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## **Minds Matter Selected as 100 Women in Hedge Funds' 2016 U.S. Beneficiary**

### ***15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala to be held November 9, 2016 in New York City***

New York, NY - March 3, 2016 - 100 Women in Hedge Funds ([www.100womeninhedgefunds.org](http://www.100womeninhedgefunds.org)) today announces Minds Matter National, Inc. as the beneficiary of its U.S. philanthropic activities in 2016, including the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala at Cipriani 42<sup>nd</sup> Street to be held on November 9, 2016 and other fundraisers. 100 Women in Hedge Funds ("100WHF") is a global, practitioner-driven non-profit organization serving more than 13,000 alternative investment management investors and professionals through educational, professional leverage and philanthropic initiatives. To date, 100WHF has raised \$38 million (gross) for charitable causes.

Minds Matter National, Inc. has a comprehensive and highly-successful three-year program that empowers high school students from low-income families to achieve college readiness and success. Minds Matter provides tutoring, mentoring and enrichment experiences that prepare students for bright futures, and achieves a 100% college acceptance rate for its students at quality institutions across the country. Funds will be utilized to grow and support summer programs in existing Minds Matter chapters and grow the organization's national infrastructure and expansion to reach additional students.

100 Women in Hedge Funds' mission was established on three core pillars: Education, Peer Leverage and Philanthropy. 100WHF's philanthropic mission is to leverage its members' collective abilities and expertise in order to give back to the global community among three annually rotating themes: Education, Mentoring, and Women's and Family Health. This year's global theme is Mentoring.

"Students participating in the Minds Matter program are equipped to succeed in college and beyond thanks to the intensive training in writing, critical thinking and math that helps them prepare for and transcend the college test preparation and application process. Analysis and communication are the basis for professional achievement in any field, which is why 100 Women in Hedge Funds is delighted to support Minds Matter and the outstanding impact of its three-year program for promising high school students," said Lauren Malafronte, 100WHF Vice Chair of the Board of Directors and Managing Director, Prime Services, Scotiabank.

"We are so humbled and grateful for the opportunity to work with 100 Women in Hedge Funds to take Minds Matter to the next level. Every day, we are deeply honored to help students change the trajectories of their lives. We look forward to providing even more students the support they need to uncover their potential, which we know will affect generations to follow in ways we can only begin to imagine," said Ellen Magnis, Executive Director, Minds Matter.

100WHF is planning a number of fundraising events in locations across the U.S. this year. Firms and individuals interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities, purchasing tables for the New York Gala on November 9, 2016, or making a donation, please [click here](#) or email the [New York Gala committee](#).

### **About 100 Women in Hedge Funds ([www.100womeninhedgefunds.org](http://www.100womeninhedgefunds.org))**

100 Women in Hedge Funds is a global, practitioner-driven non-profit organization serving over 13,000 alternative investment management investors and professionals in 20 locations through educational, professional leverage and philanthropic initiatives. Formed in 2001, 100 Women in Hedge Funds has hosted over 500 industry education events

globally, connected more than 350 senior women through Peer Advisory Groups and raised over \$38 million for philanthropic causes in the areas of women's and family health, education and mentoring.

**About Minds Matter** ([www.mindsmatter.org](http://www.mindsmatter.org))

Minds Matter transforms the lives of accomplished high school students from low-income families by broadening their dreams and preparing them for college success. Through a highly selective and rigorous 3-year academic mentoring program, Minds Matter students accomplish the extraordinary. 100% of Minds Matter program graduates are accepted into a four-year college. More than 70% of them attend some of our nation's more selective colleges. Powered by 1,900 volunteers nationwide, Minds Matter Chapters are located in 12 cities across the country, with a new Detroit chapter launching in the fall of 2016. The national office of Minds Matter is located in Manhattan.

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