

# WESTERN GOVERNORS' LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

## ABOUT

The Western Governors' Foundation (WGF), the philanthropic arm of the Western Governors' Association (WGA), is pleased to announce the launch of the 2024 Western Governors' Leadership Institute. This program is designed to recognize, reward, and promote the effective exercise of leadership by young adults across the West.

Every year the foundation selects young adults to represent their states, territories, and tribes as institute delegates. Delegates attend the Annual Meeting of the Western Governors' Association, as well as a one-day leadership development forum. The foundation covers all expenses associated with delegate participation.

## ELIGIBILITY

Applicants for the Leadership Forum must be between the ages of 21 and 26 years old on June 9, 2023. They must also be permanent residents of western states or territories whose Governor is an active member of WGA:

Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming

## TO APPLY

To apply, visit  
<https://westgov.org/foundation/wgli/2024-western-governors-leadership-institute>  
or email [athielen@westgov.org](mailto:athielen@westgov.org).

## CONTACT

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## PARTNER AND DONATE

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## 2024 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

November 13 - Application window opens

February 16 - Application window closes

March 22 - Delegation announced

June 9 - Leadership forum in **Tahoe, California**

June 10-12 - WGA Annual Meeting



*"The Western Governors' Leadership Institute has been one of the most fulfilling experiences of my life. I recall a conversation I had with Governor Mark Gordon about political polarization in the United States and how younger generations may feel a bit detached; but Governor Gordon assured me that there are collaborative efforts to bridge that divide. That reassurance was enough to provide me with a sense of hope." - Isaac Hernandez Alcaraz, 2023 Nevada State Delegate*