



IDEAS FOR POTENTIAL PROJECTS

It is always important to make our chapter houses places where people WANT TO LIVE not a place where people tolerate. This day is a chance to change your chapters housing situation for the better so embrace it and work hard to make a change.

- 1) **Hold an Alumni/Chapter Meeting to:** form a housing corporation, initiate a capital campaign, propose renovations, or have a fundraiser for your chapter's house. This would be a time to get organized for the future of housing
- 2) **Spend a Day With Habitat for Humanity:** For the chapter that does not have the opportunity to have a house this is a fantastic option to help a family in need. Not only does it qualify you for the prizes it also is a great chance to build your community service hours.
- 3) **Improve Your House:** If your house is fully operational and in good working order, improving or adding features is a good way to separate your house from the competition on campus. Examples include:
 - a. Build a Deck or Patio
 - b. Improve curb appeal (landscaping)
 - c. Lay tile in the Kitchen or Bathrooms
 - d. Freshen up the paint inside or out
 - e. Put lighting outside to illuminate the house
 - f. Build a chapter museum to display trophies and other chapter memorabilia
 - g. Improve the entry way to give a better first impression
 - h. Have a professional add security.
 - i. Improve the Appearance of or add Letters to the house.
 - j. Chapter Room updates (furniture, paint, etc.)
 - k. Install new light fixtures
 - l. Install new bathroom fixtures.
- 4) **Run a General Maintenance Check:** The Operations and Condition Checklist is available in the planning guide as well as the housing website. This will give you an idea of the maintenance needed to get your house to working order. Although we should always strive for improvements rather than just maintaining, this is an essential to avoid the big problems down the road.