



## Facts and Benefits About Sorority Membership and the College Panhellenic

College Panhellenic Associations should use this document to help explain the benefits of sorority membership to college-age women and their parents/caregivers. Page 2 includes a worksheet for you to fill in specific information about your College Panhellenic and member chapters. Consider using these items in your College Panhellenic marketing plan to promote the sorority experience year-round.

### Benefits of Sorority Experience for Potential Members and Parents/Caregivers

#### Sorority Provides Community

Finding a **community** at college matters a lot – perhaps more than ever. Sorority can provide that **sense of belonging** in a new place. It's about **laughter**, lifelong **friendships** and a family that **has your back no matter what**.

#### Sorority is Accessible

Sorority life welcomes women based on what they want to contribute to the world around them. **Your values, what you stand for** and **what you want to do in life** matters far more than where you come from or your socioeconomic status.

#### Sorority Lets You Make a Difference in the Lives of Others

Being in a sorority is an invitation to help be an **agent of change** – in your community and in yourself. It's an opportunity to embrace perspectives and experiences different from your own, while making an impact on campus and developing the leadership skills that can help you change the world – or at least your piece of it.

#### Sorority is Worth It

Joining a sorority also pays off where it counts – with **your future** and **your career**. Sorority sisters not only provide a network you can draw from for **internships** and **jobs**, but they also can help push you out of your comfort zone and encourage you to take advantage of opportunities you might never have considered without their support.

### Facts About the Sorority Experience

- The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) has 26 NPC member organizations with nearly 400,000 undergraduate members across the U.S. and Canada.
- More than 580 campuses have a chartered College Panhellenic Association and nearly 670 campuses have at least one established NPC sorority chapter.
- On many campuses, the College Panhellenic is the largest student organization representing women and women's issues.
- More than \$4.6 million in scholarships were awarded to sorority members in 2018-19 (16 member organizations reporting).
- In 2018-19, collegiate and alumnae members together donated more than \$17 million for inter/national philanthropy activity (13 member organizations reporting) and volunteered nearly 1.9 million hours for inter/national volunteer activities (14 member organizations reporting).

See also [NPC's Fast Facts](#), published each October.



## Facts About Your College Panhellenic

Fill in the blanks with facts about your College Panhellenic and the chapters on your campus.

Number of chapters in the College Panhellenic: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of women represented by the College Panhellenic: \_\_\_\_\_

Percent of women students on your campus who belong to NPC sororities: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Panhellenic service hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Funds raised: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of chapter service hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Funds raised: \_\_\_\_\_

College Panhellenic GPA (average of all chapter members): \_\_\_\_\_

All Women's GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ All Undergraduate GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

List signature Panhellenic- and/or chapter-sponsored programs/workshops (e.g., against hazing or sexual assault) or events that are open to all members of the campus and note the benefits to students or the larger community:

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List the names and titles of Panhellenic women who hold leadership positions in other student organizations, are student athletes, have received awards, etc.:

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List anything else your College Panhellenic would like the potential new members, parents/caregivers, campus administrators, the campus community or the community at large to know about sorority membership or your College Panhellenic:

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