

The DREAM Foundation Creating Possibilities.....Enabling Lives

The Delta Resource Educational Association of Mobile (DREAM), Inc. was established as a public nonprofit corporation to receive, invest, and distribute funds to be used solely for the charitable and educational purposes and programs of the Mobile Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

Happy Holidays!

Dream Foundation, Inc. is thankful for a productive year. We hope that each of you had a productive year, too. We are excited about our plans for 2020. The Board of Directors for DREAM Foundation had many accomplishments in 2019.

- We had our first strategic planning session since the board's inception.
- Slide presentations were provided to Mobile Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta on March 17, 2019, and at the chapter's retreat on August 23, 2019.
- Held an open forum and celebrated the burning of the mortgage at the Community Development Life Center (CLDC) in September 2019.
- Initiated quarterly newsletters and distributed the newsletters via Constant Contact and US Mail for those without internet capabilities.
- Held several fund development activities, i.e. Dining at Atlanta Bread Company, Belk Charity Sale (November)
- Initiated the planning for 2020 fund development activities, e.g. Draw Down (January 18, 2020) and sponsoring Alvin Ailey Dancers (November 10-11, 2020)
- Began replacing the roof on the CLDC. The roof is scheduled to be completed before the end of the year, weather permitting.
- Expanded the ability to receive donations via Cash APP and PayPal.
- Developed social media presence, e.g. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter
- Added new members to the Board of Directors

DREAM's vision for 2020 is to increase our visibility in the Greater Mobile area. We plan to increase our fund development activities allowing for expansion of our community based programs. One of our fund development activities will align with our mission to support the arts. Alvin Ailey II Dancers will perform on November 10, 2020 at the Mobile Civic Center Theatre. Ticket prices will be announced at a later date. Tickets will be sold via Ticketmaster. The following day, Wednesday, November 11, 2020, a performance designed for elementary and middle school students, will be held. The location will be announced later. The free event will allow children in our area an opportunity to view a cultural performance that may not normally be provided. Of course, we need your continued support to fund our programs and maintain an

upgrade the CLDC. There are many needs. Where do we begin?

Some of the identified needs are listed below.

- Increase lighting in the parking lot (safety)
- Replace the tile
- Improve landscaping
- Exterior painting
- Repair the fence (safety)
- Have a reserve to address replacement of heating units (The life expectancy has matured. We can expect the other three units to need replacing in the new future.)

Send us an email about your suggestions. The email address is dream.mobile.dst@aol.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

The DRAW Down will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2020 from 2-5 pm. We urge you to purchase a ticket as soon as possible. The tickets are \$100. Please mail payments to DREAM Foundation, P.O. Box 40622, Mobile, AL. 36640. Cash App payments can be made to \$DREAM Mobile. PayPay payments can be made to 251-586-4212. We are requesting donations for a silent auction and/or door prizes. We need to sell 200 tickets for the prize to be \$10,000. Please buy a ticket and encourage others to do the same.

Remember "United we stand, divided we fall". We are one.

Sisterly, Jerryln Rushing London

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PROGRESS!!



We have a new ROOF!!!

We are happy to announce that a new roof has been installed on the CLDC. We ask for your continued support during the upcoming year.

Coming together is the **beginning**Keeping together is **progress**Working together is **success**.

-Henry Ford

FUND DEVELOPMENT

DREAM FOUNDATION DRAW DOWN

Enter for a chance to win up to \$10,000

Buy your tickets in the CLDC foyer before and after the monthly business meetings until the DRAW DOWN party on January 18, 2020

WILL YOU BE THE LAST TICKET HOLDER?





MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ALVIN AILEY II

November 10, 2020

The DREAM Foundation is bringing this universally renowned dance company to Mobile, Alabama. You don't want to miss this inspiring and captivating performance.



We're looking to expand our membership to include men and women who are not members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Can you help us find the right folks to grow our nonprofit foundation? Please have interested parties send resumes to dream.mobile.dst@aol.com.

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