

## Social Action Committee Report - March 2021

Committee Name: Social Action  
Co-Chairs: Sheila Lilley & Marnyce Boyd  
Meeting Date, Time & Location: March 15, 2021 at 7pm via ZOOM  
Members Present: Sheila Lilley, Marnyce Boyd, Lisha Smith, Ernestine Brown, Donna Stevens, Jennifer Morris, Angela Coggs, Stephanie Davis-Carruth, Meredith Gibson, Carla Towns, Ashley Queen  
Members Absent: Stacy Black  
Guest: President Erica Shorts

Next Meeting Date, Time & Location: April 19, 2021 at 7pm via ZOOM

Meeting opened in Prayer – Ernestine Brown

### Summary of Meeting/Committee Discussions:

The SBRAAC Black Book has been distributed by email. Members were encouraged to share the information with friends and family. When patronizing a business we will notify the business where we learned of the business location. The Black Book will be updated quarterly. Submissions can be emailed to the Economic and Development committee at any time.

Delta Days in the Nation's Capital will be April 23 – 25, 2021. April 2<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline to register and the cost is \$50.00.

The Social Action committee budget is due no later than March 27, 2021. We will plan for events to be in person for the fiscal year 2021-2022. We can make adjustments mid-year if necessary. This year we will include postage to the budget in order to provide pre-stamped envelopes to chapter for mailing campaign letter. It was also suggested to mail the letters to the chapter members to sign and send back to the committee for mailing. This will allow us to know who has participated. We can do a mail merge so members can just add their address. Sorors will have two letters to sign, one for the city and one for the county.

The committee worked together on our next letter writing campaign addressing local law enforcement wearing body armor for their protection and cameras for the community's protection. The letter was edited during the meeting. We will review the bill and legislation that has already been drafted. Sheila will send the draft to the committee for review. Ernestine will check on the state legislation. Marnyce will research how to create a Docu-sign for electronically signing the letters.

There was not a lot of participation with our last letter writing campaign. Next time there will be an option to mail or email the letters. It was suggested that we mail the letters to the chapter members for signature.

Culmination is scheduled for May 15, 2021 via Zoom at 10:00am. Scholarship, EMBODI, GEMS and Academy chairs will meet on March 24, 2021. We will have a run through of the program with IT in April. The last day to nominate someone for the Dorothy Ingram Award is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Nomination applications can be mailed to the Social Action email box. We will meet on April 1, 2021 to vote on recipients

Lisha suggested that we create a Woodie Rucker Hughes Advocacy Award. The committee suggested that the Dorothy Ingram award can be given to the San Bernardino recipient and the Woodie Rucker Hughes award would be given to the Riverside recipient. It needs to be taken to the Executive board for a vote. Carla suggested that we create a Young Trail Blazer award. She also asked to have Human Trafficking as a priority for next year.

Review of committee activity:

- We will create a list of agencies that we can partner with that can benefit from our donations.
- The Regional Community Service project will be held on March 20, 2021. Members were encouraged to attend and participate at either the San Bernardino or Riverside location. The arrival time at both locations is 9:30am. Masks are mandatory and gloves are encouraged. One hundred care kits will be distributed. On the day of the event, there were actually two hundred care kits distributed and five members for Social Action attended.

The meeting concluded at 8:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marnyce L. Boyd