



DELTA SIGMA PHI AT GEORGIA TECH

EVERGREEN FUND

“SECURING THE DELTA SIG EXPERIENCE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS”

What is Evergreen?

Initiated by the ACB in February 2019, Evergreen is an annual fund with the mission of providing a continuous flow of funds to maintain the quality of our new house and its critical infrastructure for years to come.

Why is it Necessary?

The Century Campaign enabled us to build our new chapter house that opened in August 2018. Our mortgage payments and operational costs, including routine maintenance items, are funded by undergraduate rents and parlor fees. However, based on a Capital Reserve Study commissioned in 2023, we will require at least \$1M by 2033 to maintain house quality and replace critical infrastructure as it ages out. The semesterly payments made to the ACB by our current actives are already among the largest on campus and thus not a viable alternative for funding these large capital expenditures. We will need to fund this \$1M need via donations to the Evergreen annual fund. This financial structure of undergraduate revenues supplemented by alumni contributions is a typical model among leading fraternities on campus.

How Do I Know My Donations Will Be Used Exclusively for the Purpose of Maintaining our New House?

Make no mistake, the Evergreen Fund has a singular mission to raise the funds necessary to maintain the quality of our new chapter house. However, to provide explicit protections to our donors' interests, the ACB has amended our bylaws to restrict Evergreen funds to pay for only chapter house maintenance and improvement projects. In addition, these funds are held in their own separate banking account providing clear tracking and transparency.

How Can I Contribute?

You can make a one-time or recurring contribution by credit card at www.godeltasig.com/donate. You can modify your frequency or amount of a recurring gift at any time on this site. We strongly encourage brothers to consider establishing a recurring gift: weekly, monthly, quarterly, and annual options are available.

Alternatively, you can contribute by check payable to “Delta Sigma Phi Foundation” denoted “For Alpha Gamma Evergreen Fund”. Checks should be mailed to:

Alpha Gamma Alumni Chapter
Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity
Evergreen Fund
PO Box 876
Ithaca, NY 14851-0876

Will My Donation Be Tax Deductible?

Yes. We are able to offer this benefit by routing all Evergreen contributions through the Delta Sigma Phi Foundation. The Foundation sets aside our contributions for the exclusive use of the Alpha Gamma Chapter Evergreen Fund.

My Company Has a Matching Gift Program. Can I Take Advantage of This?

If your company has the Delta Sigma Phi Foundation designated as an approved entity for matching gifts, you will be able to amplify your contributions via company match and receive recognition credit for the combined amount! If you receive company approval for matching gifts, please make Chris Fleming aware via fleming.chris@gmail.com so he is able to coordinate proper record keeping with the Delta Sigma Phi Foundation.

Can I Make a Gift of Stock?

Yes. If you wish to make this type of gift, please contact Chris Fleming at fleming.chris@gmail.com. Chris will provide you with transfer instructions for processing a stock donation.

Can I Make an Estate Gift?

The chapter would be humbled and honored if you chose to designate the Evergreen Fund as an estate gift beneficiary. If you wish to make this type of gift, please contact Chris Fleming at fleming.chris@gmail.com to discuss the details.

Can I Establish a Permanent Endowment in Support of Evergreen?

Both the Delta Sigma Phi Foundation and the Georgia Tech Foundation have programs in place to professionally manage endowments on our behalf. To establish an endowment, a minimum \$100,000 commitment will be required including a \$25,000 initial investment. Please contact Chris Fleming (fleming.chris@gmail.com) if you are interested in pursuing this opportunity.

How Will Evergreen Donors Be Recognized?

Prior year Evergreen donors will be recognized annually in the Alpha Gam newsletter. In addition, lifetime recognition of cumulative Evergreen donations at the \$100,000+ (Guardians of George) and \$25,000 to \$99,999 (Friends of George) levels will be permanently displayed in the chapter house Alumni Parlor.

Do My Century Campaign Donations Count Towards Evergreen Lifetime Recognition?

No. The Century Campaign closed to new pledges in December 2018 and the donor board has been displayed in the chapter room of our new house since October 2018. Evergreen is our follow-on annual fund with lifetime giving recognition independent of Century Campaign donations and based on non-Century Campaign gifts made since its inception in February 2019.