

# Lifestyles



## Community welcomes Delta Center

The official Open House for the Delta Center, at 11955 Shaker Blvd., took place last month as Greater Cleveland Delta Foundation Life Development Center and Sponsors of Greater Cleveland African Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Society, Inc. celebrated the Phase I renovation of their home.

The Foundation was established and incorporated in 1997 as a 501(c)3 organization with a mission of providing and promoting public service programs in support of Delta Sigma Theta Society and other service oriented organizations. From its beginning as a chapter Housing Committee at its first home for a "Delta House" it has grown to be an organization that recognizes the need to do more for the citizens of our communities.

In December 2006, the Foundation purchased this 15,000 square foot building on Shaker Blvd.

Constructing people and improving the surrounding community is an essential part of the mission. In the future, The Delta Center hopes to provide expanded community programs as well as become many of the programs offered by the



Foundation President Carol Wagner and Chapter President Deborah Cartwright



For years, the chapter moved from location to location to conduct chapter business. In their struggle to find a permanent home finally GCAC purchased the Delta Center in December 2006 and opened its doors on March 4, 2012.

The Foundation's first president was Fontella Smith.

In this picture, far left is Foundation President Carol Wagner and Chapter President Deborah Cartwright.



Members of the Foundation board with Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge.



Event co-chairs Dr. D. Brooks.



Community leaders Daryl Rush, Jalene Pardon, and John Hopkins welcomed the Delta Center to the area.



Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge, 22nd Nat'l President of Delta commended the Foundation on its progress.



Board member Tom Natoya Walker Minor



Margaret Whitley, poet



Rev. Heidi Blount Barham



Radeon Kirkland, soloist.



Lois Richardson cuts ribbon while Lois Chapman looks on.

Members of the community were excited to welcome GCAC to the neighborhood.

To the left, in attendance, community leaders, members of the chapter, Congresswoman Marica L. Fudge and 22 National President poet Margaret Whitley.

### Donation Guidelines & Procedures

1. Donors will notify any member of the GCDFLDC of an intended goods or equipment donation.
2. Upon review and approval, the donor will be provided a gift form specifying a description of the item, its estimated value, approximate (new, nearly new, looks like new), condition (must be functional, clean and well used), and usefulness for present or future needs. The person(s) responsible for delivery and receipt of donation should be indicated.
3. Note: Items: The donor must be responsible for making arrangements and any cost associated with delivery of the item.
4. GCDFLDC will not be responsible for any unrelated matters associated with the donated item.

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Donor's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
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Donated Item \_\_\_\_\_  
Description \_\_\_\_\_  
Monetary value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance recommended? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Monetary Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
GCDFLDC Program to receive monetary donation:

- Black Diamonds Intergenerational Institute
- Stephanie Tubbs Jones Leadership Academy
- Black Diamonds Awards Ceremony
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach legal documentation if applicable:  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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## MAJOR GIFT PLANNING AND DONOR OPPORTUNITIES

The Greater Cleveland Delta Foundation Life Development Center has promoted several ways the sorority and community can support their philanthropic efforts.

To the left is a copy of a Major Gift Planning and Donor Opportunities card.

Please consider donating by attending the Jazz Brunch, selecting the foundation during your company's United Way Campaign and as you shop on Amazon using AmazonSmile. Go to their website and complete the Bid to Give Donation Form or reach out to the foundation to learn more ways to support.



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April of 2013, the Foundation celebrated 100 years. The centennial torch came to Cleveland and the Foundation sponsored a weekend event centered around the torch. GCAC raised \$80,000 to carry out the mission of the Foundation.

There was a big gala with corporate sponsors. In 2013 GCAC opened its doors to the sorority for monthly and committee meetings. At this time the foundation became active with the neighborhood organization, Shaker Square and Buckeye Area Development Corporations.



*100 Years of Fortitude*



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