

# What's New

## USA-USA Database Enhancements

... as of October 28, 2024

- ✓ **Fraternity Meeting Time and Place report** added to the Regional Summary Page. This report gives you a list of all the active fraternities in the region along with their meeting time and location.
- ✓ **TAU-USA Delivery method** added to Regional Address List and Fraternity Roster. This field indicates whether the member is receiving the TAU-USA only by email, or by regular mail for the one issue that is printed.
- ✓ **Fraternity Election & Visitation Dates** report added on the Regional Summary Page. This report gives you a list of the fraternities with their current and estimated next dates for planning purposes. The Next Election date is calculated by the system as three years after the current election. The Next Pastoral and Fraternal Visitations date can be edited at the fraternity level.

... as of September 2, 2024

- ✓ **Bad Email flag** added to Regional Address List and Fraternity Roster. When you download these reports in csv format to create an email list for mailings, you can filter out the bad emails using Excel.
- ✓ **User Permissions for organizations** – available on Summary Pages. Check who has read or edit

permissions to your organization. This report includes user category, which helps you understand why certain people have permissions to your organization.

- ✓ Add suffix to names in the **Org Unit Positions** display
- ✓ Implemented **Brevo** and **Zero Bounce** software tools for bulk email distribution from the database. This includes our ability to verify emails and provide feedback to administrators for corrections. These tools will be used to send emails to all active members (about 10,000) and track delivery. These bulk emails will only be sent with the approval of the NEC.
- ✓ Updated **TAU-USA distribution** process to reflect email distribution.

. . . as of May 25, 2024

- ✓ The **Directory of Fraternity Councils** report on the Regional Summary page now has a filter to select the fraternity councils for a specific group or district (or multiple groups and districts).

. . . as of March 29, 2024

- ✓ A **Data Quality Report** is now available on the National and Regional Summary Pages. See details about the report here: [Data Quality Report User Documentation](#).

. . . as of March 7, 2024

- ✓ You can now access the **National Directory** from any Summary Page (Fraternity, Region, National and Province). No need to navigate to the National Summary Page to access it.

### . . . as of February 8, 2024

- ✓ The **National Directory** is now live on the Database!  
It is located on the National Summary Page, and requires either edit or read access to the National Organization, but can be shared as a pdf. Use caution when sharing, and emphasize that the data is only to be used internally to the OFS.  
The information in the directory is fed from the database, but the report is not real time. It will be updated weekly.

### . . . as of February 2, 2024

- ✓ New report for **positions by persons/persons by position** on the User Reports Page.

This report allows you to look up all the current positions (across organizations) for any person in the database. You can also search by position, which will give you a list of everyone in the database who currently holds that position.

- ✓ Added **Province bonding** to the fraternity list on the Region Summary Page.
- ✓ **Revised User Reports page** showing report links available directly from the page, a list of reports available on the Summary Pages (National, Region, Fraternity, Province), and a list of planned reports to be developed.

- ✓ **Demographics report** added to the National and Regional summary pages.
- ✓ Added link to the **Regional Annual Report** page on the Database log in page.