

Fellowship Class of 2024

Joe Brand Human Rights Fellow and Sustained Impact and Public Policy Fellows

Dear Friends of the Foundation,

With pride and excitement, we introduce the first members of the Fellowship Class of 2024.



Christine Connolly
Joe Brand Human Rights Fellow
Human Rights First
George Washington University Law Scho

Christine Connolly of the George Washington University Law School (2L) is this year's Joseph L. Brand International Human Rights Fellow, working with our partner organization Human Rights First. Christine's deep experience in human rights and immigration matters includes work at Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights, the Immigrant Justice Corps, the Capital Area Immigrant Rights Coalition, and the Massachusetts Immigrant and Advocacy Coalition. A graduate of Connecticut College with a B.A. in History and a minor in Arabic Studies, Christine is pursuing her law degree "with the singular aim to become a human rights attorney."



Emily Kotulak
Public Policy Fellow
Children's Law Center in Cincinnati, Ohio
University of Cincinnati College of Law

Emily Kotulak, a second year law student at the University of Cincinnati College of Law, will serve her Fellowship at the Children's Law Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, working on matters including education, juvenile justice, custody, child victim legal assistance, civil rights actions and youth re-entry civil legal services. After graduating from the University of Florida in 2017 with a B.S. in Psychology and a B.A. in Criminology and Pre-Law, Emily taught in Philadelphia as a part of AmeriCorps and served as a domestic violence relocation advocate in Florida. Last summer, Emily worked as a legal intern at the Family Law Center of the Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court.



Alexander Trimis
Sustained Impact Veterans' Justice Fellow
Swords to Plowshares, San Francisco, CA
Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

Our Sustained Impact Veterans' Justice Fellow this summer is **Alexander Trimis**, a 1L at the Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. A veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Alexander will be working with our partner organization Swords to Plowshares, which provides legal and other assistance to homeless and disadvantaged veterans in the San Francisco Bay Area. After his military service, Alexander earned a Bachelor of Journalism in Broadcast Radio and Television from the University of Missouri – Columbia and worked at radio and television stations in Columbia.



Ayeh Abdel Rahman
Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow
Lone Star Justice Alliance, Dallas
Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

Ayeh Abdel Rahman will be a Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow working at our partner organization Lone Star Justice Alliance in Dallas. Ayeh earned her B.S. in Global Business and International Political Economy from the University of Texas and is now a 1L at the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law. Ayeh previously served as an intern for the Innocent Project in Richardson, Texas. Her interest in law initially was sparked when her uncle was detained without charges in Egypt during the Arab Spring, and her family persistently petitioned the Canadian government to advocate for his release.



Estefanía Hernández

Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law The University of Miami School of Law

A 2L at the University of Miami School of Law, **Estefanía Hernández** will serve as our Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, where she will work on its Voting Rights Project. Estefanía served as Student Body President at her alma mater, Wheaton College, earning a B.A. in Theology and Peace and Conflict Studies. A leader on the Law School's Public Interest Leadership Board, Estefanía aspires to be a civil rights lawyer and a congresswoman. She is currently an intern in the Human Rights Clinic at the Law School and works with the Clinic's partner organization, Earth Rights, International.



Antonia Adams

Sustained Impact Racial Justice Fellow Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law George Washington University Law School

Antonia Adams is a member of the Class of 2026 at The George Washington University Law School. She graduated from the University of South Carolina and Piedmont Technical College *magna cum laude* and with other distinctions. Antonia's leadership credentials include serving as student body president at Piedmont, as a peer leader at the University of South Carolina, and being a National Fellow at the Southern Education Foundation. She brings these credentials and extensive experience in education to her Sustained Impact Fellowship with the Education Project of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights.