

# INTRODUCTION

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## Members of the Foundation

All members of the Texas State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma are members of ASTEF. The Annual Meeting of members is held during the TSO Convention. ASTEF is managed by a Board of Directors.. The 2016-2017 Board consists of twenty-three elected Directors and three Directors ex-officio. Ex-officio Directors include the TSO President, TSO Scholarship Chair and TSO Leadership Chair. Officers are elected by the Board of Directors.

## Member Benefits

ASTEF manages funds that provide for Scholarships, Leadership Training, and Projects.

**Scholarship** funds provide for scholarships and lifelong learning opportunities.

**Leadership** funds provide for leadership training through Leadership Seminars and sponsored speakers.

**Projects** funds provide for stipends for projects as well as other educational endeavors that benefit Texas students and educators such as the Aspiring Educator Award.

The Aspiring Educator Award aids women, who are not members of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, who aspire to enter the field of education by taking college hours toward certification for a degree in education. Applicants must be recommended by a Society member.

ASTEF members may apply for a TSO state scholarship; participate in leadership events sponsored by **ASTEF**; and apply for a chapter project stipend.

## ASTEF Support

As a 501(c)(3) public charity, ASTEF provides funding for activities that support professional and personal growth of women educators in Texas and promotes educational excellence for Texas students.

ASTEF raises funds to support the Texas State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma. Members and guests may participate in ASTEF fundraising activities, such as cruises, Road Scholar programs, and raffles.

Contribution forms are available online for your convenience in giving. Donations may be made in honor or in memory of someone. **All contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law.**