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## 2023 National Panhellenic Conference Announces Inaugural Centennial Scholarship Recipients

**INDIANAPOLIS** – The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) today announced the recipients of the inaugural Centennial Scholarship awards. The NPC Centennial Scholarships are named in honor of the NPC Foundation's Centennial Fund, which provides the funding for the new program. The NPC Foundation's mission is to support NPC priorities and initiatives to enhance the sorority experience, including scholarship programs like this one.

"NPC has a long history of advocating to make the cost of a higher education more affordable to more women." said Dani Weatherford, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of NPC. "These new NPC Centennial Scholarships are one more step we are taking to improve college affordability."

NPC awarded scholarships to 10 college-bound women, totaling \$20,000 to help offset their undergraduate education costs:

- Lucie Bernard, University of California, San Diego.
- Ella Chafin, Indiana University Bloomington.
- Emma Coomes, University of Kentucky.
- Mahi Gupta, University of Rochester.
- Bailey Hudgens, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.
- Maya Lis, University of California Berkeley.
- Eleanor Meges, The University of Chicago.
- Nitya Pakala, Cornell University.
- Shriya Rudraraju, University of Michigan Ann-Arbor.
- Allyson Tam, The University of Texas at Austin.

Applicants were required to write a short essay describing either their current experience with service and leadership in a women's-only or women's-focused organization (e.g., Girl Scouts, Girls on the Run, Girls Inc., local organizations for women and girls) or the applicant's plans to participate in a women's-only or women's-focused organization during college. Scholarship recipients were selected based on academic pursuits, school/extra-curricular involvement, community involvement, letters of recommendation and their short essay.

## **About National Panhellenic Conference**

NPC, one of the largest organizations advocating for women, is the umbrella group for 26 national and international sororities. NPC sororities are located on more than 670 campuses with more than 375,000 undergraduate members in more than 3,350 chapters. Alumnae are represented in nearly 3,500 associations throughout the world. For more information, including a complete list of NPC sororities, visit <a href="majorated-npc-women.org">npcwomen.org</a> or find NPC on <a href="majorated-npc-women.org">Instagram</a>, <a href="majorated-npc-women.org">Twitter</a> and <a href="majorated-npc-women.org">Facebook</a>.

## **About the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation (NPC Foundation)**

Established in 1995, the mission of the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation is to support the priorities and initiatives of the National Panhellenic Conference. The NPC Foundation does so through prudent investment and disbursement of funds that enables the Conference to better advocate for and support the sorority experience. (npcwomen.org/foundation)