



National Society of Black Engineers



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California Polytechnic State University
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San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

To Whom it May Concern,

The National Society of Black Engineers, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo chapter was founded at the university in 1978 under the title Society of Black Engineers and Scientists (SBES) and currently operates as one of only two Black student organizations on our campus, alongside our newly reestablished Black Student Union (BSU). Created to increase the retention and recruitment of Blacks in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields, SBES later became a collegiate chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). Our SLO chapter operates under the affiliation of Cal Poly's Multicultural Engineering Program (MEP) which provides services that help both academically and professionally and promote leadership for students of different cultures. As members of NSBE, our mission is "to increase the number of culturally responsible Black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally, and positively impact the community." We achieve this mission through various projects and activities implemented throughout the year on the chapter, regional, and national levels. We strive to advocate academic success through activities such as tutorial programs, group study sessions, technical seminars, mentor and mentee fellowship and professional development workshops.

Through the generosity of previous donors, companies have helped to open doors for collegiate students in STEM majors. Last year included many activities, which would not have been possible without such contributions. The flagship events for our organization include the NSBE Fall Regional Conference (FRC) and the National Convention. The 2016 FRC will be held in Denver, CO where members will get the chance to participate in productive workshops, network with industry professionals at the career fair, and showcase their technical prowess by exhibiting a project or competing in academic competitions. They will also get the chance to listen to several motivational keynote addresses delivered by industry leaders. The 2017 National Convention in Kansas City, MO will allow members to engage in the same stimulating activities as FRC, except on a much larger scale with over 100 engineering and technical companies participating in the career fair. In previous years, the National Convention has included nearly 10,000 students from universities around the world. By participating in these conferences, students are given a chance to explore and develop their skills as future African-American professionals. NSBE conferences pave the road to successful careers and internships for many of our members.

As you may know, NSBE is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization largely dependent on the contributions of outside organizations. Without the assistance of empathetic sponsors, funding would be placed upon the individual members. In the past, funding deficiencies have limited the ability of members to participate in the valuable opportunities our organization seeks to provide. This year, as we continue to increase membership in the organization (adding over twenty active members just last year and estimating a 23% membership increase this year), those of us on the executive board have made it our main priority to direct attention towards fundraising to aid in offsetting some of the funding for assorted activities. Particularly, our largest activity this year is the National Convention. After creating a budget for 2016-2017, NSBE has determined that our chapter remains in need of approximately **\$29,700.00** to fully conduct the programs and activities that will allow us to fulfill our mission. With your help this year, NSBE can continue to work towards that. NSBE is asking you to assist our vision of African-American achievement and professionalism with a tax-deductible contribution by becoming one of our Platinum Torchbearers. We understand that this is a large sum of funding and therefore appreciate any comparable donations that you may offer to help in our endeavors.

By investing in NSBE you are helping to increase the amount of African-American graduates who have a lasting impact in their work fields and communities. Just last year, six of our twenty-six members received eleven internships and job offers from within NSBE, three are currently on our executive board. Please help us ensure that the Society of Black Engineers and Scientists remains a progressive organization. We request that you review our attached proposal in order to assist in activities of interest. It is important that our members know of the immeasurable service that your contributions will continue to provide; NSBE is always looking for new ideas, feedback, and networking opportunities with companies, so please feel free to share any thoughts with our executive board. Also, if you are ever in the San Luis Obispo area, please contact us so that we may cordially invite you to one of our general meetings or events. The Society of Black Engineers and Scientists thanks you for your time, attention, and generosity.

Sincerely,

Cashion A. London
2016-2017 Treasurer
NSBE, Cal Poly SLO Chapter



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Estimated Expenditures

August 2016 - June 2017

Activities

Funding Necessary

Regional Leadership Conference in Las Vegas, NV (5 members)

Registration (\$60.00)	\$300.00
Transportation (\$70/person)	\$350.00

Fall Regional Conference in Denver, CO (12 members)

Registration (\$90.00)	\$1,080.00
Hotel Accommodations (3 rooms; \$105/night; 3 nights)	\$945.00
Transportation (\$350/person)	\$4,200.00

National Convention in Kansas City, MO (25 members)

Registration (\$145.00)	\$3,625.00
Hotel Accommodations (5 rooms; \$139/night; 5 nights)	\$3,475.00
Transportation (\$415/person)	\$10,375.00

Awards and Scholarships

Scholarships	\$3,000.00
Banquet	\$300.00

Annual Activities

Open House	\$350.00
Week of Welcome	\$500.00
Culturefest	\$250.00
Recruitment	\$150.00

Publications

Newsletter Publications	\$200.00
T-Shirts	\$600.00
Other	\$200.00

Miscellaneous

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Total Funding Required

\$31,900.00



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Projected Sources of Income:

Membership Dues & Fees	\$ 550.00
Fundraising	\$ 1,500.00
Open House	\$ 150.00
<u>Sub Total</u>	<u>\$ 2,200.00</u>

Net Funding Required:

Projected Source of Income	- \$ 2,200.00
Required Funding (See Estimated Expenditures)	\$ 29,700.00
<u>Net Funding Required</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>\$ 29,700.00</u>



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Become a Torch Sponsor of Cal Poly's National Society of Black Engineers Today!

National Society of Black Engineers is a non-profit organization that depends on the contributions of outside organizations and businesses to help operate its annual functions. As an incentive to our contributing sponsors, NSBE offers an opportunity for businesses and organizations to gain the status of silver, gold, diamond, or platinum torchbearer. Don't miss out on a great opportunity to support our future leaders!

Please fill out the corresponding information:

Company Name _____

Company Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Company Contact _____ Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Alternate Contact _____ Title _____

Phone _____ Email _____

- I would like to become a **Silver Torchbearer** (up to \$1,000) and receive a Certificate of Appreciation.
- I would like to become a **Gold Torchbearer** (\$1,001-\$2,499) and receive a Certificate of Appreciation and NSBE t-shirt.
- I would like to become a **Diamond Torchbearer** (\$2,500-\$4,999) and receive a Plaque of Appreciation, NSBE t-shirt, and have my company's logo appear on the NSBE 2016-2017 club website. (Please attach logo).
- I would like to become a **Platinum Torchbearer** (\$5,000 & up) and receive a Plaque of Appreciation, NSBE t-shirt, and have my company's logo appear on all NSBE publications and club website. (Please attach logo).

Please direct my contributions to the following items (Optional):

____ **National Convention:** NSBE's annual convention to take place in Boston, Massachusetts. Our goal is to have 30 members participate. However, the cost of registration, transportation, and lodging make it virtually impossible for the club to solely support members. This is our area of greatest need.
Amount Designation _____

____ **Scholarships:** Currently, four scholarships are granted to members with freshmen/transfer status. Our organization would like to create an opportunity to open scholarships to continuing students in technical fields as well as pre-collegiate students interested in furthering their education in the STEM fields.
Amount Designation _____

____ **Club Activities/Business:** This covers all the miscellaneous items that will support various field trips and social activities planned for members. It also encompasses contributions towards office equipment/supplies, awards/prizes, and materials for general meetings.
Amount Designation _____

Please attach this form and make checks payable to:
Attn: NSBE
Cal Poly Multicultural Engineering Program
1 Grand Ave, Bldg 40 Room 117
San Luis Obispo, CA 93407

For additional information on our annual programs, events or donating contact:
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NSBE is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All contributions are tax-deductible!

Thank you for your interest in NSBE!



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As an organization devoted to the professional development of our members, we are always interested in meeting with company representatives from various industries to gain personal insight to the corporate world. Here is a tentative schedule of the dates for our meetings throughout the 2016-2017 academic year. Please circle all dates you can possibly attend or present at. We would love for you to present at any meetings in black.

Please note:

Dates in **red** are already scheduled or for logistical purposes.

Dates in **green** are our two major conferences.

Fall Quarter 2016

September 30th *First meeting*

October 7th -8th ***Fall Career Fair***

October 7th *Mock Interviews*

October 14th *General meeting*

October 21st *General meeting*

October 28th *General meeting*

November 4th *General meeting*

November 18th *General meeting*

November 18-20rd ***Fall Regional Conference***

Winter Quarter 2018

January 13th ***First meeting***

January 19th ***MEP Leadership***

January 20th *Job Fair workshop**

January 20th-21st ***Winter Job Fair***

February 3rd *General meeting*

February 10th *General meeting*

February 17th *General Meeting*

February 24th *General Meeting*

March 2nd *General Meeting*

Spring Quarter 2017

March 29nd-April 2nd ***National Convention***

April 6th ***First meeting***

April 13th *Job Fair workshop**

April 13th-14th ***Spring Job Fair***

April 20th *General meeting*

April 27th *General meeting*

May 4th *General meeting*

May 11th *Election meeting*

May 18th *Transition meeting*

**If you are interested in participating in our job fair workshops (in bold), we are looking for representatives to review résumés and conduct mock interviews.*

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Topic of interest: _____

Date of preference: _____

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