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## Press Release

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**WASHINGTON, DC (Aug. 7, 2018)** Following up on his generous \$100,000 scholarship gift made through UNCF (the United Negro College Fund) to four deserving college students back in 2015, actor and comedian Kevin Hart has joined forces with UNCF and KIPP (Knowledge Is Power Program) to help 18 more KIPP students earn a college degree including three [Xavier University of Louisiana](#) students: freshman Lauryn Williams, junior Daja Brooks, and junior Mack Williams.

Through a new UNCF scholarship program launched in partnership with Kevin Hart Help From The Hart Charity and KIPP Public Schools, the \$600,000 scholarship will provide funding to support KIPP students from eight different cities, attending 11 historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs).

Dr. Reynold Verret, President

of our youth have the potential to achieve great things. It is only through creating pathways to opportunities in the K-12 pipeline and insuring funds to pursue secondary education

wanted to do my part in providing opportunities for our future leaders, especially from my Philly hometown, and show support for HBCUs. This is just the beginning; trust me when I tell you there are a

UNCF is the largest provider of college scholarships for students of color in the U.S., awarding more than \$100 million in college scholarships annually to deserving students. [The 18 Help From The Hart Charity Scholarship recipients](#) have been selected based



on their academic and personal accomplishments and may receive substantive renewable awards based on need.

