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The Latest News & Information for the Reno 2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

INTERESTED IN HOSTING A FUTURE FORUM?

BUD WAHL, PLANNING COMMITTEE SECRETARY

The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum reaches out to all parts of North America every year in an effort to identify cities that might be interested in showcasing their area by hosting a future Forum. A seminar is held during each Forum that explains the entire bidding procedure. This year, that seminar will be held in the Silver Baron C seminar room on Friday morning at 8:30 a.m.-9:40 a.m. A bid package will be made available to all attending the seminar that includes a flash drive containing all the necessary information to complete a Forum bid.

Hosting a Forum requires the Host City to adequately meet the educational needs of the Forum and be a comfortable, affordable environment for the attendees. This attracts an average attendance of approximately 2,000. The Single or Multiple District must work closely with the local Visitor's Bureau throughout the process. In fact, once the Lions of the area decide to submit a bid, the local Visitor's Bureau typically completes most of the work on the bid.

There are six main areas of a bid that need consideration: hotels, convention facilities, catering, transportation, audio/visual and local Lions volunteers. The Forum is planned and organized by the Forum Planning Committee. However, there is a Host Committee, made up of area Lions, which plays a major role in the success of the Forum. Hosting a USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is an exciting experience.

The economic impact a Forum has on a city and the surrounding area is long lasting. Pre and post tours are often made available so attendees can enjoy the local attractions the Host City has to offer.

Now is the time to begin the process for hosting a future Forum. The process begins with the support of the Council of Governors. If your Council of Governors is in favor of exploring the possibilities further, you need to come to Reno and you need to attend the seminar on Friday morning.

If you have any questions regarding hosting a future Forum, prior to the Reno Forum, please feel free to contact Forum Secretary Bud Wahl at pidbud@yahoo.com.



Future Host Cities

2024 Louisville, Kentucky2025 Atlantic City, New Jersey2026 Memphis, Tennessee2027 TBD at the Reno Forum

A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL CHAIR - JAMA WAHL



The Boston
International
Convention was an
AWESOME experience!
Many Lions dropped by
the Reno Forum
Promotion Booth while
visiting the convention
center. Thank you for
your time, questions
and general interest in

attending the Reno Forum, even better was that many of you said you were already registered for Reno. PDG Linda Wagner-Griffin, Host Chair for Reno, and her team did a great job at the booth, thank you!

Looking at the calendar, there are things coming up that will help you prepare for the Forum in September.

The app is being updated. It will have the latest information about seminars, general sessions and all of the happenings at the Forum available by early to mid-August.

The website www.lionsform.org is being updated regularly. Currently, you will find a map of downtown Reno that shows The Row, where all three hotels are located; the Reno Ballroom, where the exhibits, the Forum store and a large seminar room will be found; and The Reno Event Center, where all the general sessions will be held. The seminars will be listed, as well as special events such as the Strides Walk and Lions Speed Learning event.

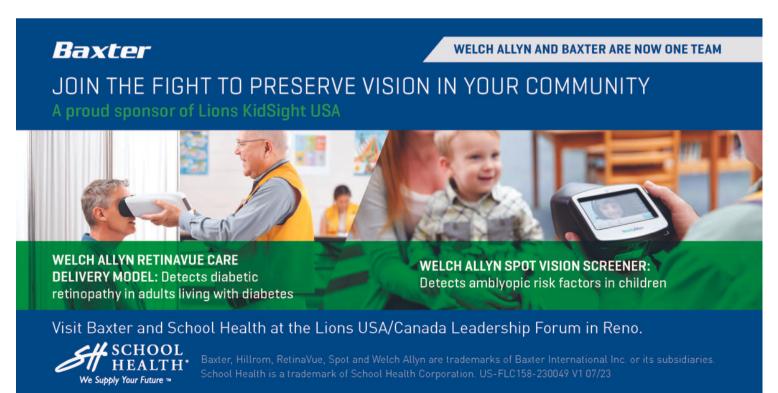
The price of registration goes up on Aug. 1, 2023. Take time now to make plans for a Great Forum Experience in Reno!

We want to see you Reno!

Up and Away with Leadership

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Visit our booth to learn about special promotions exclusively for USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum attendees.

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