

AS Legislative Action Fund Funding Request

Presenting organization: United State Student Association

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Name of the Event/Project/Conference: US SA Board of Directors Meeting

Event Date(s): January 28-31

Location: University of California - Santa Barbra

Estimated Number of Attendees: 1

Reason for Funding: The United States Student Association is the country's oldest, largest, and most inclusive student-led organization and during my second US SA National Student Congress this summer, I was nominated and elected to represent as the People of African Descent Caucus. 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. Due to the fact we currently do not have a representative for the Pacific Northwest and I am currently the only board member that attends Western, it is important that our campus can stay engaged and aware of what other students are working on around the country. 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.

This meeting will be dedicated to planning the Conference in March, continuing with campaign planning and other organizational foundations.

Amount Requested from the Legislative Action Fund:

Travel: Bellingham to SeaTac Airport ~ \$20
From SB A to UCSB and back \$20x 2 ~ \$40
Airfare: round trip SEA to SBA as of 1/7 ~ \$400
Food: Breakfast x 1 ~ \$10
Dinner: \$31 per diem x 3 ~ \$90
Transportation in CA ~ \$30
Lodging: \$100 per night -300

Total ~ \$950 NTE