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The National Basketball Retired Players Association (NBRPA) today announced the launch of the Legends HBCU Scholarship – a scholarship fund and scholars program for undergraduate students attending HBCUs across the country. The Legends HBCU



Scholarship is the latest program from the NBRPA's <u>Legends Care</u> initiative and will become an integral component of the NBRPA's mission and scope of influence for years to come. Legends Scholars will receive a \$10,000 scholarship in recognition of their academic excellence and desire to make a positive and purposeful impact in the world.

"As a second generation HBCU graduate, this program is much more than a scholarship. The Legends HBCU Scholarship program will help us build upon our efforts to provide support for HBCU institutions and amplify the crucial role they play in our communities," said Scott Rochelle, NBRPA President & CEO. "We are extremely proud and honored to help ensure that these extraordinary college students have access to the substantial and multifaceted resources offered through our Legends Scholars program during their collegiate career and beyond."

"There is a rich history of HBCUs and their alums contributing to our society," said Grant Hill, NBRPA Board Secretary, Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame inductee (Class of 2018) and

HBCU Legends Scholarship Review Committee Member. "It is an honor and a privilege to be able to use our platform to create this legacy program and assist in developing future global leaders."

In addition to addressing the financial needs of Legends Scholars, a comprehensive scholars program will assist Legends Scholars in the areas of career preparation and development, job placement and mentoring both during and after their undergraduate years. Specifically, through the Legends Scholars program, Legends Scholars will receive:

- •Membership to the NBRPA's Legends Scholars job board
- •Access to internship/employment opportunities within the sports industry and/or with companies that are owned and operated by NBRPA Legends.
- •During their scholarship year, Legends Scholars will receive complimentary access, travel and lodging to the NBRPA's annual Legends Conference.
- •During their senior year, Legends Scholars will take part in a complimentary career development session.
- Dpon graduating from an HBCU, Legends Scholars will enter the Legends Scholars Mentoring Program.

The 2021 Legends HBCU Scholarship application will open on Thursday, April 1, 2021 at legendsofbasketball.com/HBCU. Current undergraduates attending HBCUs will have the opportunity to apply until 11:59pm CST on Friday, May 14, 2021.

About the National Basketball Retired Players Association:

The National Basketball Retired Players Association (NBRPA) is comprised of former professional basketball players from the NBA, ABA, WNBA and Harlem Globetrotters. It is a 501(c) 3 organization with a mission to develop, implement and advocate a wide array of programs to benefit its members, supporters and the community. The NBRPA was founded in 1992 by basketball legends Dave DeBusschere, Dave Bing, Archie Clark, Dave Cowens and Oscar Robertson. The NBRPA works in direct partnerships with the NBA and the National Basketball Players Association. Legends Care is the charitable initiative of the NBRPA that positively impacts youth and communities through basketball. Scott Rochelle is President and CEO, and the NBRPA Board of Directors includes Chairman of the Board Johnny Davis, Vice Chairman Dave Cowens, Treasurer Sam Perkins, Secretary Grant Hill, Thurl Bailey, Caron Butler, Jerome Williams, Shawn Marion, David Naves and Sheryl Swoopes. Learn more at legendsofbasketball.com.

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