

## **Northwest Lions Leadership Institute**

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Canadian students were unable to attend the Post Falls Institute because of the closed border. In July the steering committee approved hosting a second Institute at our original planned location, Harrison Hot Springs. This will target Canadian students with US students also allowed to enroll. So far 19 students have completed their application and paid their deposit. The new date for the Institute is May 5-8, 2022.

We are very grateful for the MD19 Service and Leadership Foundation for their financial support in the way of Stipends, supplementing financially to have the institute in BC and supporting Service grants.

### **Service Grants:**

We support 2 service grants which the graduates of NWLLI submit for. From the 2021 Institute in Post Falls, 2 grants were awarded. For the NWLLI 2022, we will also be able to award 2 grants to graduates. The participants are encouraged to come up with proposals for the grants that will benefit their communities. They submit proposals, financing, completion reports.

### **Student Stipends:**

We are able to offer each student a \$200 stipend to offset the cost of the institute, which brings it to \$150 per person. We encourage clubs to send members and supplement the additional cost.

### **The value of Leadership training**

At the center of the MD19 Strategic Plan's redistricting plan is the need for more quality leaders in each district. Investment in our premier leadership training sets a high bar for our district leaders to attend this training. The price is a bargain, the faculty top notch, and networking unsurpassed, and the skills developed set the MD up for a strong leadership bench in the future.

### **Future plans:**

The NWLLI will be offered in Post Falls, Idaho May 4-8, 2023 at Ross Point Conference Center, same location as 2021, which was very well received. Put the date on your calendars and encourage your clubs to send participants. Anyone who has attended can attest to the quality of the institute.