

Scripps Howard Foundation selects 2022-2023 fellows

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CINCINNATI – Four journalists have been selected for a year-long investigative reporting fellowship program supported by the Scripps Howard Foundation, the philanthropic arm of The E.W. Scripps Company ([NASDAQ: SSP](#)).

In conjunction with the Scripps Washington Bureau, Newsy and The Texas Tribune, the Scripps Howard Fellows will spend 12 months developing investigative reporting skills while learning about editorial decisions inside the newsrooms.

“It’s vital to give young journalists the tools they need to provide accurate, in-depth reporting to keep the public well-informed,” said Liz Carter, president and CEO of the Scripps Howard Foundation.

Managers from the newsrooms and the Foundation selected the fellows from more than 80 applicants. This class of fellows will work in the newsrooms from June 2022 through May 2023.

The 2022-2023 Scripps Howard Fellows are:

Rachel Gold

Gold is an award-winning journalist and 2021 graduate of the Howard Center for Investigative Journalism at Arizona State University. As a student data journalist, Gold worked to unravel one of the largest publicly available federal Justice Department datasets, containing more than 12 million records. Her research, along with a partner, found the FBI has closed more than 1,900 criminal investigations of child sexual abuse in Indian Country in the last decade. The result was the Howard Center investigation “[Little Victims Everywhere](#),” which was awarded an EPPY from Editor and Publisher for top collegiate investigation. After graduating, she was contracted as the sole data researcher for the [Arizona Center for Investigative Reporting’s](#) four-part series focused on Arizona’s public mental healthcare system. Gold will work as a data reporter with the Scripps Washington Bureau and Newsy.

Meghan Sullivan

Sullivan was born and raised in Alaska, where she said her interest in reporting on overlooked stories began. While studying international relations at Stanford University, Sullivan reported on the unexpected impacts of technology through two internships with NBC News. After graduating, Sullivan was selected to lead a multimedia series for Indian Country Today, the nation’s leading Indigenous news publication, in partnership with Alaska Public Media and the Anchorage Daily News. The coverage focused on the unsettled aspects of landmark legislation that established new land laws and legal jurisdictions within Alaska. Sullivan was named a 2020 Overseas Press Club Fellow and has won several awards from the Native American Journalists Association. Sullivan will work as an investigative reporter for video for the Scripps Washington Bureau and Newsy.

Fabiana Chaparro

Chaparro said her interest in storytelling and connecting with people began after she lived in five different countries: Venezuela, Mexico, Libya, Singapore and the United States. She is studying broadcast journalism and political science at the University of Houston, where she worked as a social media and writing intern at the Jack J. Valenti School of Communication. Chaparro interned at Houston Public Media, CNN and KTRK in Houston. She has reported several stories on sexual assault and its effects on immigrant women, COVID-19 and the Houston art community. After graduating this spring, Chaparro will work as a multimedia reporter with The Texas Tribune.

Caroline Covington

Covington is a digital reporter and producer at the [Texas Standard](#), specializing in data reporting and visualizations. She received her master's degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin in 2017. Covington also earned a master's degree in French studies from New York University and a bachelor's degree in biology from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Covington has explored topics such as homelessness and the overhaul of the state hospital system and has looked at new solutions for post-traumatic stress disorder. Covington will produce data visuals with The Texas Tribune.

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