

Gamma Phi Beta

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Eta Lambda Chapter

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To Whom it May Concern,

On Sunday, February 21st at 7:20 pm Student Body President and Vice President Candidates, Meg Hall, and Austin Wilson, visited our Zoom chapter to discuss their platform. During their time in our chapter, they discussed multiple points such as completing the fourth floor of the Student Union, creating a partnership with TEDx, and the Knight Ride program for public safety. Along with this, they mentioned increasing safety in Greek Park and asked if we had any ideas that may help. It was at this moment that the discussion moved toward housing because Meg quickly realized that we were one of two Panhellenic chapters on campus that do not have a house. She then went on to discuss Austin's affordable housing program and how he was able to secure funding and land to create more rooms for homeless students. Austin then stated that if he was able to get funding for this project then the conversation for chapter housing was available if we were interested, and it was then that my chapter became very excited.

I would like to state that my chapter is very passionate about this discussion as not having a house has greatly impacted our day-to-day operations. Our sisterhood has suffered because we cannot casually see one another at "the house", throughout recruitment potential new members (PNMs) will consistently drop our chapter solely based off the fact that we do not have a house, and our membership retention has suffered because we cannot hold events like other chapters with housing that could strengthen our bonds. My chapter is very aware of this problem and will immediately jump at the chance of any discussion of creating house for us because it could help solve so many issues we face. However, we have always been told on multiple occasions by multiple different sources that housing is a discussion for our chapter, but the plan is never seen through. From this we always know to keep our expectations low because the likelihood of creating a "Greek Park 2" is not very high.



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While my chapter may get overly excited about the topic of housing, Meg Hall and Austin Wilson never explicitly promised us a house or the creation of Greek Park 2 if they were elected. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

All the best,

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