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## **National Women's Organization Awards Morgan \$10,000**

*Donation to make college affordable for students*

Morgan State University will be able to financially assist more of its students thanks to a donation by The Drifters, Inc. Mitchellville Chapter president Kimberly Oliver presented Morgan State University president, Dr. Earl S. Richardson, with a plaque and check with members of the Mitchellville and Baltimore Chapters of The Drifters Inc., in attendance.

Biannually, the group awards a Historically Black College \$10,000 to loan to students at the pleasure of the individual school. Funds are awarded through the organization's Revolving Student Loan Fund, which is a non-interest bearing loan fund. In 2008, the Mitchellville Chapter of The Drifters Inc., selected Morgan State University to receive the award. The Drifters Inc.'s mission is to help the community through aiding students in pursuing their education. More than 15 HBCUs have received the award from the organization since its inception in 1969.

Founded in 1954, The Drifters Inc., has 30 chapters in the U.S., making up a body of over 500 women. Each chapter is accessed money every year toward the fund. The national body convenes annually every August to discuss nominations for the award.

For more information on The Drifters, Inc., visit [www.thedriftersinc.org](http://www.thedriftersinc.org).

Morgan State University, founded in 1867, is a Carnegie-classified doctoral research professional institution offering more than 60 academic programs leading to bachelor's degrees as well as programs at the master's and doctoral levels. As Maryland's public urban university, Morgan serves a multi-ethnic and multi-racial student body and seeks to ensure that the doors of higher education are opened as wide as possible to as many as possible. For more information on Morgan State University, call 443-885-3022 or visit [www.morgan.edu](http://www.morgan.edu).

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