be found here: <u>https://www.deltagamma.org/foundation/applications/</u>

Grant requests are reviewed by the Service for Sight Grants Committee, which then makes recommendations to the Delta Gamma Foundation Board of Trustees for approval.

Grant recipients are asked to participate in an assessment process during the grant period and provide documentation detailing grant expenditures, outcomes and Delta Gamma award acknowledgment. Programs that directly benefit individuals living with blindness or low vision are given preference. The Delta Gamma Foundation prioritizes programs that benefit the greatest number of persons possible, in the most impactful ways.

Due to budget limitations, not all qualified proposals will receive grants. Organizations approved for program funding are notified each spring.



Service for Sight Grant Criteria

Grant applicants must be:

- A 501(c)(3) or comparable organization.
- Based in a country with Delta Gamma collegiate chapters or alumnae groups (U.S., Canada and the United Kingdom) and funds awarded must remain in those countries.
- Compatible in mission/program purpose with the Delta Gamma Foundation Service for Sight grant program's mission.
- National in scope and/or be available to individuals on a nationwide basis

Grant applications must include:

- The organization's mission statement.
- The organization's most recent financial statement (990 or T3010).
- A detailed description of the program for which the grant is requested.
- A detailed budget outlining the exact use of funds should they be granted. Funds are not to be used for staff salaries or overhead expenses.
- The number of individuals expected to benefit from the proposed program.
- A timeline of how all funds would be used within one year of receipt.
- Specifics of how the organization would recognize the Delta Gamma Foundation and its contribution to the proposed program.

Grant applicants who have received Service for Sight funding within the past two years must complete a report summarizing the program's outcome and Foundation funding allocation before submitting a request for the current grant cycle. A link to complete this <u>Grant Outcome Report</u> will be communicated prior to the next grant cycle opening.

The Delta Gamma Foundation does not fund:

- Programs that are local or single state-specific in their scope or reach.
- General operating expenses or staff salaries outside of the delivery of the proposed program/service.
- Programs that are completed before requested grant funding is awarded.
- Political activities of any kind.
- Programs that promote religious activities.
- Programs inconsistent with federal, state or local non-discrimination ordinances.
- More than one grant request from the same organization.
- Applications received after published deadlines.

If you have additional questions, please contact grants@deltagamma.org.

