

Purpose of the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, Inc

The AMARANTH DIABETES FOUNDATION, INC. raises funds for diabetes research. Since no administrative expenses are withheld, all monies raised are passed directly to the American Diabetes Association Research Foundation (ADARF) for specific research projects with 100% of funds donated being used for research grants.

<u>History</u>

Honored Lady Marie Waters, Past Supreme Royal Matron, of Connecticut, began the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. It was Honored Lady Marie's desire to give the Order of the Amaranth a specific charity to be associated with and a vessel for the funds raised by Amaranth members. By establishing this Foundation, Honored Lady Marie felt the Order would obtain greater recognition for its charitable efforts and donations.

Supreme Council adopted the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, Inc at the 1979 Supreme Assembly and established an irrevocable Trust Fund for this purpose. ALL Members of the Order are automatically members of this Foundation.

Accomplishments

Since 1979 the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation has donated in excess of \$9.0 million dollars to the American Diabetes Association (ADA) Research Foundation.

In 1996, the ADA presented the Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth the "Charles H. Best" Medal for distinguished service in the fight to find a cure for diabetes. Supreme Royal Matron, Honored Lady Sara Ann Seibert and Supreme Royal Patron, Sir Knight Richard D. "Ned" Kelly were honored to accept the award on the behalf of Supreme Council.

Supreme Council, Order of the Amaranth, Inc. had milestone years in 2002 and 2003. Supreme Council gave donations of \$554,000 and \$514,000 respectively. This allowed ADA to award 5 research grants to researchers at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, Georgetown University Medical Center, University of Iowa, Washington University School of Medicine, and the University of Washington & VA Puget Sound Health Care System.