

HOSTELLING INTERNATIONAL-USA 2012 TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Please fill out and sign this application form, attach to your proposal, and mail or email your application to the Los Angeles Council of HI-USA. Applications for the Travel Grant are accepted from January 1 - March 15, 2012. All questions regarding the Travel Grant should be directed to: (310) 393-6263.

Mailing Address: HI-USA Travel Grant, 1434 Second Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Email Address: programs@lahostels.org

Last Name	First	Middle Initial	Phone Number
Street Address	City	State	Zip code
Email Address			
Are you currently a member of Hostelling International?		YES	NO
Will you take this trip if you do not receive this grant?		YES	NO
Date of Birth	Age		
Travel Destination(s)	Estimated Departure Date	Estimated Return Date	
Parent, Guardian or Nearest Relative	Phone Number		
Street Address	City	State	Zip code
Brief summary of travel plans (ATTACH DETAILED PROPOSAL TO THIS APPLICATION FORM)			
<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>			
<p><i>Should I be named the recipient of the 2012 HI-USA Travel Grant, I promise to contact the Los Angeles Council of HI-USA immediately upon my return, and to submit my presentation within 90 days or return the grant money.</i></p>			
Signature:			Date:



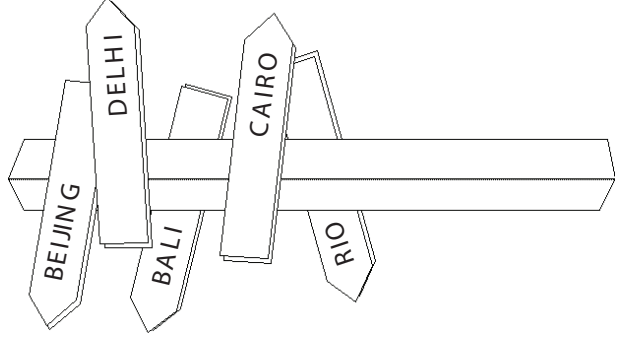
HI-USA TRAVEL GRANT

If you are 17-26,

HI-USA can help

make your travel dreams

come true!



"The man who goes alone can start today, but he who travels with another must wait till that other is ready."
Henry David Thoreau

HI-USA is a nonprofit organization promoting world understanding since 1934

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ABOUT THE TRAVEL GRANT

The Los Angeles Council of Hostelling International USA presents an annual Travel Grant in the amount of \$1,000 to an individual who is just beginning his or her travel experiences in life. It is the goal of the Los Angeles Council to encourage and promote the pursuit of world exploration and experiential learning (i.e. learning from direct life experiences) through this grant. The applicant's abilities to learn from his or her unique real-world experiences and to share these experiences with HI-USA members upon returning from the trip play a large part in the selection process.

The \$1,000 grant will be split into two payments: an initial \$500 payment prior to departure, and the remaining \$500 upon the recipient's return and submission of his or her completed project.



HOW TO APPLY

If you are planning a unique trip after May 1, 2012 that goes beyond the regular, and ventures into the realm of cultural exploration, send HI-USA a proposal and a completed application form.

In considering your proposal, our committee welcomes art, film, photography, and writing as appropriate mediums to convey your experiences. We want the project you submit upon your return to illustrate what you have

learned about other countries and cultures, and to inspire others to travel and learn more about the world and its people.

In your proposal, be sure to give us specific details about your travel plans: 1) When and where will the trip take place; 2) What is your itinerary and how long will you be gone; 3) Do you have previous hostelling or travel experience (please explain); 4) When will you return to Los Angeles; 5) What are your goals for the trip (Think in terms of what you will be learning through this real-world, hands-on adventure); 6) How will this trip broaden your personal and/or professional goals; 7) How do you plan to communicate with the Los Angeles Council while traveling (email, blog, etc.) and how often; and 8) How do you plan to share your experiences with HI-USA and its members upon your return. Your typewritten proposal should be at least two pages long.

Completed applications for the Travel Grant are accepted from January 1 - March 15, 2012. The selection committee will review all applications and announce the recipient of the grant by April 30, 2012. If selected, you must submit your final material/project within 90 days of the return from your travels for publication in the Los Angeles Council's newsletter, *The Wanderer*, and/or on the Council's website.

Completed applications and proposals can be mailed or emailed to the Los Angeles Council of HI-USA. All questions regarding the Travel Grant should be directed to the Council offices at (310) 393-6263.

GRANT GUIDELINES

To be considered, candidates must:

- Be between the ages of 17-26 and live within the greater Los Angeles area.
(Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties)
- Use at least one of the approved media to communicate his/her experiences (art, photography, film, and/or writing)
- Submit to HI-USA a proposal and application describing the medium(s) that will best demonstrate the achievement of his/her personal goals
- Complete proposed travel after May 1, 2012
- If selected, provide periodic updates on his/her travels throughout the trip via email, blog, or other media for publication in Council print and electronic media
- If selected, submit final material within 90 days of returning from travel for publication in the Council's newsletter and on its website

View past recipient projects on our website, lahostels.org

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED

JANUARY 1 - MARCH 15, 2012

**“TO HELP ALL,
especially the young,
gain a greater understanding
of the world
and its people
THROUGH HOSTELLING,”**

HI-USA

Mission Statement