



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA
GIRLS STATE PROGRAM
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Hello Girls State Chairman ,

Thank you for serving as an ALA CA Girls State Chairperson! This is always a true team effort, so do not hesitate to give input or ask questions. We need each one of you to make our 2025 session a success!

Unit Girls State Chairperson To Do List:

- If you have not done so already, update your information on the [District and Unit GS Chair list](#).
 - If you have other volunteers assisting with Girls State and would like to receive email updates, please add their contact information on the second tab, “Other Interested Volunteers”.Refer to the [2024-25 Suggested Calendar for Unit GS Chairs](#) and bulletins each month.

Identify a contact at each school sponsored (counselor, teacher for government, debate, leadership) to assist with identifying interested students and passing along information.

- Consider sharing the [Youth Programs Brochure](#) and/or [What is ALA Girls State](#).
- Provide the proposed session dates and location: June 14 – June 19, 2025 at Sacramento State. Contact me if you have not received reports from any 2024 delegates sponsored by the Unit. Request certificates from State Senators and Assemblymembers for 2024 ALA CAGS participants.
- Verify on the [Reservation list](#), Column E that the delegate attended the entire session.
- Find the names and contact information for the representative by entering the home address of the Girls State citizen at the findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov.
- Contact the representatives’ offices to explain the ALA CA Girls State program and request a letter of recognition. Invite the representatives to attend your recognition event and personally present the certificate. Provide the official with the name of the citizen, the name of the program, the location of the program, and the completion date (July 1, 2024).

- Sample text for certificate:

Name

To acknowledge your outstanding achievement and representation of your community as a
Citizen of the 80th Session of American Legion Auxiliary California Girls State
at California State University, Sacramento.

I commend your commitment to service, leadership development, and
learning the importance of meaningful participation in all levels of government.

July 1, 2024

Determine how the Unit will pay for the 2025 Unit Enrollment Fee (estimated to be \$425).

- See [Fundraising folder](#) for ideas.

Begin thinking about how to identify interested students. See [Candidate Recruitment folder](#).

Remember to track ALA CAGS volunteer hours from Unit members from May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025. This number will be asked on the end of the year report.

Next Zoom: Monday, August 26 at 6pm for 1st-year Chairs and 7pm for all Chairs

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484116950?pwd=vM1CJoMrVCAaLr69SQKy5YyqKGXbxE.1>

Meeting ID: 854 8411 6950

Passcode: ALAcags82

At the 6pm meeting we will give a brief overview of the program and review the suggested calendar

for Unit GS Chairs. All are welcome to attend, even if you are not a 1st year Chair.

- At the 7pm meeting we will review new resources created by our Candidate Recruitment and Fundraising Leadership Teams and answer questions.
- Both meetings will be recorded for those unable to attend.

NEW address for all Girls State Donations and Fees

- Any donations earmarked for Girls State should be mailed directly to the Department Treasurer:
Kathy Tellyer
American Legion Auxiliary
10400 Twin Cities Rd
Suite 20 #107
Galt, CA 95632
- You may use this [Donation Transmittal form](#).

Resources for Unit and District Girls State Chairpersons:

- [Shared Google Drive folder](#)

Future ALA CAGS Session Dates Proposed to CSU Sacramento:

- Saturday, June 14-Thursaday, June 19, 2025
- Monday, June 22-Saturday, June 27, 2026

National ALA Girls State Leadership Conference: 2025 ALA CAGS Director Allyn Kau and Chairman Caroline Miller will be attending in Indianapolis September 2024.

2024 ALA CAGS Session

- All 418 delegates arrived to the session.
- 411 delegates finished the session. 7 delegates left the session - 4 delegates left early due to physical illness, 2 for Mental illness, 1 for a family emergency.
- Compared to 2023 session – 454 delegates registered, 4 left early due to anxiety, 3 due to illness, 3 for behavior issues, 1 for family emergency, 11 left during the session, 443 delegates finished.

Thank you for all your work!

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