Budget Justification for the Fiscal Year 2020
Budget Request Summary

The Center’s Budget request of $5.8 million for fiscal year 2020 is an increase of $200,000 (3.6 percent) over fiscal year 2019 enacted funding.

Major categories of requested funding are:

Salaries and Benefits $863,014 (split: part prog/part admin costs)
Contracts/Interagency Agreements $2,952,300 (100% program)
Grants/Other Direct Program Costs $2,688,415 (100% program)
Administrative/Office Costs $95,900 (100% administrative)

$6,599,629

Open World spends its appropriation in two categories: Direct Program Costs and Administration Costs. Direct Program Costs include a logistical coordinator contract; grants to host organizations across the United States; Memoranda of Agreements with most U. S. embassies in Open World countries; and about 60% of the salary and benefits of the Center’s staff. In these categories, the Center’s fiscal year 2020 budget request breaks down as follows:

A. Direct Program — $6,176,273
1. Contracts/Embassy and other Agreements 2,952,300
2. Grants/Other Hosting Costs 2,688,415
3. Salary/Benefits (Program) 535,558

The logistical services contract with a Washington-based NGO is the single largest expenditure at Open World. Grants/Other Hosting Costs refer to national and local hosting organizations (such as Rotary Club, Friendship Force International, and community colleges) that plan and execute an 8-day local program for each delegation.

B. Administration — $423,356
1. Salary/Benefits (Admin) 327,456
2. All Other Operating Expenses 95,900

This category includes an interagency agreement with the Library of Congress for infrastructure services; small contracts for professional services; postage, telephone, cell phones; and office supplies and materials. The Center benefits from lower administrative costs due to its physical location in the Library of Congress. Finally, agreements with other agencies for infrastructure services or for printing, webhosting, or graphic design are also included here.

TOTAL PROJECTED OPERATING BUDGET: $6,599,629

Overhead Rate: 6.4%

1 The amount over $5.8 million shown here will be covered by unanticipated interagency transfers and other offsets.
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Tab 3  Open World Delegations by Date – CY2019
TAB 1:

FY2020 Budget Justification
The Open World Leadership Center is respectfully requesting a fiscal year 2020 appropriation of $5.8 million to support its staff and operating expenses. This is an increase of $200,000, or 3.6 percent, over fiscal 2019 enacted appropriation. Since fiscal 2009, the year of its highest appropriation at $13.9 million, the Open World Leadership Center has had a 60% reduction in appropriations down to its current level of $5.6 million. This is also the level of appropriations the Center has received for the fourth year in a row.

The modest increase requested herein is necessary for the Center to keep up with cost increases in salaries and benefits as well as in other operating costs including, but not limited to, air travel, accommodations, and other logistical expenses. Funding at this level will support our work in Ukraine to counterbalance Russian disinformation and our work in Russia to keep the lines of communication open with the post-Putin generation.

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1 At the time of compiling the fiscal 2018 Operating Plan, the Center did not know the status of these USAID transfers. All of the transfers were completed in the final weeks of the fiscal year and were obligated accordingly.
2 The US Embassy in Belgrade transferred funds directly to Open World for specific programs in 2018-19.
3 This includes all MOUs with US Embassies in Open World countries; the Library of Congress-OW Interagency Agreement; the House of Representatives for webhosting; and GPO printing services.
4 Most of the requested increase is needed to cover part of an expected shortfall in the overall cost of operations. The logistical contract is the largest, under which participant costs are paid, including but not limited to airfare, hotel, visa processing, translation services, and contingency services. See Part II Budget Request for a complete explanation.
5 In order to save money, the Center purchases services for food and accommodation directly from the vendors. Under the logistical contract, these costs were previously subject to a 17% indirect charge.
6 The fiscal 2020 operating plan is adjusted for current year impacts.
**Program Overview**

In 1999, Congress authorized the Open World program (then called the Russian Leadership Program) as a pilot project as a result of discussions between then Librarian of Congress, Dr. James H. Billington, and a bicameral and bipartisan group of Members of Congress. The project focused on the question of how to increase mutual understanding between Russia and the United States and to support Russia’s democratization efforts. In December 2000, the success of the Russian Leadership pilot program and the continued importance of its mission led Congress, through the leadership of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, to establish a permanent, independent entity in the legislative branch to administer the program: the Open World Leadership Center (the Center or Open World).

The Center conducts the Open World program, one of the most effective U.S. exchange programs for countries\(^1\) in transition. The program has enabled more than 28,000 young global

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\(^1\) Current Open World countries are: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Russia, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.
leaders to engage in and interact with Members of Congress, Congressional staff, and thousands of other Americans, many of whom are the delegates’ direct professional counterparts. Open World focuses on assisting Congress in its oversight responsibilities and on conducting exchanges that establish and foster lasting professional relationships between the rising leaders of Open World countries and Americans dedicated to showcasing U.S. values and democratic institutions. The Center’s non-partisan nature and independence from the priorities of the executive branch is an important asset for the program.

One profound insight the delegates derive from their experience in the United States is that elected officials are accountable to their constituencies. Another powerful element of the program is the impact of home stays – during their ten-day visit, Open World delegates live with American families in communities throughout the United States. Partnerships and deeper understanding forged between American hosts and the delegates multiply the connections within and among their communities with profound results.

The highly-regarded Open World program has also played an increasingly vital role in the political landscapes of many countries throughout Eurasia. The Center has brought rising leaders who have become influential in the national arena and within their communities. The Center has also built substantial expertise in conducting exchange programs tailored to support the Legislative Branch. As it winds up its second decade, the Open World Leadership Center continues to strive for excellence in providing a rich experience for foreign legislators and the best and brightest young professionals in Open World countries.

A Ukrainian delegation of local legislators and staff visit the Wyoming State Capitol during their accountable governance program hosted in Cheyenne. The delegates were able to observe the legislature at work and to meet with Governor Matt Mead. (February 2018)
Program Objectives
The Open World Leadership Center is committed to a strategy designed to strengthen our work in support of Congress and to cement our legislative identity. To that end, the Center adopted four goals that are both measurable and attainable.

Goals

- **Ensure that the Center is a resource, an asset, and an investment for Congress:**
  Under this goal, the Center specifically addresses Congressional interests and requests. In addition, delegations of legislators at the national and local levels comprise a substantial portion of the total number of participants. Finally, Members of Congress and their staff receive first-hand actionable information of interest during face to face meetings with rising leaders from these countries.

- **Enhance the reach of the Center to strategically important countries:**
  Via enabling legislation and with the approval of the Board of Trustees, the Center is able to respond quickly to Congressional requests to engage emerging leaders of strategically important countries.

- **Operate as a model, cost-effective, responsive agency:**
  The Center is keenly aware of the importance of being an effective and efficient fiscal steward. In that capacity, interagency agreements, low overhead and responsible grant-making are hallmarks of the Center’s high impact, low cost operations.

- **Intensify the Center’s outreach to U.S. missions abroad, to grantees, and to other stakeholders:**
  The Center has begun the implementation of a communications strategy as well as increased efforts to secure private funding for alumni programming.

Measures of Success
Open World continues to focus its programming on a geographically and professionally broad cross-section of emerging leaders who might not otherwise have the opportunity to visit the United States:

- Delegates have come from every political region of Russia and Ukraine.
- More than 10,800 federal, regional, and local government officials have participated, including 391 members of parliament and 2,013 judges.
- In 2018 the average age of Open World delegates was 32.
- 92 percent of delegates are first-time visitors to the United States.
- 51 percent of delegates are women.
- Since 2012, approximately 40% of all Open World delegates are age 30 and under.
• The average cost per participant of the Open World program is $8,800-9,200, depending on the country, compared to approximately $19,000 per person for a similar executive branch program.

Interest in the Open World Program remains robust within American hosting communities. The demand for hosting Open World delegations is more than triple the supply of available slots due to funding limitations. Delegates are hosted by a large and dedicated group of American citizens who live in state capitals, other large cities, small towns, and rural communities throughout the United States.

Armenian Parliamentary Staffers meet with California State Senator Anthony Portantino to discuss passing laws within the California Legislature. After observing Senate floor proceedings, the group was recognized for their visit to the State Capitol. (May 2018)

**The Open World Parliamentary Program in 2018**

In developing its latest strategic plan, the Center’s Board of Trustees emphasized the importance of parliamentary programs that link Members of Congress to their counterparts from Open World countries. A goal was then set that 15% of delegates would be Members of Parliament, parliamentary staff or regional legislators or their staff. We met that goal in 2018.

The interaction between our Parliamentarians and Members of Congress created numerous opportunities for unfiltered dialogue between the U.S. Congress and Parliaments from Open World countries. It also provided timely discussion of the political and economic conditions affecting these countries. Overall, eleven parliamentary delegations consisting of 63 participants from nine countries (Georgia, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Serbia, Peru, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, and Kyrgyzstan) traveled to the United States for home stays from Helena, Montana to Albany, New York and eight states in between.
Open World’s Parliamentary program is profoundly effective because it provides a senior level delegation, usually made up of rising stars, most of whom come without U.S. ties, the opportunity to present their country and its issues to some fifteen members of Congress and their staff in a three day period, as well as check in with appropriate Congressional offices, their Embassies, and representatives of think tanks working in the area. They then witness the legislative process on the state/local level. The relationships established during this program leads to great buy-in from Open World parliamentary alumni, who are then eager to nominate other strong candidates and to help develop programmatic themes based on the necessities of their country. This one on one contact and unrivaled access, the sharing of meals, and the fact that Open World individualizes programming has made these exchanges particularly beneficial for both the visiting Parliamentarians and the Members of Congress with whom they meet and whom Open World serves. Open World will surely continue this important programming in 2019 and 2020.
Calendar Year 2018 Highlights & 2019 Plans

Overview
In 2018, the Open World Leadership Center hosted a total of 964 delegates from 18 countries in more than 118 American host communities in 48 states. In a climate of uncertainty in the international arena, Open World continues to serve as a resource of unvarnished information for Members of Congress and their constituencies throughout the United States. Our three signature 10-day exchanges – Members of Parliament, Judicial Rule of Law, and Civic Programs – have resulted in the creation of a vital network of more than 28,000 emerging leaders that have had first-hand, peer-to-peer exposure to the United States. With support from the Department of State/USAID, the Center hopes to bring nearly 1,000 emerging leaders to communities throughout the United States in 2019. Country highlights from 2018 follow the chart below.

Participation by Country

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1 Other programs include the Rumsfeld Foundation Fellows from most Open World countries; House Democracy Partnership delegations; and other special delegations formed as a result of significant costsharing.

2 This number is the most that can be hosted with appropriated funds only (including recovered funds, revenue, and other offsets). The number will grow if USAID funds are transferred later this year.

* Countries in italics are inactive.
Russia

From 1999 to 2018, Open World hosted 19,793 young Russian leaders. In calendar year 2018, the Center hosted 320 Russian participants in 53 exchanges. Delegates came from 53 of Russia’s 83 regions, included a wide range of ethnic groups, and were hosted in 30 host communities in 24 U.S. states. Women made up 61% of the delegates.

Despite obstacles such as the current low point in U.S.-Russia relations and the drawdown of U.S. Mission staff in Russia, Open World has managed to maintain robust programming in Russia that covers a broad spectrum of themes and reaches into all regions of Russia. Open World alumni still show a willingness to meet their American counterparts in Russia, despite the risk that this may have for them. American diplomats often reach out to the Center for contacts in cities that they are visiting because they know that Open World alumni are willing to meet and to be objective and forward thinking.

Open World is one of the few remaining U.S. exchange programs in Russia, and the only one operating with such engaged alumni and partners throughout the country. The Center’s objectives are to have participants return to Russia with a more positive view of America, to add to their professional skills and contacts through direct interaction with their peers, and to counter
the Russian information war by providing an objective view of the American people and our traditions and beliefs. Open World’s work is critical to the U.S. Mission in Russia because we are apolitical and highly professional; we look for common ground, best practices and successful partnerships to build or foster; and the Mission is provided with a network of Russians throughout that enormous country who are receptive to the American experience.

Recently a Russian journalist, who works for a mainstream government-funded news organization, commented that, after visiting the U.S. Agency for Global Media (formerly the Broadcasting Board of Governors) and discussing programs such as Voice of America, his previous opinion had completely changed. This journalist viewed VOA as purely American government propaganda, but walked away with a much clearer understanding of the mission, its independence, and the journalism standards that VOA upholds.

Open World has worked as a driving force to cement many strong Russian-American partnerships through sister Rotary Clubs, formal sister city arrangements, less-formal sister city and sister state arrangements, and those based on shared goals (like those between burn treatment specialists, zoo professionals, nursing programs, and protection of forests). On an annual basis, Open World works to strengthen at least ten such Russian-American partnerships. Working closely with the International Department of the Perm City Administration and the City Duma (several being Open World alumni, including the former Mayor) we have brought strong groups in the past years to grow the sister city relationship with Louisville, Kentucky, focusing on journalism and governance in the past couple of years. It is such support among government leaders in Volgograd, several being Open World alumni, that we can report that the Volgograd-Cleveland partnership is also robust and expanding, when it was about to lapse just a couple of years ago.

At this time, it is imperative that we maintain contact with Russian society and continue to fight disinformation and false narratives about American interests. In 2019 we will welcome our 20,000th Russian participant on the program, which gives us an enormous alumni network across all 83 regions of the Russian Federation. When the Ambassador or other mission officers travel to the regions, it is often Open World alumni in key local government and private sector positions that meet and discuss current issues and developments both locally and regionally.

Ukraine

From 2003 to 2018, Open World hosted 3,716 Ukrainian emerging leaders. Open World’s objective in Ukraine is to further democratic and free-market processes by providing a new generation of Ukrainian leaders with the vision, skills, and tools needed to develop their country at this critical juncture in its history and while it faces Russian aggression in its South and East. The program is aimed at furthering anti-corruption efforts, assisting in the decentralization process, promoting the rule of law, improving transparency in the public and private sectors, and providing a secure safety net to a suffering population.
Over the past two years, Open World has hosted 20 leading Members of Ukraine’s Verkhovna Rada for practical programs in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere. For example, a group of Members of Parliament who participated in July 2018 program in the Kansas City Metro Area and Washington, D.C. wrote a letter exclaiming that the program, “provided us with this outstanding opportunity to gain new professional and intercultural experience and establish connections with the members of the U.S. Congress.” The delegation also stressed the importance of the Open World program in matters of building bridges and establishing peer-to-peer partnerships in different areas and strengthening the unity between the United States and Ukraine.

Local Legislators from Ukraine enjoyed spending time with their host families in Little Rock, Arkansas. The group shared a piece of Ukraine with their American families by cooking them a traditional Ukrainian meal. (February 2018)

Open World’s November 2018 Parliamentary delegation exemplified how useful these visits can be. Coming on the heels of the Azov Sea seizure by the Russian Navy of Ukrainian Navy vessels and the vote then taken on limited Martial Law, an Open World group of MPs found heightened interest among the Senators and House Members with whom they met. One participant noted that he “was impressed with the commitment and interest American politicians demonstrated to Ukraine. I personally consider the Open World program as one of the best programs I ever participated in.”

Due to Ukraine’s strategic significance, Open World regularly consults with House and Senate Ukraine Caucus members and works closely with the leadership of the U.S. Embassy in Kyiv to design programming that is responsive to the needs of that war-ravaged country. In 2019 Open World will focus on programming on Decentralization/Regional Government, Legislative
Processes, Health System and Education Reforms, Rule of Law, Media/Investigative Journalism, Minority/IDP Issues, Anti-Corruption, Energy, and Social Safety Net Issues. All themes are aimed at strengthening democratic institutions and promoting good governance. Areas that Open World has had successful programming and that serve as strong topics for upcoming programs are: development strategies for the “forgotten” east (near the zones of conflict); IDP resettlement; significant reforms in health and education (in part, due to our strength in these ministries); media strategies to counter false information; support of partnerships; and decentralization issues. Open World also has a critical mass of leading Members of Parliament that will be able to discuss the ramifications of the 2019 Presidential/Verkhovna Rada (Parliamentary) and local elections’ cycle.

Remaining Open World Countries

Armenia
From 2011 through 2018, the Center hosted 133 delegates from Armenia on themes such as women in politics, elections, civic and judicial rule of law, and urban development. Many young Armenian leaders have been introduced to their American counterparts and observed firsthand the power of civic engagement and accountable governance.

With the Center’s very short programming timeline, we are able to adapt themes to the current situations in Yerevan. Following Armenia’s “velvet revolution,” the Open World program added delegations to reflect the new situation in Armenia. For example, in the fall of 2018 we brought young activists engaged in the revolution through organizing youth movements and protests in villages outside of Yerevan. Two of the delegates were a key mobilizing force behind the student movement during the revolution, as founders of the Restart Student Initiative at Yerevan State University. From our successes in Ukraine bringing leaders of the Maidan movement, we have found these young leaders often move into the parliament, become deputy ministers, or are deeply engaged in reform through NGO’s.

We plan to expand our parliamentary program for Armenia based on the results of the 2018 Parliamentary Staff delegation. A recent Open World delegate, who serves as adviser on US-Armenia parliamentary cooperation to the Speaker of the Armenian Parliament, will develop the delegation.

Azerbaijan
From 2007 through 2018, the Center hosted 310 delegates from Azerbaijan. These delegates benefitted immensely from participating in the Open World program. Open World is working to enhance women’s role in society since women face numerous social barriers in Azerbaijan. We are also recognize those who are underserved and underrepresented, including the disabled, refugees, and Internally Displaced Persons.
In May 2018, we brought a delegation focusing on Disability Advocacy and Reform, which included three disabled delegates. This delegation inspired everyone they met during their time in the United States. While in Reno, Nevada the delegation met with multiple disabled business owners that employ other disabled community members. After participating on the program, one disabled Open World delegate was motivated to create his own business – a company that sells jewelry made by disabled artists.

During their time in Reno, they also visited the district office of Rep. Mark Amodei to see firsthand how U.S. Members of Congress serve their constituents. It was an opportunity for the group to discuss the similarities and differences between the parliamentary system in the U.S. and Azerbaijan.

Belarus
In 2004 and from 2017-2018, the Center hosted 36 delegates from Belarus. After jumpstarting the Open World program in Belarus in 2017, alumni have been active and have already created partnerships. One delegate, the Head of Medical Expertise and Rehabilitation Department at the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Belarus, was eager to share and apply the knowledge gained to develop improvements to the Belarus national rehabilitation system. This system
would be based upon the American approach of individualized services and volunteer engagement that she experienced in Salt Lake City.

A recent delegation of Belarussian intellectual property rights professionals met with the U.S. Department of Justice’s Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Division to discuss important issues of international enforcement and key areas of cooperation to preserve evidence and prevent intellectual property crimes.

Delegates from Belarus traveled to Greensboro, NC to focus on Marketing. During a day trip to Winston-Salem, the group met with Mayor Allen Joines to discuss the role of local government and how the City of Winston-Salem markets itself to the community and tourists. (November 2018)

In November one of the delegations on Alternative Energy visited Great Falls, Montana to discuss areas and methods of exploring alternative and renewable energy sources to help strengthen Belarussian energy security and reduce dependence on Russia. The program was very
successful, generated several local press articles, and discussions are underway on ways the two sides can collaborate in the future.

**Estonia**
From 2013 through 2018, the Center hosted 24 delegates from the Estonian judiciary. This year Open World’s program for Estonia will feature a delegation of four judicial professionals that will be hosted by a representative of the U.S. federal judiciary identified in cooperation with the International Judicial Relations Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States. The Judicial Training Department of the Supreme Court of Estonia supports 90% of the cost of the program. To date, Federal district judges in Nevada, Maryland, Ohio, North Carolina, and Mississippi have hosted their Estonian counterparts.

**Georgia**
From 2007 through 2018, the Center hosted 692 delegates from Georgia. Illustrative of Open World’s ability to respond to the needs of a country and to complement priority activity, the Mission/USAID in Tbilisi asked Open World to coordinate a program for engineers at the Enguri Dam to support U.S. policy by strengthening Georgia’s energy security and economic development, and by encouraging economic engagement with Georgia’s occupied territories. In response, Open World worked with hosts in Washington State to develop a program promoting technical expertise of Enguri personnel by exposing them to the best, modern practices of large-scale hydro power plants (HPPs) in the United States (Grand Coulee and Rocky Reach). It also encouraged the development of a tourism facility at Enguri similar to Grand Coulee Dam’s, and set a precedent for cooperation that can lead to additional energy-related engagement in Abkhazia. With the dam a focal point for future cooperation between Georgia and Russia, the program was an eye-opener as to the possibilities ahead.

Open World partnered with USAID and the Department of Justice on two delegations, sending one delegation of judges to Chicago (USAID) and one to the state of Georgia (DOJ). Through these programs, ten Georgian judges received extensive exposure to the U.S. judicial system through first-hand contact and observed and discussed judicial proceedings with officers from the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, a Supreme Court Fellow, U.S. Federal Judges (through Open World’s partnership with the U.S. Judicial Conference’s International Judicial Relation Committee) and judges at all levels.

A delegation of nine members of the Friendship Force of Big Canoe, Georgia, just returned from visiting twelve alumni from Georgia that they hosted in the areas of local governance and entrepreneurship. For example, one alumnus spoke to the delegation about how her program in the U.S. has led to successes for her organization in working with local governments to strengthen democracy and promote active citizenship and volunteerism. During their visit to the Republic of Georgia, these Open World hosts were able to arrange meetings with OW alumni in Parliament, observe election practices, visit a remote agricultural cooperative and learn how ethnic Armenians are working to improve their relations with the Georgian government.
Kazakhstan
From 2008 through 2018, the Center hosted 504 delegates from Kazakhstan. These delegates benefited immensely by their participation in the Open World program, from Members of Parliament and Supreme Court Justices to local entrepreneurs and leaders of NGOs. Several Open World alumni have also taken leadership positions in regional alumni networks.

After a group of young entrepreneurs traveled to Appleton, Wisconsin in March 2018, the local host families consistently commented on the benefit of having international visitors in their homes. Host families and their close friends receive an opportunity to engage with a different culture and learn about a different region of the world. One host, Gary Kirking, has welcomed eight delegations from Kazakhstan through the University of Wisconsin Extension-Juneau County. Gary has coordinated four delegations from Wisconsin to Kazakhstan in the last five years. On a recent visit to Kazakhstan, Gary reconnected with Open World alumni to help local farmers with strategic planning.

Through Open World programming, special relationships have developed between the small towns of Wisconsin and the Kazakh cities of Pavlodar and Kyzlorda. Last spring, twenty-two Wisconsin citizen leaders traveled to Kazakhstan to reconnect with Open World alumni. The Open World model of home stays immersed the Wisconsin visitors into the life of Kazakhstan families and for some participants included a visit to a polling place during the regional elections there.

A Member of Parliament from Kazakhstan meets with Rep. Jeff Fortenberry during their orientation in Washington D.C. The MPs appreciated the opportunity to meet with their direct U.S. counterparts to discuss U.S.-Kazakh relations. (April 2018)
An example of combating misinformation and breaking stereotypes is illustrated by the post program comments of a recent delegate, who said the program changed her attitude towards the U.S. and the American people. She admitted that in the beginning she was skeptical, but in the end she was tremendously impressed with the openness and willingness of the American people to help and serve as volunteers to solve community problems.

**Kosovo**

From 2014 through 2018, the Center hosted 146 delegates from Kosovo. Our Open World program in Kosovo works to enhance transparency and reduce corruption with programs focusing on Preventing and Combating Corruption of Public Funds and The Legislature’s Role in Oversight of Independent Institutions. We plan to reinstate a program for Members of Parliament in 2019 to help these elected officials work to improve accountability.

The Open World program also addresses the development of higher education in Kosovo. After participating on an Open World program in 2017, one alumna who is a Professor at the University of Pristina, organized a Higher Education Conference inspired by her Open World experience. The conference took place in April 2018 and had 150 participants. The goal was to strengthen cooperation between higher education institutions and the Government of Kosovo and the private sector, in order to better prepare students with both technical and soft skills necessary in today’s job market. Mercy College, in Dobbs Ferry, New York, who hosted the Open World participants, sent the director of their Center for Global Engagement to present and participate in the conference.

**Kyrgyzstan**

From 2007 through 2018, the Center hosted 502 delegates from Kyrgyzstan. The program in Kyrgyzstan has made great strides in enhancing transparency and accountability in the legislative process.

In October 2018, Open World brought a mixed delegation of parliamentarians and parliamentary staff focusing on the budget process. The delegates expressed that they will implement multiple practices that they observed in the U.S. during the Open World program. These practices include enhancing the oversight function of the Parliament and reinforcing it with cooperation of an empowered Chamber of Accounts by 2020, and working with the Speaker of the Parliament in early 2019 to broadcast online committee hearings and store them on the Parliament’s website.

The Open World program also promotes women in STEM careers. In cooperation with U.S. Embassy Bishkek, one alumna organized a week-long Girls in Science Camp for 25 female high school and undergraduate students. She commented that “exchange programs are unique in their ability to address the global challenges facing women and girls in STEM. These programs improve their cultural perspective, further their education, and promote leadership skills.”

**Moldova**

From 2007 through 2018, the Center hosted 469 delegates from Moldova. The Open World alumni community in Moldova is actively working to help the country become a fully
democratic, economically prosperous state that is fully integrated into Europe. Even with recent setbacks, such as the nullification of the 2018 mayoral election, the alumni community continues to work together to combat disinformation and keep Moldova on a democratic path.

The Parliamentary program has allowed 21 Moldovan MPs to discuss firsthand actionable information about key developments with their counterparts in the U.S. Congress. The current speaker of the Moldovan Parliament, Andrian Candu, is an Open World alumnus.

Recent Open World media programs have motivated delegates to launch new projects when they return home, such as this one: “Inspired by my Open World visit, I decided to launch the ‘Closer to European Union’ Project, which aims to create a series of shows on my local TV station to promote closer relations between the EU and the Republic of Moldova. The project explains to Moldovan viewers what it means to become an EU member and what impact it will have on the social, economic, and cultural development of our country. I will also tackle the issue of benefits of EU integration and the responsibilities resulting from it. My project will play an important role in the process of signing and implementing the EU-Moldova association agreement and thus, contributing to a more democratic and open minded Moldova.”

Mongolia
From 2011 through 2018, the Center hosted 102 delegates from Mongolia. Our Mongolia program focuses on bringing Members of Parliament and judges to meet their U.S. counterparts. After Members of Parliament traveled to Homer, Alaska, both the Alaska and Mongolian local governments shared an understanding of how citizens and interest groups work within the local government process to affect the governing process. The Homer Chamber of Commerce hosted the delegation to showcase Homer’s recreation and hospitality industries, as well as the region’s agricultural efforts. This opportunity to exchange ideas with local businessmen and entrepreneurs on how local government, businesses and non-profits interact to build a stronger community was a valuable take away for the delegation’s visit. American participants found that the Mongolian delegates and the Homer residents shared a desire to strive for prosperity and new economic development opportunities – areas that appeared as strong candidates for potential partnerships in agricultural and environmental sustainability.

Serbia
From 2012 through 2018, the Center hosted 484 delegates from Serbia. The Open World program there aims to strengthen democracy and the legislative process, while also combating corruption. Our program reinforces the Rule of Law sector by bringing judges working on domestic violence. By sending delegations to Columbus and Cleveland, Open World supports the sister state relationship between Ohio and Serbia.

After participating on the Open World program in May 2018, Member of Parliament alumna, Nataša Mihailović commented that “an invitation for the participation in the Open World program is an important international recognition of the Serbian Parliament's commitment to the democratization of Serbia.”
Open World alumni continue to make strides in Rule of Law. One alumna, a judge in the Basic Court of Nis, started an information service for the High Court there. Since the inception of her project, numerous cases that lingered in the court system were finally settled. The judge cultivated her idea for this project from her Open World experience in Washington, D.C. and Cleveland, Ohio during her program in 2016.

**Tajikistan**

From 2011 through 2018, the Center hosted 519 delegates from Tajikistan. Open World alumni in Tajikistan are actively sharing their experiences with their colleagues and communities. One Open World alumna, who recently participated in a Women Entrepreneurship program, is now the owner of a Feed the Future women’s sewing training center. She is paying her Open World experience forward by partnering with the National Association of Business Women in Tajikistan to empower more women to start their own business.

Our parliamentary alumni are transformed by their Open World experience and are eager to engage and train more young people in legislative affairs once they return home. The delegates are inspired by the Members of Congress they meet. Alumni reflected that every member they met with strongly advocated for their constituents and made decisions with their community members in mind.

**Turkmenistan**

From 2008 through 2017, the Center hosted 196 delegates from Turkmenistan. Open World is planning to reinstate its program for Turkmenistan in 2019, and will focus on programming in the areas of Media and Journalism and building the Sister-City Relationship between Ashgabat and Albuquerque, New Mexico. In 2017, the Albuquerque-Ashgabat Sister City Committee hosted a delegation of women entrepreneurs. One of the delegates recently started her own textile and interior decorating business in Turkmenistan and she had the ability to discuss best practices and ideas with her American counterparts that were very useful for her business. Her Americans hosts were impressed by her designs and have been in discussions with her to collaborate on future projects.

In addition, a recent education program resulted in the Central New Mexico Community College in Albuquerque working to set up a faculty and student exchange with universities in Ashgabat. One professor has already traveled to Turkmenistan to serve as a guest lecturer resulting from this programming.

**Uzbekistan**

From 2003 through 2018, the Center hosted 159 delegates from Uzbekistan. In addition to connecting Uzbek leaders to their U.S. counterparts, the Open World program has increased Uzbekistan’s exposure to accurate information and positive experience of the United States. Furthermore, by staying with American host families, the delegates receive an understanding of U.S. culture and values first-hand. This is increasingly important in Uzbekistan, which is strategically placed along the border of Afghanistan and between two large geopolitical and
economic powerhouses. Each program and additional delegate will strengthen our efforts to counter disinformation campaigns seeking to undermine U.S. influence and policy objectives in Uzbekistan and the region.

An example of this can be seen in last year’s delegation of Members of Parliament from Uzbekistan, who while in D.C., were able to give Members of Congress firsthand actionable information about key developments in Uzbekistan over the past year since the death of longtime ruler Islam Karimov and the election of new President Shavkat Mirziyoyev. Furthermore, the program coincided with the terrible terrorist attack in New York City, which was perpetrated by an Uzbek citizen. The delegation was able to speak with people about the incident, share condolences and discuss common misunderstanding about Uzbek life.

During discussions with high-level Uzbek delegates participating in the Open World program this year, it became clear that the program has buy-in from the very top level of leadership in the country. President Mirziyoyev himself has nominated delegates to the program, including the mayors of both Khiva and Samarkand, high ranking Senators, and deputy ministers.

**Summary of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Request**

The Open World Leadership Center’s Budget Request of $5.8 million for fiscal year 2020 is an increase of $200,000 (3.6 percent) over fiscal year 2019 enacted funding. The funding level will enable the Center to continue its proven mission of hosting young political, civic, and cultural leaders from Russia; maintain its important program with Ukraine; and continue key programs with select countries approved by the Board of Trustees and in consultation with this Committee. The Board of Trustees believes that maintaining a robust grassroots-based Open World presence in Russia is necessary and important for future U.S.-Russia relations. Programs in expansion countries will account for a larger percentage of hosting than in the past. Program hosting capacity in fiscal year 2020 at the requested level remains far below the limit of 3,000 set in the Center’s authorizing legislation.

The budget request maintains hosting and other programmatic activities at a level of approximately 800-900 participants total. Actual allocations of participant slots to individual countries will be based on the Center’s Board of Trustees recommendations and consultations with the Appropriations Committee, Members of Congress, and U.S. Embassies in Open World countries. Generally, each year’s hosting is split one-third for Russia, one-third for Ukraine, and one-third for all remaining countries.
### Total Funds Available - All Sources
(Actual Dollars)

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*This column has been adjusted for current year impacts.

### Major categories of requested funding are:

**Projected Funds Available** $ 6,649,586

- **Salaries and Benefits** $ 863,014 (split: part prog/part admin costs)
- **Contracts, interagency agreements** $ 2,952,300 (100% program)
- **Grants/Other direct program costs** $ 2,688,415 (100% program)
- **Administrative/Office costs** $ 95,900 (100% administrative) $ 6,599,629^2

Currently the Center staff includes:

- **Executive Director** EX
- **Congressional Relations Specialist** GS-14
- **Senior Program Manager** GS-14
- **Program Manager** GS-13
- **Program Officer** GS-09
- **Public Affairs Assistant** GS-07

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^2 The amount over $5.8 million shown here will be covered by unanticipated interagency transfers and other offsets.
Since the Center began working with our U.S. Embassies directly in 13 countries, this is the minimum program staff level required to manage 800-1000 participants in a program year. Each Program Manager handles between five and seven grantees and between 325 and 400 participants. The program assistant provides much needed logistics and other support. The Center’s staff coordinate all aspects of the delegation from initial nominations, selection and vetting; approving the program agenda in Washington, D.C.; and planning and monitoring activities in the host community.

The Center seeks every opportunity to capture any possible reductions or savings in costs. For example, the Center works closely with grantees to find volunteer hosting organizations and requires cost-sharing in every grant proposal. We also conduct periodic reviews with our logistical contractor to find the best airfares, to keep staff costs at a minimum, and to find savings wherever possible.

Open World spends its appropriation in two categories: Direct Program Costs and Administration Costs. Direct Program Costs includes a logistical coordinator contract; grants to host organizations across the United States; Memoranda of Agreements with U.S. embassies in Open World countries; and about 60% of the salary and benefits of the Center’s staff.

In these categories, the Center’s fiscal year 2019 budget request breaks down as follows:

A. Direct Program — $ 6,176,273

1. Contracts/Embassy and Other Agreements 2,952,300
2. Grants/Other Hosting Costs 2,688,415
3. Salary/Benefits (Program) 535,558

The logistical services contract with a Washington-based NGO is the single largest expenditure at Open World. This contractor coordinates the delegate nomination and vetting process and is tasked with obtaining visas and other travel documents; arranging and purchasing airfare and accommodations; planning and executing the two-day D.C. orientation, and coordinating with grantees and placing delegates in American host cities, among other duties. Since the Center began working directly with embassies abroad in 2013, the contract cost decreased significantly while the embassy agreements increased.

Grants/Other Hosting Costs refer to national and local hosting organizations (such as Rotary Club, Friendship Force International, and community colleges) that plan and execute an 8-day local program for each delegation.

B. Administration — $ 423,356

1. Salary/Benefits (Admin) 327,456
2. All Other Operating Expenses 95,900

The salaries/benefits of the Executive Director and the Congressional Relations Officer (80% and 65% respectively) are included in this category. It also includes an interagency agreement with the Library of Congress for infrastructure services, small contracts for professional services, postage, telephone, cell phones, and office supplies and materials. The Center benefits from lower administrative costs due to its physical location in the Library of Congress. Finally, agreements with other agencies for infrastructure services or for printing, webhosting, or graphic design are included here.

**TOTAL BUDGET:** $6,599,629

In summary, the Center allocates the time of the Executive Director and the Congressional Relations Officer between Program and Administrative Costs. All the Program Staff are allocated accordingly. Below is a Summary Table:

**Summary of Costs by Category**

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Overhead Rate 6.4%

The Open World program has been carefully honed through the years based on an ongoing and consistent review of the programming. Bearing in mind that quality will not be compromised, the Center continues the trend of reducing unit cost per appropriated dollar; of adjusting the strategies for nominations to bring legislators as a significant portion of our delegates; of working with many host organizations in all fifty states to make the programs highly relevant; and of fostering partnerships and projects involving alumni and hosts.

Major support for the Open World program comes from by the dedicated and enthusiastic American citizens who host program participants in their homes and communities. These volunteers organize social events, community-wide activities, housing, and some meals for one week. Without this in-kind support, the cost of hosting Open World’s 28,000 participants would
have been substantially higher. In 2018, the hosting of Open World participants in homes throughout the United States along with cost shares offered by our embassies and logistical contractor (an NGO) saved the Center an estimated $2 million in hosting costs alone.

Conclusion

Before closing this justification for the funding of the Open World Leadership Center, it is important to talk about continuing participation of Russian and Ukrainian delegates once their program is over. Russia continues to play a critical role in events in the region, in Europe, and has extended its reach far beyond its boundaries. Ukraine is entering its fifth year of conflict with the Russian Federation and its fifth year of sporadic, though effective, reforms. While relations with and within these countries remain tense, there looms the issue of how to present America – its values, its intentions, and its desire to uphold the sovereignty of nations and to help settle conflicts.

Kremlin control of media within Russian borders, and the very effective information campaign in neighboring states, has brought the intended results – strong internal support for the Russian president and for his policies; a resurgent pride in Russia’s expanded role on the world stage; and
a reassertion of its spheres of influence. A few years ago, the United States had more than 300 active exchange programs with Russia. Today there are just a few, and only one, the Open World program, has the means to reach throughout this vast country and to attract rising leaders who might otherwise eschew a U.S.-sponsored program.

Our Russian and Ukrainian delegates, who stay with American families for their intense ten-day program, carry back an understanding of a people in the United States who share many of the same aspirations they have: a prosperous, peaceful country; hope that their children will fulfill their potential; and a desire to understand one another. With at least a third of the delegates under the age of 30, and recognized as leaders among their peers, these Open World participants can explain to their broad range of contacts that the United States is not as portrayed in the mass media, but nuanced as is their own country.

Open World, in some ways, is the last hope for cooperation with Russia and is a lifeline to democratic processes for Ukraine. As a resource for Congress and the nation, we may now be the most important program in Russia. Our alumni there, 19,800 strong, fill important positions in all regions, crossing many classes and professions of Russia. In Ukrainian and Eurasian society, we have bolstered relations with Congress and supported critical reform efforts. Congress is right to be proud of what they funded and supported.

Advancing democracy and strengthening civil society worldwide is a strategic long-term investment in our nation’s security and a crucial source of our international influence and strength. The Open World Leadership Center is committed to these efforts recognizing the possibility of uncertainty and setbacks, and understanding that progress requires our unwavering dedication to enduring principles and goals.

Russia and Ukraine are keys to the future of the region. By supporting reformers and Euro-integrationists in Ukraine, by supporting those engaged in countering disinformation, and by helping committed officials use the laws on decentralization, health, and educational reform succeed, we in a small way help balance the overwhelming advantage Russia enjoys at this moment.

Our intertwined interests and rivalries with Russia will not fade, and we need to be smart enough to engage the post-Putin generation for they will soon enough influence whether their country continues its role as a destabilizing force or works with the community of nations in Europe and Eurasia.

To that end, American Congressional leadership in supporting the Open World program is paramount to the Center’s continued success.
TAB 2:

List of Grantees, Host Organizations and Judges by State
National Grantees/Local Host Organizations/Host Judges by State

ALABAMA

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Birmingham
American Foreign Policy Council – Huntsville
Birmingham International Center
Birmingham Sister Cities Commission
Birmingham Southern College
Friendship Force – Birmingham
Friendship Force – Huntsville
Friendship Force – Montgomery
Global Ties Alabama (statewide)
Rotary Club – Greater Huntsville
Rotary Club – Montgomery
United Methodist Church – Denton Road
U.S. District Court for the District of Alabama, 11th Circuit
University of Alabama Huntsville, Office of International Programs and Services

Federal and State Host Judges
Karon O. Bowdre, District Judge – Birmingham
Mark E. Fuller, District Judge
Myron H. Thompson, Magistrate Judge – Montgomery
Susan Walker, Magistrate Judge – Montgomery

ALASKA

National Grantee
Alaska State Legislature – Juneau

Local Host Organizations
Alaska/Khabarovsk Rule of Law Partnership – Anchorage
Anchorage International Rotary Club
Anchorage Sister Cities Commission
City of Homer
Pacific Environment
Prince William Sound Regional Citizens Advisory Council – Valdez
Rotary Club – Anchorage International
Rotary Club – Homer Kachemak Bay
Rotary Club – Juneau
Rotary Club – Kendallville
Rotary Club – Ketchikan, First City
Rotary Club – Soldotna
United Methodist Church – Fairbanks
U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Harry Branson, *Magistrate Judge* – Anchorage

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**ARIZONA**

**Local Host Organizations**
American Association of University Women, East Mesa Branch
Arizona Supreme Court
Corporate Education Consulting, Inc. – Phoenix
Empower International – Phoenix
Flagstaff Sister Cities Organization
Friendship Force – Central Arizona
Friendship Force – Tucson
Friendship Force – Phoenix
International Training and Consulting, Inc. – Tucson
People for World Change
People to People International, Greater Phoenix Chapter
Pima Community College
Rotary Club – Fountain Hills
Rotary Club – Kingman Route 66
Rotary Club – Lake Havasu
Rotary Club – Phoenix
Rotary Club – Sun City West
Rotary Club – Tucson
Rotary Club – Westminster 7:10
Rotary Club – Yuma
Rotary District 5510
Southern Arizona Council for International Visitors – Tucson
Tucson-Almaty Sister Cities Committee
Tucson Council for International Visitors
United Methodist Church – Kingman
United Methodist Church – Lake Havasu
United Methodist Church – Phoenix
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Arizona – Phoenix
U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona – Phoenix

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Eileen Hollowell, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Tucson
John Roll, *District Judge* – Tucson
Murray Snow, *District Judge* – Chandler
ARKANSAS

**Local Host Organizations**
American Association of University Women, North Little Rock Chapter
Arkansas River Valley Regional Library – Dardanelle
Arkansas State University Mountain Home
Garland County Community College – Hot Springs
Global Ties Arkansas (statewide)
The Jonesboro Sun
League of Women Voters – Washington County
Rotary Club – Bentonville
Rotary Club – Bella Vista Noon
Rotary Club – Little Rock
Sebastian County Bar Association – Fort Smith
United Methodist Church – Conway
United Methodist Church – DeWitt
United Methodist Church – Fort Smith
United Methodist Church – Little Rock
United Methodist Church – Mena
United Methodist Church – Searcy
University of Arkansas School of Law – Fayetteville

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Richard D. Taylor, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Little Rock
Susan Webber Wright, *District Judge* – Little Rock

CALIFORNIA

**National Grantees**
Brubeck Institute at the University of the Pacific – Stockton
Center for Safe Energy – Berkeley
Earth Island Institute – San Francisco
Independent Television Service (ITVS) – San Francisco
Pacific Environment – San Francisco
Sonoma City Opera
Tahoe-Baikal Institute – South Lake Tahoe

**Local Host Organizations**
49’er Breakfast Rotary Club – Nevada City
Alushta-Santa Cruz Sister County Support
Azerbaijani-American Council – Irvine
American Foreign Policy Council – Fresno
American Foreign Policy Council – Huntington Beach
Brubeck Institute at the University of the Pacific – Stockton
Center for Safe Energy – Berkeley
City of Livermore
City of Santa Cruz Sister Cities Committee
Congress of Russian Americans, Stanford University – Palo Alto
County of Santa Clara/Moscow Sister County Commission – San Jose
Earth Island Institute: Baikal Watch – San Francisco
Episcopal Church – Berkeley
Estate Financial, Inc. – Santa Barbara
Friendship Force – Kern County
Friendship Force – Sacramento
Greater L.A. Chapter of People to People – Granada Hills
Hartnell College Foundation – Salinas
HiveQuest – San Francisco
Independent Television Service (ITVS) – San Francisco
International Visitors Council – San Diego
International Visitors Council – Los Angeles
International Relations Council of Riverside
Kidsave International – Culver City
League of Women Voters – Claremont
League of Women Voters – Los Angeles
League of Women Voters – Piedmont
League of Women Voters – San Luis Obispo
Long Beach/Sochi Sister City Association
Los Angeles-Saint Petersburg Sister City Committee
Modesto Sister Cities International
National Council of International Visitors – Santa Ana
National Peace Foundation Escondido Chapter
New Bridge Management – Turlock
Northern California World Trade Center – Sacramento
Oakland/Nakhodka Sister City Association
Pacific Environment – San Francisco
Peace Links – Berkeley
Peace Links – San Francisco
People to People International – Greater Los Angeles Chapter
Rotary Club – Cloverdale
Rotary Club – Concord
Rotary Club – Dominguez-Carson
Rotary Club – Del Amo
Rotary Club – Del Mar
Rotary Club – East Fresno
Rotary Club – Hollywood
Rotary Club – La Verne
Rotary Club – Lamorinda Sunrise
Rotary Club – Livermore
Rotary Club – Los Altos
Rotary Club – Los Angeles – Wilshire
Rotary Club – Manhattan Beach
Rotary Club – Mariposa
Rotary Club – Merced Sunrise
Rotary Club – Mid San Fernando Valley
Rotary Club – Nevada City
Rotary Club – Oakland
Rotary Club – Palm Springs
Rotary Club – Palos Verdes
Rotary Club – Pasadena
Rotary Club – Paso Robles
Rotary Club – Rancho Cucamonga
Rotary Club – Rancho San Diego/Spring Valley
Rotary Club – Redlands
Rotary Club – Redding
Rotary Club – San Pedro
Rotary Club – Santa Barbara
Rotary Club – Santa Cruz
Rotary Club – Stockton East
Rotary Club – Temecula
Rotary Club – the High Desert
Rotary Club – Turlock
Rotary Club – Walnut Creek
Rotary Club – Westlake Village
Rotary District 5320 – Orange County
Russian American Business and Arts Council – Los Angeles
Sacramento City College, International Studies Program
Sacramento Council for International Visitors
San Diego Citizen Diplomacy Council
San Diego-Vladiivostok Sister City Society
Santa Barbara Cinco de Mayo Festival Committee
Santa Clara-Moscow Sister County Commission
Santa Cruz Sister Cities
Sebastopol World Friends, Chyhyryn Committee
Sonoma City Opera
Stafford Institute – San Francisco
Tahoe-Baikal Institute – South Lake Tahoe
United Methodist Church – La Mesa
United Methodist Church – Los Angeles
United Methodist Church – Ontario
United Methodist Church – Sanger
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
U.S. West Coast-Russian Far East
University of California Los Angeles Department of Information Studies
University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law – Sacramento
Federal and State Host Judges
Louise Adler, Bankruptcy Judge – San Diego
Peter Bowie, Bankruptcy Judge – San Diego
Samuel Bufford, Bankruptcy Judge – Los Angeles
Marilyn L. Huff, District Judge – Los Angeles
Christopher M. Klein, Bankruptcy Judge – Sacramento
Ronald S.W. Lew, District Judge – Los Angeles
Consuelo B. Marshall, District Judge – Los Angeles
Margaret McKeown, Circuit Judge – San Diego
Michael McManus, Bankruptcy Judge – Sacramento
Louisa Porter, Magistrate Judge – San Diego
Ronald H. Sargs, Bankruptcy Judge – Sacramento
William Shubb, District Judge – Sacramento
Dickran Tevrizian, District Judge – Los Angeles

COLORADO

National Grantees
International Institute of Education/Rocky Mountain Center

Local Host Organizations
Arvada Sister Cities, Inc. Kyzylorda Committee
Boulder Chorale
Boulder County Public Health
Boulder-Dushanbe Sister Cities
Colorado Springs Sister Cities International
CROSSwalk People Helpers – Arvada
Fremont County and Valdai Sister City Association
Friendship Force – Greater Denver
Friendship Force – Northern Colorado
League of Women Voters – Boulder County
Research Management Consultants, Inc. – Golden
Rotary Club – Aspen
Rotary Club – Centennial
Rotary Club – Denver
Rotary Club – the Denver Tech Center
Rotary Club – Evergreen
Rotary Club – Ft. Collins
Rotary Club – Golden
Rotary Club – Longmont
Rotary Club – Pagosa Springs
Rotary Club – Parker
Rotary Club – Smoky Hill
Rotary Club – Vail
Rotary Club – Westminster 7:10
Telluride Film Festival
United Methodist Church – Towner
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Colorado
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
WorldDenver

Federal and State Host Judges
Sidney B. Brooks, Bankruptcy Judge – Denver
David M. Ebel, Circuit Judge – Denver
Timothy M. Tymkovich, Circuit Judge – Denver

CONNECTICUT

Local Host Organizations
Connecticut-Pskov Rule of Law Partnership Committee
– New Haven
Friendship Force Connecticut – Hartford
International Visitors Committee of Connecticut – Westport
League of Women Voters – Canton
National Council for International Visitors – Westport
Rotary Club – Colchester
Rotary Club – Devon
Rotary Club – New Haven
Southern Connecticut Friendship Force – Branford
State of Connecticut Judicial Branch Court Support Services
Division – Wethersfield
University of Connecticut Global Training and Development
Institute – Storrs
University of New Haven
Yale School of Drama
Yale University School of Medicine

Federal and State Host Judges
Peter Dorsey, District Judge – New Haven
John Walker, Circuit Judge – New Haven
Robin Tabora, Clerk of Court – New Haven

DELAWARE

Local Host Organizations
Citizen Diplomacy International of Philadelphia
Delaware Justice of the Peace Courts
National Council for International Visitors – Wilmington
United Methodist Church – Milford
University of Delaware Library – Newark
University of Delaware, Institute for Global Studies – Newark
Vital Voices Global Partnership
Federal and State Host Judges
Sue Robinson, District Judge – Wilmington

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

National Grantees
American Foreign Policy Council
American International Health Alliance
American University – Women and Politics Institute
Center for Democracy
Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights
Freedom House
Graduate School
International Academy for Freedom of Religion and Belief
International Republican Institute
ISAR Resources for Environmental Activists
League of Women Voters
Meridian International Center
Global Ties
National Democratic Institute for International Affairs
National Peace Foundation
Peace Links
Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz
U.S.-Ukraine Foundation
Vital Voices Global Partnership

Local Host Organizations
American University
Center for Democracy
Center for Law and Social Policy
Chemonics, Inc
George Washington University, Community Legal Clinics
Global Arts Network
Hillwood Estate Museum and Gardens
Historic Preservation Office, District of Columbia Office of Planning
Initiative for Russian Culture at American University
International Republican Institute
ISAR: Resources for Environmental Activists
League of Women Voters of the United States
Library of Congress Preservation Directorate
National Council for International Visitors
National Council for the Traditional Arts
National Democratic Institute for International Affairs
National Peace Foundation – Urban Schools Program
Rotary Club – Washington, DC
Valbin’s Center for International Programs
Vital Voices Global Partnership
Wider Opportunities for Women
Women in Politics Institute, American University

FLORIDA

National Grantees
GlobalJAX – Jacksonville
Stetson University School of Law – Gulfport

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Sarasota
American Foreign Policy Council – Melbourne
American Foreign Policy Council – Sarasota
Eckerd College – St. Petersburg
Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida
Enter-Met Thermochemical Engineers, Inc.
Florida Suncoast Friendship Force Club – Tampa Bay
Friendship Force – Greater Orlando
Friendship Force – Sarasota
Friendship Force of Tallahassee
Friendship Force of The Villages
Global Ties Miami
GlobalJAX – Jacksonville
Gulf Coast Citizen Diplomacy Council – Pensacola
International Council – Central Florida, Inc. – Orlando
International Resource Center – Jacksonville
Jacksonville Sister Cities Association
Lakeland Sister Cities International, Inc.
League of Women Voters – Broward County
Manatee County Sheriff’s Office
Miami Dade College
Rotary Club – Brandon South
Rotary Club – Cantonment
Rotary Club – Coral Springs
Rotary Club – John Knox Village
Rotary Club – Largo
Rotary Club – New Tampa
Rotary Club – Panama City
Rotary Club – Pensacola
Rotary Club – Sarasota
Rotary Club – Seminole County South
Rotary Club – Tallahassee
Rotary Club – Tampa/Tampa Armature Works
Rotary Club – Weston
Rotary District 6970 – Jacksonville
Sister City Program – Gainesville, Inc.
Sister Cities Program – St. Petersburg
St. Petersburg College
St. Petersburg International Folk Fair Society, Inc.
Stetson University College of Law – Gulfport
Tallahassee Community College
Tallahassee-Krasnodar Sister City Program
Tampa Law Center
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
United Methodist Church – Fort Walton Beach
United Methodist Church – Fruitland
United Methodist Church – Jacksonville
United Methodist Church – Lighthouse Point
United Methodist Church – Orlando
United Methodist Church – Palm City
United Methodist Church – Pensacola
United Methodist Church – Sarasota
United Methodist Church – Titusville
University of Miami School of Law
University of South Florida Health Science Center – Tampa

Federal and State Host Judges
David Baker, *Magistrate Judge* – Orlando
Rosemary Barkett, *District Judge* – Miami
A. Jay Cristol, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Miami
Patricia Fawsett, *District Judge* – Orlando
James Glazebrook, *Magistrate Judge* – Orlando
Alan S. Gold, *District Judge* – Miami
Elizabeth Jenkins, *Magistrate Judge* – Tampa
Elizabeth Kovachevich, *District Judge* – Tampa
Stephan P. Mickle, *District Judge* – Gainesville
Harvey Schlesinger, *District Judge* – Jacksonville

GEORGIA

National Grantees
Claus M. Halle Institute for Global Learning at Emory University – Atlanta
Friendship Force International – Atlanta
Future of Russia Foundation
GA2GE Foundation (Georgia to Georgia Foundation)
Intercultural Services

Local Host Organizations
Addiction Recovery Institute
Alston and Bird – Atlanta
Atlanta-Tbilisi Sister City Committee
Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League – Augusta
Citizen Diplomat Corps
Columbus-Zugdidi Sister Cities
Community Service Board – Dekalb
Emory University School of Law
Episcopal Church – Columbus
Friendship Force – Decatur
Friendship Force – Greater Atlanta
Friendship Force – Hartwell
Friendship Force – North Georgia
Georgia Council for International Visitors – Atlanta
GA2GE Foundation (Georgia to Georgia Foundation) – Atlanta
Greater Savannah International Alliance
Hall, Booth, Smith & Slover, P.C. – Atlanta
Juvenile Court of Clayton County
League of Women Voters of Atlanta – Fulton County
Northminster Presbyterian Church – Roswell
Office of International Affairs, Emory University – Atlanta
Peace Links – Cleveland
Rotary Club – Atlanta
Rotary Club – Duluth
Rotary Club – Gwinnett County
Rotary District 6920 – Savannah
Toccoa/Stephens County Chamber of Commerce
United Methodist Church – August
United Methodist Church – Saint Simons Island
World Health Organization Collaborating Center in Reproductive Health, Emory University School of Medicine – Atlanta

Federal and State Host Judges
William Duffey, District Judge – Atlanta
Owen Forrester, District Judge – Atlanta

HAWAII

Local Host Organizations
International Peace and Friendship
Kapi’olani Community College – Honolulu
National Peace Foundation – Honolulu
Pacific and Asian Affairs Council – Honolulu
Rotary Club – Honolulu
U.S. District Court for the District of Hawaii
University of Hawaii Maui College

Federal and State Host Judges
David Ezra, District Judge – Honolulu
IDAHO

National Grantee
Lionel Hampton Center at the University of Idaho – Moscow

Local Host Organizations
Boise State University, International Programs
Idaho Council for International Visitors – Boise
University of Idaho International Jazz Collections – Moscow
Lionel Hampton International Jazz Festival, University of Idaho – Moscow
Rotary Club – Boise Metro
Rotary Club – Boise Sunshine
Rotary Club – Idaho Falls

Federal and State Host Judges
B. Lynn Winmill, District Judge – Boise

ILLINOIS

National Grantees
Columbia College Chicago
Rotary International – Evanston
Vladimir/Canterbury Sister City Association – Normal

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Carbondale
Chicago Jazz Ensemble, Columbia College
Chicago Sister Cities International
CHP International – Oak Park
Citizen Bridges International – Chicago
College of Du Page – Glen Ellyn
Columbia College Chicago
Council of International Programs – Chicago
Episcopal Church – Peoria
Friendship Force – Northern Illinois
Geneseo International Thanksgiving Fellowship Program
Heartland Alliance International – Chicago
Illinois Central College – East Peoria
International Cultural Educational Association – Chicago
International Republican Institute – Glenview
International Visitors Center – Chicago
Kyiv Mohyla Foundation of America
League of Women Voters – Lake Forest
League of Women Voters – McLean County
League of Women Voters – Oak Park
Lithuanian American Community, Inc. – Chicago
Otto and Associates – Park Ridge
Peoria Area World Affairs Council
Rock River Valley International Fellowship Committee
Rotary Club – Carbondale
Rotary Club – Chicago
Rotary Club – Springfield
Rotary District 6450 – Chicago
Rotary District 6640 – Hoffman Estates
Russian, East European, and Eurasian Center, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Springfield Commission on International Visitors
Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau
Supporters of Civil Society in Russia, Inc. – Chicago
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois
United Methodist Church – Bolingbrook
United Methodist Church – Lewistown
United Methodist Church – Orion
United Methodist Church – Quincy
United Methodist Church – Wheaton
Vladimir/Canterbury Sister City Association – Bloomington–Normal
WorldChicago

Federal and State Host Judges
Marvin Aspen, District Judge – Chicago
Collins T. Fitzpatrick, Circuit Executive – Chicago
Phil Gilbert, District Judge – Benton
David Herndon, District Judge – East St. Louis
Charles Kocoras, District Judge – Chicago
George Marovich, District Judge – Chicago
Michael McCuskey, District Judge – Lacon
Michael Mihm, District Judge – Peoria
Richard Mills, District Judge – Springfield
James Moran, District Judge – Chicago
James Shadid, District Judge – Peoria
Diane Wood, Circuit Judge – Chicago
INDIANA

National Grantee
Charitable Resource Foundation – New Albany

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Fort Wayne
Beyond Borders Global Connections
Elkhart Sister Cities Association
Indiana Government Center South – Indianapolis
Indiana Judicial Center – Indianapolis
Indiana Supreme Court – Indianapolis
Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs – Bloomington
International Center – Indianapolis
Marion County Law Library
National Peace Foundation – Indianapolis
Office of the Indiana Attorney General – Indianapolis
Peace Links – Elkhart
Resource Foundation, Inc. – Greenwood
Rotary Club – Bedford Rotary Club – Berne
Rotary Club – Bloomington
Rotary Club – Carmel
Rotary Club – Columbus
Rotary Club – Fishers
Rotary Club – Indianapolis
Rotary Club – Jeffersonville
Rotary Club – Kendallville
Rotary Club – Lafayette
Rotary Club – Muncie Sunrise
Rotary Club – Terra Haute
Rotary Club – Vincennes
Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society – Indianapolis
Sister Cities of Richmond
United Methodist Church – Bloomington
United Methodist Church – Indianapolis
United Methodist Church – South Bend
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
Welcome Michiana – South Bend

Federal and State Host Judges
Michael Kanne, District Judge – Fort Wayne
IOWA

National Grantees
Iowa Sister States – Des Moines
United States District for the Southern District of Iowa
University of Iowa International Writing Program – Iowa City

Local Host Organizations
Community Sister City Organization – Osage
Council Bluffs Tobolsk Sister City Association
Council for International Visitors to Iowa Cities
Creating Great Places – Coon Rapids
Dubuque Chamber of Commerce
Friendship Force – Central Iowa
Friendship Force – Cedar Rapids/Iowa City
Friendship Force – Greater Des Moines
Friendship Force – Quad Cities
Genesis Medical Center – Davenport
Grinnell Renaissance
International Training, Education and Business Services and Associates, LLC (ITEBS & Associates, LLC) – International Writing Program at the University of Iowa – Iowa City
Iowa Central Community College – Fort Dodge
Iowa Council for International Understanding – Des Moines
Iowa International Center – Des Moines
Iowa Sister States – Des Moines
League of Women Voters – Ames
Marshalltown Medical and Surgical Center
Marshalltown Sister Cities
Mary Greely Medical Center – Ames
Mercy Medical Center – Des Moines
Mt. Pleasant Public Library
Muscatine Sister Cities, Inc.
Myrtue Memorial Hospital – Harlan
National Peace Foundation – Cedar Rapids
OPEN (Organization Promoting Everlasting Neighbors) – Newton
People to People International, Oscaloosa Chapter
Rotary Club – Des Moines
Rotary Club – Iowa City
Siouxland Community Health Center – Sioux City
Skiff Medical Center – Newton
Southeastern Community College – West Burlington
St. Luke’s Hospital – Sioux City
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Iowa
United Methodist Church – Buckingham
United Methodist Church – Davenport
United Methodist Church – Des Moines
United Methodist Church – Harlan
United Methodist Church – Shenandoah
United Methodist Church – Van Horne
United Methodist Church – Waukee
Van Buren County Hospital – Keosauqua

**Federal and State Host Judges**
James E. Gritzner, *Senior District Judge* – Des Moines
Robert Pratt, *District Judge* – Cedar Rapids
Larry Eisenhauer, former *State Court of Appeals Judge* – Des Moines

**KANSAS**

**Local Host Organizations**
Dodge City Public Library
Emporia State University
Friendship Force of Kansas – Wichita
Global Ties – Kansas City
Honors Leadership Academy, Neosho County Community College – Chanute
International Visitors Council – Greater Kansas City
Johnson County Library – Overland Park
League of Women Voters – Wichita Metro
People to People International – Greater Kansas City
Rotary Club – Abilene
Rotary Club – Andover
Rotary Club – El Dorado
Rotary Club – Hays
Rotary Club – Larned
Rotary Club – Lawrence
Rotary Club – Hutchinson
Rotary Club – Lenexa
Rotary Club – Overland Park
Rotary Club – Leawood
Rotary Club – Shawnee
Rotary Club – Topeka
Rotary Club – West Wichita
Rotary Club – Winfield
United Methodist Church – Beloit
United Methodist Church – Manhattan
United Methodist Church – Pratt
United Methodist Church – Sawyer
United Methodist Church – Stockton
United Methodist Church – Topeka
United Methodist Church – Washington
University of Kansas Center for Russian, East European &
Eurasian Studies – Lawrence
U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Monti L. Belot, *District Judge* – Kansas City
John Lungstrum, *District Judge* – Kansas City
John Thomas Marten, *District Judge* – Kansas City
Kathryn Vratil, *District Judge* – Kansas City

**KENTUCKY**

**National Grantees**
Louisville International Cultural Center
University of Louisville School of Music

**Local Host Organizations**
American Foreign Policy Council – Louisville
Bluegrass Community and Technical College
Episcopal Church – Richmond
Friendship Force – Western Kentucky
Kentucky Community and Technical College System
Kentucky World Trade Center
Louisville International Cultural Center
National Peace Foundation – Louisville
National Peace Foundation – Maysville
Rotary Club – Frankfort
Rotary Club – Franklin
Rotary Club – Hurstbourne Sunrise
Sister Cities of Louisville, Inc
University of Kentucky School of Public Health
University of Louisville School of Music
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky
World Affairs Council of Kentucky & Southern Indiana*

**Federal and State Host Judges**
James Moyar, *Magistrate Judge*
John Rogers, *Circuit Judge*
Thomas Russell, *District Judge*
Charles Simpson, *District Judge*
LOUISIANA

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Metairie
Contemporary Arts Center – New Orleans
Council for International Visitors – Greater New Orleans
Friendship Force – Baton Rouge
Louisiana State University, Department of History and Social Sciences – Baton Rouge
National Peace Foundation – Baton Rouge
New Orleans Citizen Diplomacy Council
Rotary Club – Harahan
Rotary Club – Metairie
Rotary Club – Shreveport
Shreveport Bar Association
Supreme Court of Louisiana – Baton Rouge
Tulane University – New Orleans
Turkmenistan Youth and Civic Values Foundation – Shreveport
United Methodist Church – Lake Charles
United Methodist Church – Natchitoches
United Methodist Church – Shreveport
United Methodist Church – Slidell
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana

Federal and State Host Judges
James Brady, Sr., District Judge – Baton Rouge
S. Maurice Hicks, District Judge – Shreveport
Mark Hornsby, U.S. Magistrate Judge – Shreveport
Roy Payne, Magistrate Judge – Shreveport
Donald Walter, District Judge – Shreveport

MAINE

National Grantee
Archangel Committee of Greater Portland

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Caribou
American Foreign Policy Council – Portland
Center for Global Opportunities, Southern Maine Technical College – South Portland
Greater Portland Russian Sister City Project (Archangel Committee) – Portland
Holocaust Human Rights Center of Maine – Augusta
Kotlas-Waterville Area Sister City Connection
Maine Supreme Judicial Court – Portland
Maine/Arkhangelsk Rule of Law Partnership Committee
  – Portland
Rotary Club – Portland
U.S. District Court for the District of Maine
University of Maine School of Law – Portland
University of Southern Maine, American–Caucasus Workgroup – Portland
Verill & Dana, LLP – Portland
World Affairs Council of Maine – Portland

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Margaret Kravchuck, *Magistrate Judge* – Bangor

**MARYLAND**

**National Grantee**
Foundation for International Arts and Education – Bethesda
Maryland Leningrad Sister State Committee of Sister States of Maryland, Inc. – Annapolis

**Local Host Organizations**
American Association of University Women – Rockville
American Foreign Policy Council – Frederick
American Foreign Policy Council – Greenbelt
Baltimore–Odessa Sister City Committee
Center for Democracy and the Interpretation of Civil Society,
  St. Mary’s College of Maryland
Center for International Programs
Community College of Baltimore County – Baltimore
Cultural Vistas – Columbia
Director of International Affairs/Mayor’s Office, City of Baltimore
Ferguson Foundation – Accokeek
Frederick Community College
Friends of Chernobyl Centers, U.S. (FOCCUS) – Bethesda
Harford Community College – Bel Air
Howard Community College – Columbia
International Education Associates – Bethesda
League of Women Voters – Baltimore City
League of Women Voters – Baltimore County
League of Women Voters – Calvert
Maryland/IROLC Steering Committee – Annapolis
Maryland/Leningrad Oblast Rule of Law Partnership – Annapolis
Maryland Sister States Program – Annapolis
Montgomery County Sister Cities
National Council for the Traditional Arts – Silver Spring
National Peace Foundation – Potomac
Prince George's County Circuit Court, Seventh Judicial Circuit
Rotary Club – Annapolis
Rotary Club – Bethesda-Chevy Chase
Rotary Club – Frederick
Rotary Club – Parole
Rotary Club – Towsontowne
Rotary District 7620 – Mount Airy
Peace Links – Sandy Spring
Peace Links – Silver Spring
United Methodist Church – Bethesda
United Methodist Church – Friendship
United Methodist Church – Fulton
United Methodist Church – Rockville
University of Maryland Baltimore County – Baltimore
U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
Westminster Branch, Carroll County Public Library – Westminster
World Trade Center Institute – Baltimore

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Richard Bennett, *District Judge* – Baltimore
Andre Davis, *District Judge* – Baltimore
Cathy Serrette, *County Circuit Court Judge* – Upper Marlboro

**MASSACHUSETTS**

**National Grantee**

University of Massachusetts–Amherst Institute of Global Health
Cambridge-Yerevan Sister City Association (CYSCA)

**Local Host Organizations**

American Foreign Policy Council – Holyoke
Berkshire Community College
Bristol Community College
Cairdes Foundation – Plymouth
Cambridge-Yerevan Sister City Association (CYSCA)
Cape Cod Community College
International Center of Worcester
Jacob’s Pillow Dance – Becket
Kanfer Legal LLC – Boston
Massachusetts RAROLC Rule of Law Committee – Boston
Massachusetts Superior Court – Boston
Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court – Boston
Massachusetts Trial Court, Probate and Family Court Department – Boston
Massachusetts/Tomsk Rule of Law Partnership Committee – Boston
Mount Holyoke College – South Hadley
Peace Links – Framingham
Peace Links – Medford
Rotary Club – Scituate
Rotary Club – West Springfield
Rotary International District 7950 – Cape Cod
The Altai Project
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts – Worcester
U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit – Boston
U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts – Boston
University of Massachusetts Medical School – Worcester
University of Massachusetts Amherst Institute for Global Health
WorldBoston

Federal and State Host Judges
Frank Bailey, Circuit Judge – Boston
Marianne Bowler, Magistrate Judge – Boston
Robert Cordy, State Supreme Court Justice – Boston
Joan Feeney, Bankruptcy Judge – Boston
Richard Stearns, District Judge – Boston
Mark Wolf, District Judge – Boston

MICHIGAN

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Dearborn,
American Foreign Policy Council – Detroit
American Foreign Policy Council – Grand Rapids
Andrews University, Berrien Springs
Central Michigan University – Mount Pleasant
Colleagues International, Inc, Kalamazoo
Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Detroit
Eastern Michigan University School of Social Work - Ypsilanti
Ellen Thompson Women’s Health Center - Ypsilanti
Friendship Force – Greater Lansing
Global Minnesota – Minneapolis
Global Ties Detroit
Grand Rapids Public Schools - Grand Rapids
Hillsdale Community Library - Hillsdale
Interlochen Center for the Arts, Education Department - Interlochen
International Sister Cities Flint
International Visitors Council – Metropolitan Detroit
Kalamazoo-Pushkin Partnership Committee
Kalamazoo Russian Cultural Association
Lithuanian-American Community, Inc.
National Democratic Institute for International Affairs
People to People International – Midland Chapter
Pittsfield Charter Township
Portage Lake District Library - Houghton
Rotary Club – Downtown Grand Rapids
Rotary Club – Livingston Sunrise
Rotary Club – Kalamazoo Sunrise
Rotary Club – Lynchburg
Rotary Club –Marquette Breakfast
Rotary District 6360 - Charlotte
Sister Cities of Flint
Ukrainian National Women’s League of America Detroit
U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Michigan  
-Detroit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan - Detroit
United Methodist Church – Evart
United Methodist Church – Grand Rapids
United Methodist Church – Gwinn
United Methodist Church – Houghton
United Methodist Church – Kalamazoo
United Methodist Church – Kentwood
United Methodist Church – Plymouth
United Methodist Church – Port Huron
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Washtenaw County Prosecutor’s Office

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Virginia Morgan, *Magistrate Judge* - Ann Arbor
Gordon Quist, *District Judge* - Grand Rapids
Gerald Rosen, *District Judge* - Detroit

**MINNESOTA**

**National Grantee**
Connect US-Russia

**Local Host Organizations**
AIHA – Duluth
AIHA – Minneapolis
American Foreign Policy Council – Rochester
Alliance for Democracy – Minnesota
City of Lino Lakes
Connect/US-Russia
Duluth/Petrozavodsk Committee, Duluth Sister Cities International
Friends of Houston Nature Center
Friendship Force – Minnesota/Twin Cities
Hedburg Public Library
International Visitors Center – Jackson
La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association
Lake Superior Medical Society
League of Women Voters – Duluth
League of Women Voters – Edina
League of Women Voters – Minneapolis
League of Women Voters – St. Paul
Martin County Library System
Men as Peacemakers (Duluth)
Minnesota AIDS Project - St. Paul
Minnesota Alliance of Peacemakers - Minneapolis
Minnesota International Center - Minneapolis
Minnesota State Bar Association, Minneapolis
Minnesota State University - Mankato
Minnesota State University – Moorhead
Minnesota Supreme Court, St. Paul
North Country Health Services
North Country Regional Hospital
Plymouth Church Global Connections Committee, Minneapolis
Rainy River Community College, International Falls
Rotary Club – Arden/Shoreview
Rotary Club – Hibbing
Rotary Club – Minneapolis
Rotary Club – North St. Paul – Maplewood – Oakdale
Rotary Club – White Bear Lake
Rural AIDS Action Network (RAAN), St. Cloud
Saint Paul - Ramsey County Public Health
Sanford Health of Northern Minnesota, Alexandria
United Methodist Church – Owatonna
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota - Minneapolis
U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota - Minneapolis
Women in Business - Minneapolis
World Services – Minneapolis

Federal and State Host Judges
Michael Davis, District Judge - Minneapolis
Nancy Dreher, Bankruptcy Judge - Minneapolis
Jeanne Graham, Magistrate Judge - St. Paul
Jeffrey Keyes, Magistrate Judge, Minneapolis
Gregory Kishel, Bankruptcy Judge - St. Paul
Paul A. Magnuson, District Judge - St. Paul
John Tunheim, District Judge - Minneapolis

MISSISSIPPI

National Grantees
Mississippi Consortium for International Development
Mississippi State University
University of Mississippi/PEN

**Local Host Organizations**
American Foreign Policy Council – Tupelo
International Visitors Center – Jackson
Legacy International Development Group - Madison
Metier Professionals - Jackson
Mississippi Consortium for International Development
Mississippi State University, Mississippi State
National Peace Foundation – Oxford
Rotary Club – Hattiesburg
Rotary Club – Jackson*
Rotary Club – Moss Point
Rotary Club – Tupelo
United Methodist Church – Greenwood
United Methodist Church – Jackson
University of Mississippi, Mississippi State

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Jerry David, *Federal Magistrate Judge*, Jackson

**MISSOURI**

**National Grantee**
Supporters of Civil Society in Russia, Inc

**Local Host Organizations**
All Species Project, Kansas City
City of Columbia, Public Communications Office
Friendship Force – Missouri–St. Louis
Greater St. Louis – Samara Sister City Committee
Harry S. Truman School of Public Policy Affairs - Columbia
Global Ties Kansas City
League of Women Voters – Kansas City, Mo., Jackson, Clay - and Platte Counties
League of Women Voters – Sedalia–Pettis County
League of Women Voters – Southwest Missouri
Lincoln University of Missouri, Jefferson City
People to People International – Greater Kansas City Chapter
Rotary Club – Kansas City Plaza
Rotary Club – Lee’s Summit Sunrise
Rotary Club – Webster Groves
Rotary District 6060, St. Louis
St. Louis Sister Cities
St. Louis – Samara Sister Cities Committee
Supporters of Civil Society in Russia, Inc., St. Louis
United Methodist Church – Carthage
United Methodist Church – Hillsboro
United Methodist Church – Lambert
United Methodist Church – Lee’s Summit
United Methodist Church – St. Louis
World Affairs Council – St. Louis

Federal and State Host Judges
Catherine Perry, District Judge - St. Louis
Jerry Venters, Bankruptcy Judge, Kansas City

MONTANA

Local Host Organizations
Advisory Commission on International Relationships for City of Great Falls
Friendship Force – Billings
Friendship Force – Central Montana
National Peace Foundation – Missoula
Peace Links – Missoula
Rotary Club – Bentonville and Bella Vista Noon
WorldMontana - Helena

Federal and State Host Judges
Robert Holter, Magistrate Judge – Butte
Donald Molloy, District Judge – Missoula

NEBRASKA

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Lincoln
Arts Industry Coordinator/Nebraska Arts Council
Friendship Force – Eastern Nebraska
Friendship Force – Greater Omaha
Friendship Force – Lincoln
Friendship Force – Smithtown
Grand Island Area Council for International Visitors
Heartland Family Service – Omaha
Kiwanis Club – Omaha
Omaha Sister Cities Association
Rotary Club – East Lincoln
Rotary Club – Lincoln Downtown
Rotary Club – Lincoln South
Rotary Club – Lincoln Sunrise
Rotary Club – Omaha
United Methodist Church – Harvard
U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska, Omaha
University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Nursing – Omaha

Federal and State Host Judges
Joseph E. Bataillon, District Judge – Omaha
Laurie Smith Camp, District Judge – Omaha
Lyle E. Strom, District Judge – Omaha

NEVADA

National Grantee
Jewish Community Council

Local Host Organizations
Friendship Force of Las Vegas
Friendship Force of Reno-Tahoe
International Visitors Council – Northern Nevada
Northern Nevada International Center
Rotary Club – Elko
Rotary Club – Elko Desert Sunrise
Rotary Club – Fremont*
Rotary Club – Las Vegas
Rotary Club – Reno
Rotary Club – Reno Central
Rotary Club – Southern Nevada*
Rotary Club – Tahoe-Douglas
Rotary District 5300 – Las Vegas
U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada – Las Vegas

Federal and State Host Judges
Valerie Cooke, Magistrate Judge – Reno
Lloyd D. George, District Judge – Las Vegas
Howard McKibben, District Judge – Las Vegas

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Local Host Organizations
Friends Forever International – Durham
Friendship Force – New Hampshire Seacoast
International Cultural Education Association
New Hampshire Supreme Court, Office of the General Counsel – Concord
New Hampshire/Vologda Rule of Law Partnership Committee
NEW JERSEY

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Cherry Hill
Camden County Library – Atco
City of New Brunswick
Cross Cultural International Institute, New Milford
Friendship Force – Southern New Jersey
Global Education Center at Montclair State University
League of Women Voters – Montclair
Montclair Rotary Club
Monmouth University Institute for Global Understanding and Department of Political Science and Sociology
Ocean County Library
Phillipsburg Free Public Library
Princeton University, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures – Princeton
Rider University – Lawrenceville
Rotary Clubs of Branchburg and Princeton
Rotary Club of Branchville
Rotary District 7470 – Morristown
Rutgers University School of Law – Newark
Rutgers University School of Communication and Information, Brunswick
United Methodist Church – Hackettstown
U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey – Brunswick

Federal and State Host Judges
John Bissell, District Judge
Marie Renee Bumb, District Judge

NEW MEXICO

Local Host Organizations
Albuquerque/Ashgabat Sister Cities Committee
Bridges to Tajikistan (Albuquerque)
Council on International Relations – Santa Fe
Empower International (Phoenix)
Episcopal Church – Santa Fe
Global One to One – Albuquerque
Global Ties Albuquerque
Los Alamos and Sarov Sister Cities Initiative  
People to People International – New Mexico Chapter  
Rotary Club – Las Cruces  
Sandia National Laboratory – Albuquerque  
Santa Fe Council on International Relations*  
SRIC Southwest Research and Information Center – Albuquerque  
Thomas Branigan Memorial Library – Las Cruces  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Mexico  
– Albuquerque  
U.S. District Court for the District of New Mexico – Albuquerque  
United Methodist Church – Los Alamos  

**Federal and State Host Judges**  
Carmen Garza, *Magistrate Judge* – Albuquerque  
Leslie C. Smith, *Magistrate Judge* – Albuquerque  
James S. Starzynski, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Albuquerque  

**NEW YORK**  

**National Grantees**  
Appeal of Conscience  
CEC ArtsLink  
Lincoln Center Theater Directors’ Lab  
Linkages of Rochester  

**Local Host Organizations**  
American Association of University Women – Greater Rochester Area  
Albany Law School, Albany  
Albany-Tula Alliance  
American Foreign Policy Council – Albany  
American Dance Festival – New York City  
Brooklyn College Library – Brooklyn  
Buffalo-Niagara World Connect  
Buffalo-Tyler Sister Cities, Inc  
CDS International, Inc. – New York City  
CEC ArtsLink – New York City  
Cornell University – Ithaca  
Criminal Court for the Seventh Judicial District – Rochester  
Doctors of the World-USA – New York City  
Episcopal Church – East Aurora – Aurora  
Friendship Force of Hudson Valley  
Friendship Force – Long Island  
Friendship Force – Smithtown  
Greater Rochester Area Branch of American Association of University Women  
Hofstra University School of Law – Hampstead
International Institute of Buffalo
International Center of the Capital Region – Albany
International Center of Syracuse
International Film Seminars, Inc. – New York City
International Institute of Buffalo
Irondequoit-Poltava Sister Cities – Rochester
League of Women Voters – Oneonta Area
League of Women Voters – Rochester Metropolitan Area
League of Women Voters – Saratoga County
Lincoln Center Directors’ Lab – New York City
Linkages of Rochester, Inc.
Multicultural Resource Center – Binghamton
Mercy College, Dobbs Ferry
New York State Unified Court System, Office of Court Administration
Newcomb Central School District
Nixon Peabody, LLP – New York City
Peace Links – Interlaken
Public Relations Kingsborough Community College – Brooklyn
Rochester Global Connections
Rotary Club District 7120 – New York City
Rotary Club District 7190 – New York City
Rotary Club District 7230 – New York City
Rotary Club – Fayetteville-Manlius
Rotary Club – Grand Island
Rotary Club – Liberty
Rotary Club – Locust Valley
Rotary Club – Monticello
Rotary Club – Riverdale
Rotary Club – Shenendehowa
Rotary Club – Shawangunk Ridge
Saratoga Springs Public Library
Saratoga Springs/Chekhov Sister City International, Inc
State University of New York Plattsburgh
Thelonious Monk Institute of Jazz
Town of Johnsburg Library
United Methodist Church – Bellport
United Methodist Church – Davenport
United Methodist Church – Rochester
United Methodist Church – Wassaic
United Methodist Church – Willsboro
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York
U.S. Court of International Trade – New York City
Yeshiva University School of Law – New York City
Western New York/Novgorod Rule of Law Partnership Committee
Federal and State Host Judges
Jonathan Feldman, *Magistrate* Judge, Rochester
Frank LaBuda, *County Court Judge and Surrogate* – Monticello
George Lowe, *Magistrate Judge*
Norman Mordue, *District Judge* – Syracuse
Frederick Scullin, *District Judge* – Syracuse
Joanna Seybert, *District Judge* – New York City
Charles Sifton, *District Judge* – New York City
Randolph Treece, *Magistrate Judge* – Syracuse
Evan Wallach, *Circuit Judge* – New York City

NORTH CAROLINA

National Grantees
Dewitt Wallace Center for Media and Democracy at Duke University
FHI 360 (formerly Academy of Educational Development of Washington, DC)
International Focus (formerly International Affairs Council of North Carolina/Research Triangle)
International House of Charlotte
North Carolina Secretary of State’s Office
University of North Carolina/PEN – Chapel Hill

Local Host Organizations
Addiction Recovery Institute – Tyron
American Dance Festival – Durham
American Foreign Policy Council – Asheville
Asheville Sister Cities, Inc.
Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, Glendale Springs
The Brown Angel Center – Charlotte
Charlotte Sister Cities
Charlotte Council for International Visitors
DeWitt Wallace Center for Communications and Journalism – Duke University, Durham
Durham-Kostroma Sister Cities Association
Friendship Force – Central North Carolina
Friendship Force – Charlotte
Friendship Force – Greensboro
Friendship Force – Raleigh
Friendship Force – Western North Carolina
Global House – Sanford
Health Equity Inc. – Chapel Hill
Hendersonville Sister Cities, Inc. – Hendersonville
Institute for Global Collaboration, Forsyth Technical Community College – Winston-Salem
International Focus (formerly International Affairs Council of North Carolina/Research Triangle) – Raleigh
International House of Charlotte
League of Women Voters – Charlotte-Mecklenberg
League of Women Voters – Henderson County
National Peace Foundation – Asheville
North Carolina-Moldova Bilateral Partnership – Raleigh
People for World Change
Rotary Club – Charlotte East
Rotary Club – Franklin
Rotary Club – Greensboro
Rotary Club – Guilford
Rotary Club – Hickory
Rotary Club – Marion
Rotary Club – Statesville
Rotary Club of Summit
Rotary District 7670, Ashville
SCIAN-Institute for Scientific Policy Analysis – Raleigh
Sister Cities of Durham
Stafford Institute (formerly U.S.-Russia Mayor to Mayor Program)
United Methodist Church – Clayton
United Methodist Church – Greensboro
United Methodist Church – Lexington
United Methodist Church – Rutherfordton
United Methodist Church – Wilkesboro
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures
Western North Carolina Peacekeepers – Rocky Mountain

Federal and State Host Judges
Allyson Kay Duncan, Circuit Judge – Charlotte
Paul Newby, Supreme Court Justice – Raleigh

NORTH DAKOTA

Local Host Organizations
Bismarck State College, Bismarck
Dacotah Territory International Visitor Program, Rapid City
Minot Area Council for International Visitors – Minot
North Dakota State College of Science – Wahpeton
Peace Lutheran and Our Savior’s Lutheran Churches – Moorhead

Federal and State Host Judges
Myron Bright, Circuit Judge – Fargo
Karen Klein, Magistrate Judge – Fargo

OHIO

National Grantee
Council of International Programs USA (CIP/USA)
Margaret Mead Film and Video Festival
Future of Russia Foundation

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – Cleveland
American Foreign Policy Council – Columbus
American Foreign Policy Council – Lakewood
Athens Center for Film and Video – Athens
Cincinnati-Kharkiv Sister City Partnership
Cincinnati-Ukraine Partnership
Cleveland Council on World Affairs
Cleveland International Program
Cleveland State University College of Law
Columbus International Programs
Council of International Programs USA (CIP/USA) – Cleveland
Friendship Force – Dayton
Friendship Force – Greater Cincinnati
Friendship Force – Northeast Ohio
Great Lakes Consortium for International Training and
Development (Toledo)
Global Cincinnati
Global Ties Akron
Greater Cincinnati World Affairs Council
International Visitors Council – Columbus
International Visitors Council – Greater Cincinnati
League of Women Voters – Clermont County
League of Women Voters – Columbus
League of Women Voters – the Greater Dayton Area
Ohio Employee Ownership Center – Kent
Rotary Club – Dublin-Worthington
Rotary Club – Boardman
Rotary Club – Cincinnati
Rotary Club – Wooster
Rotary District 6600 – Toledo
Sister Cities Committee, Toledo Sister Cities International
Supreme Court of Ohio
United Methodist Church – Akron
United Methodist Church – Chesterhill
United Methodist Church – Cincinnati
United Methodist Church – Lisbon
United Methodist Church – Wapakoneta
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio – Akron
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio – Akron
Wright State University – Fairborn

Federal and State Host Judges
Christopher Boyko, *District Judge* – Cleveland
Paul Matia, *District Judge* – Cleveland
Dan A. Polster, *District Judge* – Cleveland
Edmund A. Sargus, *District Judge* – Columbus
Jack Zouhary, *District Judge* – Toledo

OKLAHOMA

National Grantees
Rotary Club – Oklahoma City

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Tahlequah
City of Enid
Friendship Force – Oklahoma
Habitat for Humanity – Tahlequah
International Visitors Committee – Oklahoma City
League of Women Voters – Bartlesville
National Peace Foundation – Oklahoma City
Oklahoma Supreme Court, Oklahoma City
Redlands Community College – El Reno
Rotary Club – Guymon
Rotary Club – Oklahoma City
Rotary Club – Tahlequah
Rotary District 6110 – Tulsa
Southeastern Public Library System of Oklahoma
Tulsa Global Alliance
United Methodist Church – Oklahoma City
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs – Tulsa
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma
University of Oklahoma International Programs Center – Norman
Federal and State Host Judges
Stephen Friot, District Judge – Oklahoma City
Robert Henry, former District Judge – Oklahoma City
Vicki Miles-LaGrange, District Judge – Oklahoma City
Ronald White, District Judge – Oklahoma City
Suzanne Mitchell, Federal Magistrate Judge – Oklahoma City

OREGON

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Beaverton Branch
Blooming Hill Vineyard – Cornelius
Clackamas Community College – Oregon City
Corvallis Sister Cities Association
Eugene-Irkutsk Sister City Committee – Eugene
Grants Pass Sister City Committee – Grants Pass
League of Women Voters – Lane County
League of Women Voters – Portland
League of Women Voters – Marion-Polk Counties
Oregon Justice Resource Center, Portland
Oregon Law Commission – Salem
Oregon/Sakhalin Rule of Law Partnership Committee
Roseburg Area Zonta Club – Roseburg
Rotary Club – Beaverton
Rotary Club – Eugene Emerald
Rotary Club – Kendallville
Rotary Club – Lewis River
Rotary Club – Wallowa County
Tigard Breakfast Rotary Club – Beaverton
Umpqua Community College (Roseburg)
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit – Portland
U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon – Portland
World Affairs Council – Oregon – Portland

Federal and State Host Judges
Michael R. Hogan, District Judge – Portland
Diarmuid F. O’Scannlain, Circuit Judge – Portland

PENNSYLVANIA

National Grantees
Keystone Human Services International
Magee Womancare International
Russian Ministry Network of the Episcopal Church
West Chester University Poetry Center
Local Host Organizations

Allegheny College
Alvernia College, Nursing Department (NRC 010) – Reading
American Institute of Finance and Technology – Bryn Mawr
American Foreign Policy Council – Lancaster
American Foreign Policy Council – Paoli
American Foreign Policy Council – Philadelphia
American Foreign Policy Council – Pittsburgh
Citizen Diplomacy International of Philadelphia
Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures at the University of Pennsylvania
Friendship Force – Greater Harrisburg
Global Pittsburgh
Keyoke Human Services International
Magee Womancare International – Pittsburgh
Media Sunrisers Rotary Club, Pittsburg
Mid-Atlantic Russia Business Council – Philadelphia
Northampton Community College – Bethlehem
Overseas Strategic Consulting, Ltd – Philadelphia
Pacific Environment
Peace Links – Harrisburg
PEHT – Pittsburgh
Pennsylvania College of Technology – Williamsport
Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency – Harrisburg
Pennsylvania State University College of Agricultural Sciences, International Programs – University Park
Rotary Club – Altoona
Rotary Club – Blue Bell
Rotary Club – Emmaus
Rotary Club – Greenville
Rotary Club – Meadville
Rotary Club – Redding
State College Rotary Evening Club – State College
Ukrainian Cultural and Humanitarian Institute
Ukrainian Federation of America – Carnegie
U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania – Philadelphia
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania – Philadelphia
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania – Philadelphia
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania Historical Society – Philadelphia
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania – Allentown
West Chester University Poetry Center – West Chester
West Reading-Wyomissing Rotary Club
World Affairs Council – Harrisburg
World Affairs Council – Greater Reading

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Harvey Bartle, III, *District Judge* – Philadelphia
Richard Fehling, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Philadelphia
D. Brooks Smith, *Circuit Judge* – University Park

**RHODE ISLAND**

**Local Host Organizations**
Brown University Library – Providence
Cape Cod and the Islands and Rhode Island Rotary Club
Roger Williams University, Justice System Training & Research Institute, School of Justice Studies – Bristol
Rotary Club – Newport
Rotary Club – Scituate
Rotary International District 7950 – Providence
U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island – Providence
World Affairs Council – Rhode Island – Providence

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Ernest Torres, *District Judge* – Providence

**SOUTH CAROLINA**

**Local Host Organizations**
American Association of University Women – Aiken Branch
Clemson University
Charleston Council for International Visitors – Charleston
Friendship Force – Florence
League of Women Voters – Bluffton Area
National District Attorneys Association
National Peace Foundation – Columbia
Palmetto Council for International Visitors – Columbia
Richland School District Two – Columbia
Rotary Club – Columbia
Rotary Club – Hilton Head Island
Rotary Club – East Spartanburg
Soonch
United Methodist Church – Spartanburg
Walker Institute for International and Area Studies, University of South Carolina – Columbia
SOUTH DAKOTA

Local Host Organizations
Dacotah Territory International Visitor Program
Sioux Falls Downtown Rotary
Sioux Falls Promise, Greater Sioux Falls Alliance for Youth
South Dakota World Affairs Council
U.S. District Court for the District of South Dakota

Federal and State Host Judges
Charles B. Kornmann, District Judge – Aberdeen
Karen Schreier, District Judge – Sioux Falls

TENNESSEE

National Grantees
Nashville Health Care Council – Nashville
Oak Ridge Sister City Support Organization – Oak Ridge

Local Host Organizations
Blount County Sister City Organization
Chattanooga-Nizhni Tagil Sister City Committee- Department of Public Works
Friendship Force – Knoxville
Friendship Force – Memphis
Friendship Force – Southcentral Tennessee
Memphis Council for International Visitors
Nashville Downtown Rotary
Nashville Health Care Council
National Peace Foundation – Johnson City
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Oak Ridge Sister City Support Organization
Rotary Club – Cookeville Breakfast
Rotary Club – Memphis
Rotary District 6780 – Chattanooga
Sister City Association – Chattanooga
Southwest Tennessee Community College
Tullahoma Noon Rotary Club
United Methodist Church – Alcoa
United Methodist Church – Memphis
United Methodist Church – Springfield
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, Nashville
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Tennessee – Nashville
U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee – Nashville
University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture International Programs – Knoxville
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
Vanderbilt University Public Affairs Office – Nashville

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Jennie D. Latta, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Jackson
Jon Phipps McCalla, *District Judge* – Memphis
George Paine, *Bankruptcy Judge* – Nashville
Thomas A. Varlan, *District Judge* – Knoxville
Thomas A. Wiseman, Jr., *District Judge* – Nashville

**TEXAS**

**National Grantees**
El Paso Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
United Methodist Church Russia Initiative Program

**Local Host Organizations**
Alamo Colleges, Houston
American Foreign Policy Council – Fort Worth
Baylor College of Medicine Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Research Center – Waco
Carter Blood Care – Dallas
Center for Safe Energy – Austin
CMS Emergency
Dallas Committee for Foreign Visitors
El Paso Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
Episcopal Church – Houston
Episcopal Church – San Angelo
Fayette Memorial Hospital, La Grange
Friends of Ukraine – Longview
Friendship Force – Austin
Global North Texas – Dallas
Houston Baku Sister Cities Association
International Hospitality Council of Austin
J. M. Dawson Institute for Church-State Studies – Baylor University, Waco
Kilgore College Small Business Development Center – Longview
Knowledge Management and Data Resources, Office of Community Outreach, University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston
Lamar University – Beaumont
League of Women Voters of Tyler/Smith County
North Harris College – Houston
Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 – Dallas
Palo Alto College – San Antonio
Panola Community College – Carthage
Peace Links – Austin
Peace Links – Temple
Plano-Ivanovo Sister City Program
Redeemed Ministries – Spring
Richland College – Dallas
Rotary Club – Burleson
Rotary Club – Fredericksburg Morning
Rotary Club – Friendswood
Rotary Club – Frisco Noon
Rotary Club – Grapevine
Rotary Club – Hurst-Euless-Bedford
Rotary Club – McAllen South
Rotary Club – Mid-Cities Pacesetters
Rotary Club – Northwest Austin
Rotary Club – San Antonio North Central
Rotary District 4790
Rotary District 5730
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San Antonio Council for International Visitors
Texas A&M University, Sponsored Student Programs Office
   – College Station
United Methodist Church – Russia Initiative
United Methodist Church – Bonham
United Methodist Church – Carrollton
United Methodist Church – College Station
United Methodist Church – Commerce
United Methodist Church – Dallas
United Methodist Church – Denton
United Methodist Church – Eldorado
United Methodist Church – Forth Worth
United Methodist Church – Highland Village
United Methodist Church – Houston
United Methodist Church – Meridian
United Methodist Church – Orange
United Methodist Church – Saint Jo
United Methodist Church – San Angelo
United Methodist Church – San Antonio
United Methodist Church – Terrell
United Methodist Church – Tomball
United Methodist Church – Uvalde
University of Texas at Austin
World Affairs Council – Dallas/Fort Worth
YMCA International Services – Houston
Federal and State Host Judges
Leif M. Clark, Bankruptcy Judge – Austin
Ricardo H. Hinojosa, District Judge – Corpus Christi
Frank Montalvo, District Judge – Austin

UTAH

National Grantees
International Hosting
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Local Host Organizations
Brigham Young University Center for Law and Religion Studies
Church of the Latter Day Saints – Salt Lake City
Firefly, Inc., North Salt Lake
Friendship Force of Utah, Salt Lake City
International Hosting
Izhevsk-Salt Lake City Partnership
Dawson Institute for Church-State Studies – Baylor University
Peace Links – Salt Lake City
Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce
Salt Lake City Community College
Sundance Institute – Park City
Tooele Sister Cities, Inc. – Tooele County
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit – Salt Lake City
U.S. District Court for the District of Utah – Salt Lake City
Utah Council for Citizen Diplomacy – Salt Lake City
Utah State Legislature – Salt Lake City
Utah State University, Center for Persons with Disabilities – Logan
Utah Valley University, Office of International Affairs & Diplomacy – Orem

Federal and State Host Judges
Dee V. Benson, District Judge – Salt Lake City
Leif M. Clark, Bankruptcy Judge
David O. Nuffer, Magistrate Judge – Salt Lake City
VERMONT

National Grantee
International Rule of Law Consortium

Local Host Organizations
Ecologia, Middlebury
Lakenet
Russian American Rule of Law Consortium – Colchester
School of International Studies, St Michael’s College – Colchester
Vermont Council on World Affairs – Burlington
Vermont Karelia Rule of Law Project, Inc. – Colchester
Vermont Law School – South Royalton
Vermont Supreme Court – Montpelier

VIRGINIA

National Grantees
National Center for State Courts
National Council for Traditional Arts
Norfolk Sister City Association
Partners for Community Solutions
Synetic Theater

Local Host Organizations
American Association of University Women – Reston/Herndon Branch
American Foreign Policy Council – Alexandria
Arlington Sister City Association
Arlington Sister City – Ivano-Frankivsk Committee
Center for International Programs – Blacksburg
Eastern Mennonite University Center for Justice and Peacebuilding – Harrisonburg
FHI360*, Arlington
Fredericksburg Sister City Association, Inc.
Friendship Force – Central Virginia
Friendship Force – National Capitol Area
James Kent Inn of Court, Virginia Beach
League of Women Voters – South Hampton Roads
National Council for the Traditional Arts
National Peace Foundation – Fairfax
Norfolk Sister City Association, Inc.
Partners for Community Solutions, Christiansburg
Peace Links – Roanoke
Peace Links – Williamsburg
Rotary Club – Alexandria and Mount Vernon
Rotary Club – Bailey’s Crossroads
Rotary Club – Blacksburg
Rotary Club – Falls Church
Rotary Club – James City County
Rotary Club – Leesburg
Rotary Club – Lynchburg
Rotary Club – Rappahannock
Rotary Club – Richmond
Rotary Club – Stafford
Rotary Club – Vienna
Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center at George Mason University – Fairfax
Town of Leesburg, Virginia
United Methodist Church – Springfield
United Methodist Church – Fulks Run
Virginia Commonwealth University - L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs, Richmond
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond
World Music Folklife Center – Galax
Zonta Club – Alexandria

Federal and State Host Judges
Thomas Selby Ellis III, District Judge – Alexandria
Henry Coke Morgan, Jr., District Judge – Alexandria
Anthony J. Trenga, District Judge – Alexandria

WASHINGTON

National Grantees
Battelle Memorial Institute/Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
World Affairs Council of Seattle

Local Host Organizations
Battelle- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Blooming Hill Vineyard
Clark College – Vancouver
Community Colleges of Spokane
EarthCorps, Seattle
Episcopal Church – Pasco
Foundation for Russian American Economic Cooperation – Seattle
Friendship Force of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho
Global Education Service – Seattle
Governor’s Interagency Committee of State-Employed Women (ICSEW) – Seattle
League of Women Voters – Washington
Lower Columbia College – Longview
Nakhodka Sister City – Bellingham
Federal and State Host Judges
John C. Coughenour, District Judge, Seattle

WEST VIRGINIA

Local Host Organizations
Center for International Understanding, Inc – Princeton
Friendship Force – Charleston
Grapevine Rotary Club – Martinsburg
Rotary Club – Cheat Lake
Rotary Club – Morgantown
Rotary Club – Morgantown North
Shepherd College, Robert C. Byrd Center for Legislative Studies
United Methodist Church – Fairmont
United Methodist Church – Summersville
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia
– Bluefield

Federal, District, and State Host Judges
Omar J. Aboulhosn, Federal Magistrate Judge – Bluefield
David Faber, District Judge – Charleston
Ronald G. Pearson, Bankruptcy Judge – Charleston
Wisconsin

National Grantees
Northcentral Technical College
World Services of La Crosse, Inc

Local Host Organizations
American Foreign Policy Council – LaCrosse
American Foreign Policy Council – Madison
Amigos de Milwaukee Rotary Club
Appleton Area School District, Volunteer Services
American Association of University Women – LaCrosse Chapter
Bellin Health System (AIHA) – Green Bay
Center for International Education, St. Norbert College – De Pere
Center for International Understanding, Inc. – Milwaukee
Economic Development Corp of Manitowoc County Foundation
Fox Cities – Kurgan Sister Cities Program, Inc. – Appleton
Fox Valley Technical College – Oshkosh
Friends of Chernobyl Centers, U.S. (FOCCUS)
Friendship Force – Greater Milwaukee
Friendship Force – Madison
Greater Green Bay YMCA
Green Bay West Rotary Club
Heart of Wisconsin Business Alliance – Wisconsin Rapids
Hedberg Public Library – Janesville
Hudson Daybreak Rotary Club – Hudson
Institute of World Affairs, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
International Crane Foundation – Baraboo
International Institute of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
Jackson-Monroe-Vernon County Leadership Program
La Crosse Dubna Friendship Association
League of Women Voters – Door County
League of Women Voters – La Crosse Area
League of Women Voters – Milwaukee County
Madison Area Technical College
Marquette University College of Nursing – Milwaukee
Marshfield Rotary Noon Club, Marshfield
National Peace Foundation – Madison
New London Medical Center – New London
Northcentral Technical College – Wisconsin
Portage County Health and Human Services
Rotary Club – Beloit
Rotary Club – Hudson
Rotary Club – La Crosse
Rotary Club – Madison
Rotary Club – Milwaukee
Rotary Club – Oconomowoc
RUS Global Initiatives
Shawano Public Health (AIHA) – Shawano
Sigurd Olson Environment Institute – Northland College
Sparta Area School District
Stevens Point-Rostov Veliky Sister City Project
ThedaCare – Shawano
United Methodist Church – Hudson
United Methodist Church – Neenah
University of Wisconsin – Barron County
University of Wisconsin Extension – Juneau County
University of Wisconsin – Marathon County
University of Wisconsin at Marinette, Continuing Ed/Intl Students
University of Wisconsin – Marshfield/Wood County
University of Wisconsin – Richland
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin
Vernon County Office, Family and Children’s Center
Western Technical College – La Crosse
World Services of La Crosse, Inc

**Federal and State Host Judges**
Charles N. Clevert, *District Judge* – Milwaukee
Barbara Crabb, *District Judge* – Racine
Patricia Gorence, *Magistrate Judge* – Milwaukee
Rudolph Randa, *District Judge* – Milwaukee

**WYOMING**

**National Grantee**
Vista360°, Inc. – Jackson

**Local Host Organizations**
Brown, Drew & Massey, LLP – Casper
Friendship Force – Cheyenne
Rotary Club – Kemmerer
Vista 360°, Inc. – Jackson
U.S. District Court for the District of Wyoming – Casper
Wyoming Global Leadership Exchange – Jackson

**Federal and State Host Judges**
William F. Downes, *District Judge* – Casper
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Open World Delegations by Date – CY2019
## 2019 Program Calendar

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