



ONE HUNDRED BLACK MEN
Founding Chapter

2019

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS
Changing Outcomes, Saving Lives
2019: \$100,000 IN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS!



LEADING THE WAY IN BUILDING OUR FUTURE LEADERS

BUILDING FUTURE LEADERS



“If we don’t take responsibility for developing our future leaders, then who will?”

Michael J. Garner, MBA

President

One Hundred Black Men, Inc.

“If you are not planning, you are being planned.”

Harold Washington

Former Mayor,
City of Chicago

“Everybody stands on somebody’s shoulders. Nobody gets anywhere alone.”

David N. Dinkins

Former Mayor,
City of New York

One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of New York (OHBM) remains dedicated to creating positive change in all NYC communities. Through our four key areas, education, mentoring, economic empowerment and health and wellness, supporting the education of young men and women who have been identified as potential leaders is at the heart of our work.

The OHBM commitment to education is as old as the founding of our organization. From informal mentoring to the creation of the first Eagle Academy in 2004, to the current scholarship program, OHBM has directly and indirectly impacted the lives of thousands of young people.

The core OHBM youth development programs are mentoring, scholarships and paid corporate internships. This longitudinal service approach requires board leadership, members, mentors and sponsors to invest time and funds into each scholar. The cornerstone of this approach is college scholarships. OHBM provides scholarships based on academic performance, community service and financial need for students to achieve their goal of obtaining a college degree.

Our scholarship program is focused on supporting our talented young scholars and providing individual scholarships to at least twenty worthy candidates, annually. In each of the last two years, OHBM has awarded \$100,000 in college scholarships and over \$1million since the scholarship program began. Our next step is to provide every scholarship recipient with a paid corporate internship to build their resume and give them valuable experience to take into the world of work. With your ongoing support, we will provide scholarships and internships as we continue to create a new generation of leaders.

The results of OHBM’s Scholarship program have been groundbreaking and demonstrate how our investment in the education of our youth continues to yield the highest returns. The pages that follow include the faces and words of our young men and women who have received 2019 OHBM Scholarships. We invite you to join us in building the next generation of leaders!

ONE STORY CHANGING THE FUTURE



“I credit OHBM’s Scholarship and Education Program as one of the key pillars in supporting and advancing my education.”

Geidily Beaton

Sophie Davis at City College

Senior

Major: Biomedicine

My name is Geidily Beaton and I am a Senior at the CUNY School of Medicine and a proud ambassador of the One Hundred Black Men of New York. This organization has molded me into a leader and taught me to be a fighter in every battle I face in life. I was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in a small impoverished town by my grandmother, who was a midwife and the only medically trained person within 20 miles of our home. As a young child, I walked throughout the entire town with my grandmother as she delivered babies, administered injections and healed wounds. My love for medicine stemmed from this perfect angel who seemed to ease everyone’s pain. I had an unceasing admiration for the immeasurable passion with which my grandmother worked and the gratitude she received from the townspeople. It was my hope to one day inherit this beautiful craft.

Coming to the United States was a massive culture shock. I did not know one word of English. However, I quickly learned. I also learned the value of a quality education. From a young age, both my mother and my grandmother molded me into a knowledge-hungry child with an insatiable desire to become a doctor. However, that dream seemed far-fetched as I was an immigrant from a low socio-economic status with limited resources and aid.

I worked for my dream throughout high school. With the aid of teachers and mentors, I strived to become a strong college candidate. My senior year, all of my hard work paid off. I knew I would be able to bring my dream into fruition on the day that I was accepted into the Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education now known as the CUNY School of Medicine.

My success as a student and leader is attributed to the strong women in my household and to the One Hundred Black Men of New York. Joining the Junior 100 program as a junior in high school, I was initially intimidated by the empowering black men in the room and by the difficult tasks they assigned us. Every Saturday morning I would wake up bright and early and practice my elevator pitch in order to impress these successful men. Every Saturday morning, I would meet a new successful minority executive and boy, was it inspiring! Unconsciously, the program had changed my mindset. I was not just a minority student from a low socio-economic household with only a dream to become a doctor. No, I was a minority student from a low socio-economic household with the goal to become a doctor, and I was going to make that happen despite a system built to keep me only dreaming. Unconsciously, my self-confidence boosted and I was finally able to speak

in front of others without my palms sweating and without any care about whether my Dominican accent would come out while I spoke. I was slowly becoming a leader with qualities of strength, power, dedication, motivation and confidence.

Most of all, the Junior 100 program taught me how to be comfortable in a room full of successful men, a depiction of reality in the world. A few weeks ago, I was doing an interview for the One Hundred, and I was asked if being a woman in a room full of men was intimidating. If you had asked me that question as a junior in high school, I would have undoubtedly said yes, but having been a part of the One Hundred for nearly five years, I replied, “This experience taught me to be a warrior in a battlefield.”

I would not have been able to accomplish so much without knowing that I have a strong support system with the One Hundred Black Men of New York, which is the epitome of an organization striving to bring about change one minority student at a time. I am the plant that grew from a seed that received constant nourishing and care, respectful and successful men and women.

ABOUT ONE HUNDRED BLACK MEN, INC.

One Hundred Black Men, Inc. began in New York City in 1963 as an organization of like-minded business, political and community leaders who met to advocate for the improvement of conditions in their communities. These men envisioned an organization that would capitalize on the collective power of community to address issues of inequities and to empower African Americans to become agents of change in their communities. These visionaries were business and industry leaders such as Robert Mangum, Cyril Tyson, J. Bruce Llewellyn, Livingston Wingate, Andrew Hatcher and David Dinkins. They forever changed the face of Black social, economic and political empowerment.

As a symbol of solidarity, the group embraced the name One Hundred Black Men. This new, powerful civic organization would grow to be the voice of black business, social and community leaders. A community and youth-serving 501(c)(3), One Hundred Black Men, Inc. of NY provides scholarships, educational support, economic empowerment, mentoring, health and wellness initiatives and serves as an overall voice of the African American community.

In 1986, OHBM of NY supported the founding of our national organization, 100 Black Men of America, based in Atlanta, Georgia. The national organization has grown to a confederation of over 116 chapters located domestically and abroad. "The 100" has become one of the preeminent African American organizations that empower our communities.

OHBM LEADERS DEDICATED TO EDUCATION AND MENTORSHIP



Reginald L. Pittman
Board Member and Co-Chair of
Education and Scholarship Committee



Greg Worrell
Board Member and Co-Chair of
Education and Scholarship Committee

The goal of the OHBM Education & Scholarship Program is to enhance the lives of African American youth and positively change the communities in which they live. Two OHBM Board Members have assumed leadership of the Education & Scholarship Committee and are supporting its growth and advancement.

As Co-Chairs of the Education & Scholarship Committee, Reginald Pittman and Greg Worrell have been instrumental in advancing the scholarship program through innovative programs that support the scholars' financial awards. Mentoring and supplemental programs connect each scholar to OHBM board members who provide advice and encouragement throughout the year.

The Committee developed the Scholars' Retention Program. The Retention Program is a monthly conference call that the Committee has with the scholars. The call provides a direct one-on-one opportunity for scholars to share their new experiences with peers, while hearing from successful African American males on how to be successful in college, build business and personal relationships and understand collegiate organizations.

"Our scholars learn from us, and we continue to learn from them," noted Mr. Pittman. "The process is a synergistic experience for both OHBM Board Members and the scholars, and it continues to fuel and energize our work together," added Mr. Worrell.

THE ONE HUNDRED BLACK MEN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The One Hundred Black Men Scholarship Fund is dedicated to gathering resources to award \$100,000 in college scholarships and provide ongoing support to deserving students throughout the New York City area. For several decades, the Fund has assisted hundreds of scholars who otherwise would not be able to complete their studies and obtain the degrees necessary to meet their career goals.

Recognizing that the collegiate experience includes expenses beyond tuition, the OHBM Scholarship is awarded directly to scholars to cover books, meals, housing and other necessary costs. Additionally, monthly retention calls are held to support scholars during the school year. Group calls, conducted by the OHBM scholarship committee, allow scholars to share their successes and concerns while seeking advice from their peers and OHBM mentors.

In the summer, OHBM works to connect scholars to corporate internships in their various fields of endeavor. These internships play a critical role in laying the foundation for a smooth transition from college to the professional world.

Our scholars are counting on YOU!



John Catsimatidis

Owner, President, Chairman
and CEO of Red Apple Group



Meredith Marshall

Managing Partner and Co-founder
of BRP Development

The success of the OHBM Scholarship Program can be directly attributed to the generous support of corporate and individual donations. Leading the way are two of the One Hundred's most ardent supporters, Mr. John Catsimatidis, Owner, President, Chairman and CEO of Red Apple Group and Mr. Meredith Marshall, Managing Partner and Co-Founder of BRP Development. Each has committed a total of \$100,000 to the OHBM Scholarship fund over the next few years. They have our greatest appreciation.

Will YOU step up and be a champion for education? Our scholars are counting on you!

6 CATSIMATIDIS SCHOLARS

Shaun Marcus Abraham
Justin Brown
Joshua Bunch
Ruben Saint Paul
Shazif Shaikh

7 MARSHALL SCHOLARS

Amos Alcius
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“Our 2019 OHBM Scholarship fund goal is \$125,000, which covers the cost of the scholarships and program operations.”

Courtney A. Bennett, OHBM Executive Director

2019 CATSIMATIDIS SCHOLARS



The OHBM scholarship is important because it funds the continuation of my education while lowering the financial pressure on my mother. OHBM believes in me.

Shaun Marcus Abraham

SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Freshman
Major: Computer and Information Science



The One Hundred Black Men Scholarship will assist in lessening the impact of high tuition and costly book prices while keeping me accountable to maintain high grades.

Justin Brown

Widener University
Senior
Major: Sports Management



The Scholarship is important to me, because it allows me to pay for books on time, which allows me to keep up with my curriculum so I can continue to excel.

Joshua Bunch

NYU Stern School of Business
Junior
Major: Finance and Data Science



I am delighted to be one of the first scholars to receive the OHBM/Catsimatidis Family Scholarship. The scholarship demonstrates that a group of caring black men have my best interests at heart.

Ruben Saint Paul

Stony Brook
Freshman
Major: Computer and Information Sciences



The OHBM scholarship has allowed me to pursue a career where I have a meaningful impact on the lives of many within the aerospace domain. I am immensely grateful for the organization's support and hope that I can give back to the community in a similar fashion.

Shazif Shaikh

Syracuse University
Senior
Major: Aerospace Engineering

2019 MARSHALL SCHOLARS



The scholarship award will push me further towards dream of a medical career and serve as one of the driving forces to help me get a position that will allow me to take care of the less fortunate in the community.

Amos Alcius

Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine
OMS-II
Doctorate Candidate of Medicine



To me, this scholarship is about survival. It allows me to pay for food and shelter. Because of the One Hundred, overall, I have been able to grow as an individual as they continuously encourage me to provide service to others, to be my best self and to always strive for success.

Geidily Beaton

Sophie Davis at City College
Senior
Major: Biomedicine



By being given this scholarship, I will be able to further my education while easing the financial strain on my family. This scholarship is an example of the dedication it takes to succeed and an example of how hard work may not always go unnoticed.

Baruch Braithwaite

Iona College
Freshman
Major: Undeclared



This scholarship gives me the opportunity to obtain my dual degree in mechanical engineering and economics and be a positive role model in my community.

Gardy Edouard

City College of New York
Senior
Major: Mechanical Engineering and Economics



This scholarship has given me the opportunity to continue my college career debt free. Thank you for this opportunity as I continue to be the return on your investment.

Tevin Skeete

SUNY New Paltz University
Junior
Major: Junior

2019 SCHOLARS



I appreciate the opportunity and encouragement to pursue an enriched education as I focus on the qualitative impact that education will have on me not only as a scholar, but a black woman.

Alanya Banner

John Hopkins University
Freshman
Major: Psychology



This scholarship is important to me because it will relieve some of the financial stress that is inevitable with college.

Christopher Boyd

University of Southern California
Junior
Major: Health and Human Science



This scholarship means a lot because it is helping me pay for my education, which I take very seriously. I believe a college education is important, and I am thankful for the opportunity to get one. This scholarship is helping achieve that education so for that I am grateful.

Kareem Brown

Temple University
Freshman
Major: Political Science and Criminal Justice



The OHBM scholarship gives me the opportunity to improve myself and others. It pushes me to finish school strong and make my creative ideas tangible in the future.

Lance Brown

City College of New York
Senior
Major: Theater and Communications



Being awarded this scholarship is a blessing to me and my family. I am appreciative to have been selected for this scholarship as it will help as I go forward in pursuit of my studies.

David Daniels

Morehouse College
Freshman
Major: Political Science



The One Hundred Black Men Scholarship has not only helped me pay to attend school, but has also helped keep me focused on academics with monthly conference calls.

Blake Duncanson

Syracuse University
Junior
Major: Communications Design



The scholarship will help prepare me for the next five years I'll be spending in college and my future. I plan on remaining in college for five years in order to graduate with my Bachelor's and Master's degree.

Edwin Engleton

St. Peters University
Freshman
Major: Business Management



The AMA has reported that the number of black men in medical school was higher in 1978 than in 2014. This scholarship helps me strive to be the face of diversity and inclusion in healthcare professions in America.

Tahvis Magruder

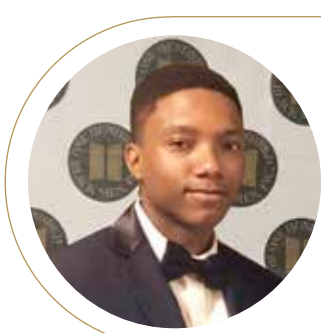
Morehouse College
Sophomore
Major: Biology (Pre-Med)



The OHBM Scholarship is helping me to manage the current tuition for community college and enables me to save for tuition to a four-year college in the near future.

Allen Robinson

Borough of Manhattan Community College
Freshman
Major: Business Administration



The One Hundred Black Men scholarship means a lot to me. It allows me to continue my studies and connect with other scholars who will someday change the world.

Patrick Tulce

New York City College of Technology
Freshman
Major: Mechanical Engineering





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One Hundred Black Men, Inc. (OHBM) provides scholarships, educational support, economic empowerment, mentoring, health and wellness initiatives and serves as an overall voice of the African American community.

Vision. One Hundred Black Men, Inc. seeks to provide leadership in the African American community through engaged partnerships, educational institutions, community activism and philanthropy. Our goal is to engage our communities to address inequities and seek social and economic justice.

Values. We are committed to the intellectual development of youth and the economic empowerment of the African American community based on the following precepts: respect for family, spirituality, justice and integrity.

The New York City Chapter of One Hundred Black Men, Inc. includes a combination of thought-leadership and direct service which allows us to manage our own portfolio of programs which primarily serve the African-American community, while also leveraging the talent of our members to influence broader policy development and resource-allocation. The members of One Hundred Black Men serve on dozens of corporate advisory councils, government policy committees and non-profit boards.