Scripps Howard Fund offers journalism grants to increase diversity and inclusion in the industry

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CINCINNATI – The Scripps Howard Fund is offering grants to universities and nonprofits to help increase diversity and inclusion in the journalism industry.  

Find the application and apply here.

Applications should outline a proposed new program or one that grows an existing project. High school programs or college internship programs are not eligible. The deadline to apply is April 15, 2024. Finalists will be selected in June.

The purpose of these grants is to use experiential learning to:

- Advance equity, diversity and inclusion in student media, journalism education and the journalism pipeline while providing access to mentors and networks.
- Prepare students for professional and public challenges and pressures they may face as journalists of color or members of other under-represented groups.
- Foster connections and understanding between students from various backgrounds and institutions and equip students to deliver inclusive journalism that ensures all voices in a community are represented.

Proposals may address any of these purposes or a combination of them.

Director of Journalism Strategies Mike Canan will have a Q&A about these grants at 2 p.m. EST March 14 via Zoom. To register for this Q&A, email mike.canan@scripps.com.

In 2023, the Scripps Howard Fund provided $150,000 for journalism grants to increase diversity and inclusion. The Fund awarded a combined total of $75,000 to two universities and one nonprofit in the spring and a combined total of $75,000 to one university and three nonprofits in the fall.

To receive information on the finalists selected for this grant, sign up for the Fund’s journalism newsletter.

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About Scripps Howard Fund
The Scripps Howard Fund, a public charity established by The E.W. Scripps Company (NASDAQ: SSP), is dedicated to creating informed and engaged communities through journalism education, childhood literacy and local causes. At the crossroads of the classroom and the newsroom, the Fund is a leader in supporting journalism through scholarships, internships, minority recruitment and development and First Amendment causes. The Scripps Howard Awards stand as one of the industry’s top honors for outstanding journalism. The Fund’s annual “If You Give a Child a Book …” childhood literacy campaign has distributed thousands of new books to children in need across the nation. The Fund partners with Scripps brands to create awareness of local issues and support organizations that build thriving communities. The Scripps Howard Fund administers funding for the Scripps Howard Foundation, a private foundation established in 1962 to advance charitable causes important to The E.W. Scripps Company and the Scripps and Howard families.