CY 2nd Quarter 2026

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Georgia Military Affairs Committee





Brothers of the Great State of Georgia, Greetings in the Spirit of Sigma,

As we enter the third Quarter, we move beyond planning and into execution.

The opening months of the year challenged us to establish priorities and reaffirm our commitment. Now, the question before us becomes: **What will our service look like in action?** This quarter is not about intention alone, it is about measurable impact, visible engagement, and strengthening our collective footprint across Georgia.

Military Affairs exists because service does not end when the uniform comes off.

Every day, Veterans and military families continue to navigate challenges related to healthcare, transition, employment, wellness, and connection. As Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., we possess something powerful: the ability to stand in the gap and transform concern into action.

For this quarter, I ask every chapter and every brother to focus on three operational priorities:

Lead Through Presence
Show up. Attend Veteran events. Support military and community initiatives. Build partnerships. Visibility matters because our communities cannot benefit from our work if they never see us in motion.

Create Lasting Impact Through Collaboration
No chapter operates alone. Share successful programs, amplify one another's efforts, and seek opportunities to work across chapter lines. When one chapter succeeds, the entire state advances.

Turn Service Into Legacy
Do not underestimate small actions. A conversation with a Veteran, participation in an outreach event, connecting someone to resources, mentoring a military family, these moments create lasting outcomes. Legacy is not built in one event; it is built through consistent acts of service.

Brothers, this quarter I challenge us to move with purpose and intentionality. Let us continue to demonstrate that Military Affairs is not simply a committee, it is a commitment.

A commitment to those who served.
A commitment to our communities.
A commitment to each other.

Let us remain visible. Let us remain engaged. Let us remain accountable.

Together, we continue to embody our motto:

Culture For Service, Service For Humanity
Fraternally,
Brother James Ervin
Director of Military Affairs
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
State of Georgia, Military Affairs Committee

Veteran of the Quarter

Brother Maurice Dudley
Master Sergeant (Retired), United States Air Force Reserve
Kappa Zeta Sigma Chapter Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.



Brother Maurice Dudley is a retired **Master Sergeant of the United States Air Force Reserve** who honorably served his country for 25 years from 1986 to 2011 with the **94th Aerial Port Squadron at Robins Air Force Base, Georgia**. During his distinguished military career, he deployed twice to Southwest Asia, including **Al Dhafra Air Base in the United Arab Emirates** and **Sather Air Base in Baghdad, Iraq**, supporting critical air mobility and logistics operations. His exemplary service earned him the **Air Force Commendation Medal** and the **Air Force Achievement Medal**.

In addition to his military service, Brother Dudley has dedicated more than 30 years as a state employee while maintaining an unwavering commitment to leadership and service in his community. He currently serves as **President of the Kappa Zeta Sigma Chapter** of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., where he continues to mentor brothers and promote the fraternity's principles of Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Service.

Brother Dudley is deeply involved in faith-based and civic leadership. He serves as a **Trustee and Security Ministry Leader at First Baptist Church**, leads the **Meals on Wheels Ministry**, and directs the **Brother2Brother Ministry**. He is also an active member of the **Houston County NAACP**, the **100 Black Men of Warner Robins**, and is a **32° Prince Hall Mason**.

A passionate advocate for youth, Brother Dudley serves as a **Sigma Beta Club**

Advisor, former chapter chaplain, and longtime **youth sports coach** with the Warner Robins Recreation Department. Through every role he holds, Brother Dudley continues to demonstrate a lifelong commitment to serving others, strengthening communities, and leading by example.

Chapter of the Quarter

PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC.

State of Georgia Military Affairs Committee (SGMAC)

Kappa Zeta Sigma Chapter

Warner Robins, Georgia

Chapter President: Maurice Dudley

Military Affairs Chair: Alfonte Thomas

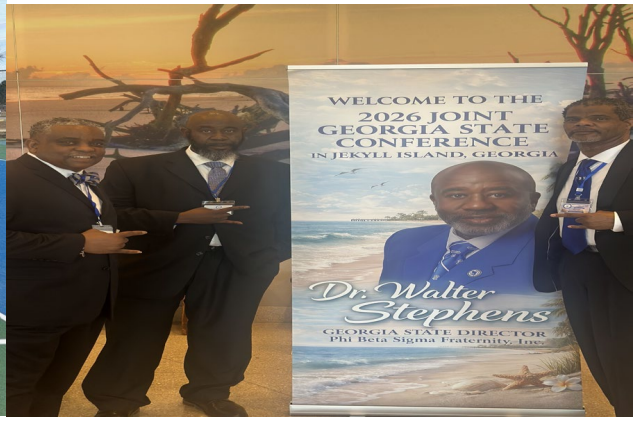


















- 100+ Total Service Hours Completed
- $1,500 in Scholarships Awarded
- 5,000+ Individuals Impacted Across Events
- Direct Support to Military, Veterans, and Families near Robins AFB

- Multi-Organization Partnerships (Universities, Churches, Civic Groups)
- Statewide Leadership & Advocacy Engagement

MILITARY & VETERAN IMPACT NARRATIVE

The **Kappa Zeta Sigma Chapter**, located in Warner Robins, Georgia, home of Robins Air Force Base, has demonstrated exceptional commitment to supporting military members, veterans, and their families throughout the first quarter of 2026.

The chapter strategically aligns its programming to address the needs of military-connected communities through service, advocacy, mentorship, and resource support. Through direct service initiatives such as food distribution, community outreach, and family support programs, the chapter has positively impacted veterans, active-duty service members, and underserved populations.

Additionally, **Kappa Zeta Sigma** has maintained a visible presence in civic engagement efforts that directly influence policies and awareness impacting the military community. Their participation in statewide advocacy events and civil rights commemorations reinforces their commitment to equity, access, and opportunity for all—especially those who have served.

By leveraging partnerships with local universities, faith-based organizations, and national fraternity initiatives, the chapter continues to extend its reach and deliver meaningful, measurable impact.

DETAILED EVENT BREAKDOWN (2026 ONLY) March 3, 2026

Blue & White Day – Georgia State Capitol (Atlanta, GA)

- Description: Advocacy event engaging lawmakers and community leaders on issues impacting the African American and military communities
- Total Attendance: 100
- Sigma Brothers: 50
- Zeta Participation: 50
- Service Hours: 7

March 7, 2026

6**1st Commemoration of Edmund Pettus Bridge Crossing (Selma, AL)**

- Description: Participation in historic civil rights commemoration emphasizing social justice and equality
- Total Attendance: 5,000
- Sigma Brothers: 3

- Service Hours: 30

March 14, 2026

New Beginnings Church 5K Community Outreach (Warner Robins, GA)

- Description: Health and wellness initiative promoting physical fitness and community engagement
- Total Attendance: 110
- Sigma Brothers: 6
- Service Hours: 24

March 18, 2026

Fort Valley State University Community Engagement Event (Fort Valley, GA)

- Description: Program focused on health, family, purpose, and mentorship in partnership with FVSU
- Total Attendance: 42
- Sigma Brothers: 2
- Service Hours: 4
- Black Spend: $50

March 21, 2026

Georgia State Phi Beta Sigma Conference (Jekyll Island, GA)

- Description: Joint State Conference with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. focused on leadership, service, and statewide impact initiatives
- Total Attendance: 350
- Sigma Brothers: 6
- Zeta Participation: 200

March 28, 2026

Meals on Wheels Ministry (Warner Robins, GA)

- Description: Prepared and supported meal distribution for community members, including veterans and seniors
- Total Attendance: 23
- Sigma Brothers: 3
- Service Hours: 12

April 8, 2026

Collegiate Membership Intake Process Support (Middle Georgia State University – Cochran Campus)

- Description: Mentorship and leadership development for collegiate members, including future military and civic leaders
- Sigma Brothers: 4
- Service Hours: 10

February 15, 2026

D9 Unity & Scholarship Event (Fort Valley, GA)

Description: Celebration of Divine Nine legacy with community fellowship and educational advancement

- Total Attendance: 100
- Sigma Brothers: 15
- Zeta Participation: 4
- Scholarships Awarded: $1,500
- Service Hours: 30

FRATERNAL COLLABORATION

Kappa Zeta Sigma has demonstrated strong collaboration through:

- Partnership with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. (State Conference, civic events)
- Engagement with Fort Valley State University and Middle Georgia State University
- Coordination with local churches and ministries supporting veterans and families
- Participation in statewide advocacy and civil rights initiatives

These collaborations have expanded the chapter's reach and strengthened its ability to deliver impactful programming.

Kappa Zeta Sigma Chapter exemplifies the highest ideals of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. through its unwavering commitment to Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Service.

With over 100 service hours, measurable community impact, direct engagement with military and veteran populations, and strong collaborative partnerships, the chapter has distinguished itself as a leader within the state of Georgia.

Their ability to combine military support, community service, youth development, and civic engagement positions them as a premier candidate for Chapter of the Quarter.

Veterans News Corner

Brothers,

As we close the 2nd Quarter and prepare for the next 90 days, our focus must remain centered on providing Veterans, service members, military families, caregivers, and survivors with information they can use immediately. Military Affairs is not only about recognition; it is about connecting people to benefits, resources, healthcare, employment, and community support.

Key Veteran Information Veterans Can Use Now

1. PACT Act and Toxic Exposure Benefits
Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, Gulf War hazards, radiation, Camp Lejeune water contamination, or other toxic exposures should review their eligibility for VA healthcare and disability compensation. Veterans who were previously denied should consider filing again or seeking help from an accredited Veterans Service Officer.

Action Step: Contact a Georgia Department of Veterans Service field office or accredited service officer for assistance with claims, appeals, and benefit review.

2. VA Disability Claims Processing Update
VA reported that it processed more than 2 million disability benefits claims in Fiscal Year 2026 as of June 1, 2026. This is important for Veterans who have delayed filing or who need to submit new evidence, supplemental claims, or appeals.

Action Step: Do not self-disqualify. File, review, update, or appeal with proper documentation and accredited assistance.

3. VA Partial Claim Program for Homeowners
VA launched the Partial Claim Program on June 15, 2026, to help Veterans with VA-backed home loans who are facing financial hardship avoid foreclosure and remain in their homes.

Action Step: Veterans having difficulty with mortgage payments should contact their loan servicer first. If they cannot resolve the issue, contact VA Loan Guaranty at 877-827-3702, option 6.

4. Georgia Department of Veterans Service Support
The Georgia Department of Veterans Service provides assistance with benefits claims, appeals, education and training, nursing home care, cemetery services, and state-level Veteran support.

Action Step: Encourage every Veteran to connect with GDVS before navigating claims or appeals alone.

5. Mental Health and Crisis Support
Veterans in crisis, or anyone concerned about a Veteran, can contact the Veterans Crisis Line 24/7 by dialing 988 and pressing 1, texting 838255, or using confidential chat through the Veterans Crisis Line.

Upcoming Veteran Events – Next 90 Days

June 23, 2026 – HOH SkillBridge Fellowships Information Session
Virtual event supporting transitioning service members, Veterans, and military spouses interested in employment readiness and fellowship opportunities.

June 25, 2026 – G.I. Jobs / Military Friendly Virtual Job Fair
Virtual career event for Veterans, transitioning service members, and military spouses seeking employment opportunities.

July 24, 2026 – We CARE Vet Fair, Columbus / Fort Benning Area
Location: Columbus Civic Center
This free Veteran and military resource fair will serve Veterans, military families, spouses, caregivers, active-duty service members, National Guard, Reservists, and transitioning service members. Services are expected to include VA healthcare enrollment, claims support, appeals and higher-level review assistance, legal resources, employment opportunities, medical checks, and access to more than 100 community partners.

September 12, 2026 – National Cemetery Administration National Day of Service
Veterans, families, chapters, and community partners are encouraged to participate in service opportunities honoring those who served. This is a strong opportunity for Sigma chapters to organize group participation, support cemetery beautification, and show visible respect for service and sacrifice.

September 17, 2026 – Atlanta Veterans Job Fair
Location: College Park, Georgia
Veterans and military-connected job seekers should prepare resumes, dress professionally, and bring copies of documentation that may assist with hiring preference or career placement.

Recommended Chapter Actions

Each Georgia chapter is encouraged to complete at least one Veteran-focused action during the next 90 days:

• Host or support a Veteran benefits information table
• Invite a GDVS representative or accredited VSO to speak at a chapter meeting
• Share PACT Act and toxic exposure screening information
• Support a Veteran job fair or resource fair
• Identify and submit a Veteran Brother for recognition
• Partner with a local DAV, VFW, American Legion, VA clinic, college Veterans office, or county Veterans agency
• Collect photos, event summaries, and impact data for the next newsletter

Military Affairs Call to Action

Brothers, information is only powerful when it reaches the people who need it. This quarter, let us make sure Veterans are not standing alone, confused by paperwork, unaware of benefits, or disconnected from support.

Our charge is clear:

Connect Veterans to resources.
Support military families.
Recognize service.
Strengthen communities.
Move from individual effort to collective impact.

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