

## 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:** The Legislative Affairs Council

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**Name of the Event/Project/Conference:** LAC Legislative Outreach

**Event Dates:** Three Mondays until the end of the quarter. -Five days during Spring quarter.

**Location:** Western Washington University

**Estimated Number of Attendees:** Outreach, -40 students per day.

**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):

Hearing directly from constituents is a vital part of the democratic process. College students have historically voted in low numbers and encouraging direct communication with elected officials through phone calls is an effective way to increase political engagement and have student voices heard. LAC wants to begin doing more outreach and one way will be through tabling in Red Square to encourage students to call their representatives. LAC would like funds to purchase donuts and/or candy, cover the costs of making a large sign and laminating important documents. The benefit of having food to offer is increased traffic, and therefore more calls to legislators and greater political impact. The benefit of a large sign is that students will be informed about and drawn to our table. By laminating legislative maps/rep lists, we can preserve and reuse these important documents.

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

**Total Anticipated Expenses: \$275.00 total**

\$200.00 to pay for food through Spring 2018

\$50.00 for a banner

\$25.00 to laminate documents (\$3.52 per 8x11 page)

**You or Your Group's Contribution: None**

**Any Co-Sponsorships From Other Groups?: None**

**Amount Requested from the Legislative Action Fund: \$275.00**