



## **The 1,000 Dreams Fund Announces Its First Ever Student Advisory Board**

The 1,000 Dreams Fund (1DF), a national scholarship fund for American girls in high school and college, announced today its first ever Student Advisory Board. The mission of the Student Advisory Board is to provide a fresh perspective on issues facing young women today and to help them achieve their dreams through mentor programs, career advice and internship opportunities.

Only 20 spots are awarded each year. The young women that were selected are all exemplary students and have demonstrated a true passion for making a difference in their community. This year's Student Advisory Board will be tasked with event planning, fundraising, and developing social media challenges that award young women funds to help make their dreams a reality.

"We believe that young women today face complex obstacles and often lack certain support systems," said Christie Garton, Founder of the 1,000 Dreams Fund. "We are thrilled to welcome our first class of student advisors and we're very much looking forward to making a big impact together this year!"

**The 2016 1,000 Dreams Fund Student Advisory Board Members are:**

Sophia Hadeka, Ithaca College

Sharlena Luyen, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Octavia O'Neil, California State University, Fresno

Emma Ehlers, University of Arkansas

Jasmine Babers, University of Illinois - Chicago

Gabrielle Frost, Drexel University

Julie Wang, Centennial High School

Amanda Condon, Arkansas Tech University

Jennifer Crim, Towson University

Ingrid Iverson, Park City High School

Zarina Iman, Horace Mann School

Lizi Xiong, Bellaire Senior High School/Ernst-Barlach-Gesamtschule

Maggie Gehlsen, University of Alabama

Sanah Jivani, University of Texas at San-Antonio

Karina Kiewel, University of Kansas (School of Law)

Antonia Martin, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Carina Rosa, Manchester High School

Logan Brown, Vanderbilt University

Isabella Maria Allen, Arundel High School

**About the 1,000 Dreams Fund:**

The 1,000 Dreams Fund (1DF) is a national scholarship fund for American girls in high school and college. The 1DF believes that big expenses should never stand in the way of big dreams. Since its launch in 2015, over \$40,000 in funding has been granted to talented young women in need, helping them pay for the "extras" in school like study abroad, tech devices for the classroom and travel to conferences and seminars. 1DF has been featured in NBCNews.com, *USA Today*, MarketWatch, Forbes, Huffington Post, *Chicago Tribune*, Entrepreneur, TODAY, etc. To learn more about their work, visit <http://1000dreamsfund.org/>.