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Girls State Alumnae Foundation

The Girls State Alumnae Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation incorporated in the State of California for the purpose of promoting and supporting the American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State Program and California Girls State Alumnae.

This year GSAF is offering a program to encourage Units that have not sponsored a high school in the last year to do so this year. GSAF will act as a co-sponsor, providing \$200 toward the fees to Girls State 2012. All the details are included in the attached application and, also, can be found on the California Girls State website at cagirlsstate.org.

Reservations for 2012 Session

If your Unit plans to sponsor a high school(s) for the 69th session of California Girls State, make sure to send a reservation to Chairman Lou. Share a copy of the reservation with your District Girls State Chairman. Find the form at cagirlsstate.org.

Budget Girls State Fees

- **The Registration Fee—\$50**
 - This fee is applied to the application processing expenses
 - It should be paid by the family of the delegate
- **The Delegate Application Fee—\$350**
 - This fee covers the expenses of the Girls State experience at the college campus
 - It is paid by the Unit and/or co-sponsor

Working with Last Year's Delegate

The young woman you sent to Girls State last year can be your best ally when preparing for the interview process. She should be asked to stay in contact with you and the high school staff. Her sharing of her GS experience with the Junior class will pique interest . . . and you may find her invaluable when interviewing candidates.



The Girls State Alumnae Foundation (GSAF) is pleased to announce a new program to support the American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State. We are offering up to twenty matching grants in the amount of \$200 per grant to enable Units to sponsor Girls State delegates.

The goal of this program is to increase the number of delegates at California Girls State. First priority will be given to Units that have not sent a delegate in the preceding year. Second priority will be given to Units sponsoring a high school that has not sent a delegate in the preceding year. GSAF will approve applications on a rolling basis.

Once a sponsored Unit has chosen the delegate/alternates and submitted those names and contact information to GSAF, GSAF will send the matched funds to Lou Thompson, Girls State Chairman, on behalf of the sponsored Unit.

Applications should be emailed to areyoufromgirlsstate@gmail.com or mailed to Guang Ming Whitley, GSAF President, 16241 Baugh Circle, Anchorage, AK 99516.

Girls State Alumnae Foundation Matching Grant Application

Unit Name: _____

Girls State Chairman: _____

Phone number: _____

Email Address: _____

Did your Unit sponsor a Girls State delegate last year? If YES, how many? _____

Proposed high school name and city: _____

Was this high school sponsored last year? _____