

Dear Official,

The American Legion Auxiliary is one of America's largest non-profit, patriotic organizations for veterans, their families, military troops, and local communities. Girls State is one of our prestigious National programs.

This year, the program will take place from June 28 to July 3, 2025, at the University of New Haven. During the event, students will explore the political process by electing officials across all levels of state government and actively participating in a mock government. Participants are assigned to simulated cities and divided into the "Federalist Party" or the "Nationalist Party." The program is fully managed by experienced ALA Counselors, who ensure its nonpartisan, patriotic, and civic objectives are achieved through interactive learning. With the support of local high schools, rising juniors are selected and encouraged to apply for the Boys State/Girls State programs. Candidates with a strong interest in government, current events, and leadership are competitively chosen and sponsored by ALA Units or AL Posts. To learn more, please visit https://www.alalgs.org

The ALA in Connecticut launched the first Laurel Girls State in 1944, inspired by the "can-do" spirit of women in the workforce during WWII. With a focus on civic responsibility, many alums go on to pursue careers in politics, like yourself. Former participants include Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz and Senator Mae Flexer. The program relies on the generosity of donors and volunteers who make it all possible. The cost for each student to attend Connecticut Laurel Girls State is \$450, which covers room, board, and various activities. We are seeking your support to help sponsor deserving young women for this prestigious program.

Attached is a sponsorship form. If you have any questions, please contact us at ctgirlsstate@gmail.com.

For God & Country, Jessica Abel, Laurel Girls State Chairman/Director



Name/Organization Name:			
Address:			
<u>City:</u>	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone Number:			
Email:			

The estimated cost per student begins at \$450.

Check Enclosed for: \$	
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Please mail this completed form and check to the following address: Checks made out to ALA Laurel Girls State

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