

## AS Legislative Action Fund Funding Request

The purpose of the Legislative Action Fund is to more directly represent WWU students in legislative manners through the decisions of the ASWWU. The management of the Legislative Action Fund is facilitated through the Legislative Affairs Council (LAC), chaired by the VP for Governmental Affairs. This budget is funded through student donations. The fund is predominately used for Washington Student Association annual membership dues. All excess dollars can be expended at the discretion of the LAC to further student representation. If you are interested in the history of the Legislative Action Fund, please visit [here](#).

If you are interested in requesting funds from the Legislative Action Fund, please submit this form to the AS VP for Governmental Affairs at [ASVP.Gov@wwu.edu](mailto:ASVP.Gov@wwu.edu). After this form is submitted, you will need to meet with the VP for Governmental Affairs for additional details and direction. The VP for Governmental Affairs will then take the proposal to the next Legislative Affairs Council for the two-week approval process. You, or someone from your group, must be in attendance at both meetings. If your funding request is approved, the Legislative Affairs Council will provide you with an agreement that you will need to sign.

**Presenting organization:**

United States Student Association (USSA)

**Student Name:**

Mayra Guizar

**Phone Number:**

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**Name of the Event/Project/Conference:**

USSA Board of Directors Meetings

**Event Datets):**

November 20-23 (NJ)

January 28-31 (AZ)

**Location:**

Rowan University, New Jersey

Northern Arizona University, Arizona

**Estimated Number of Attendees:**

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**Reason for Funding** (please provide a thorough description of the event, what the funds are requested for, how the event will increase student representation, and the expected benefits to the Western community and you or your group):

This will be the first year that Western Washington University will be direct members of the United States Student Association (USSA). The United States Student Association is the country's oldest, largest, and most inclusive student-led organization and during my second USSA National Student Congress this summer, I was nominated and elected to represent as the chair for the Pacific Northwest region. One of the many responsibilities I now hold is to attend board meetings, which are held once every two months.

Sitting as a voting member on USSA's board of directors will definitely benefit Western, especially on the federal level. I know that as a member of the board of directors, I'm

representing the interests of the students of Western Washington University. This year we will be working on Action Agendas that were voted by delegates at the National Student Congress which was held this summer. This involves planning, organizing, and executing campaigns on our individual campuses and working together as a collective board to guide these efforts on a National, State, and the Local level.

-I've attached the language for our action agendas and will keep the Legislative Affairs Council updated on my travels/work.

-If people have any further questions about USSA and other campaigns/work we've done/are working on, feel free to reach me at [mguizar10@gmail.com](mailto:mguizar10@gmail.com) or (509) 305-5473.

**Fill out and attach the budget document, which can be downloaded [here](#).**

**Total Anticipated Expenses:**

Seatac Travel: (current mileage rate: 0.56/mile)  
208 miles roundtrip x 2 = 416 miles total for travel in November and January meeting  
416 miles x 0.56 = \$232.96

Meals: (at Bellingham per diem rate - doesn't include travel meals)  
Breakfast: \$11 Lunch: \$14 Dinner: \$21  
1 day: \$46 x 3 days = \$138  
\$138 x 2 = \$276 total for Nov and Jan meeting meals

Lodging: (Plan to stay at Board member's place in both AZ and NJ)

Airfare (prices as of 10/5/14):  
Roundtrip SEA to PHL -\$412.20  
Roundtrip SEA to PHX -\$400

**Out of pocket: ~\$509**

**You or Your Group's Contribution:**

-Gas/travel to and from SeaTac  
-All meals  
-Lodging

**Any Co-Sponsorships From Other Groups?**

No

**Amount Requested from the Legislative Action Fund:**

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