

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES



CSG West serves as an extension of legislative staff through research, policy analysis, and providing resource connections. Please feel free to call upon [CSG WEST STAFF](#) if we can be of any assistance. You can reach us at csgw@csg.org or (916) 553-4423.



The CSG [STATE RECOVERY RESOURCE CENTER](#) provides ongoing analysis of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, which has an impact on states, both in their budgets and in the specific policies that they enact. The Center also provides other resources that state leaders can use to inform state economic and civic recovery.



The [BOOK OF THE STATES](#) is a state government encyclopedia featuring easy-to-read summaries, tables, and charts which serves as an invaluable reference tool that has withstood the test of time.



The [COVID19 RESOURCES FOR STATE LEADERS SITE](#) provides up-to-date information on the impacts and responses by states to the COVID19 pandemic. This includes a compilation of state executive orders, reopening plans, date and prediction models, vaccination plans, and other resources.



The [CENTER OF INNOVATION](#) provides objective, in-depth analysis and technical assistance on key issues facing the states, including occupational licensing, workforce development, election policy, and health and human services policy.



The [STATE AND LOCAL LEGAL CENTER](#) is a resource to state and local governments on the U.S. Supreme Court. Among other things, it files amicus curiae briefs in support of state and local governments in the U.S. Supreme Court. CSG is a member of the State and Local Legal Center.



The [NATIONAL CENTER FOR INTERSTATE COMPACTS](#) assists states in developing interstate compacts, promoting multi-state problem solving. Search the more than 200 different interstate compacts in effect today by state, name, or year.



The [JUSTICE CENTER](#) serves to promote effective, data-driven practices and solutions where the criminal justice system intersects with other disciplines such as public health and education.

CSG West is one of 4 regions of the Council of State Governments that form part of a national community of states. CSG's regional and national structure invites focused participation from members on a more intimate, regional level while also providing a national platform to exchange ideas and information, access a myriad of national policy research, and to stay abreast of national trends and developments in Washington, D.C. impacting state governments.

2022 PROGRAMS & EVENTS



The [BORDER LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE](#) convenes legislators from the ten U.S. and Mexico border states for ongoing dialogue to strengthen bilateral cooperation and develop solutions to shared challenges along the border.
April 28-30 | Riverside, CA



Join us for the [CSG WEST ANNUAL MEETING](#) in Boise, Idaho, as we celebrate 75 years of conversation and regional collaboration. Engage regionally and nationally on relevant topics, connect and development relationships with colleagues, and learn from experts. All policy committees, working groups, and leadership will convene at the Annual Meeting.
July 19-22 | Boise, ID



The [LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON RIVER GOVERNANCE](#), which is comprised of legislators from the four Columbia River basin states of Idaho, Oregon, Montana, and Washington, facilitates discussion on the common challenges of managing water resources in the basin. Members are appointed by legislative leaders.
August 9-11 | Boardman, OR

COLORADO RIVER FORUM



The [COLORADO RIVER FORUM](#) provides an opportunity for state legislators to connect and address pressing issues and opportunities of this important river system to the Western region. Appointed members convene annually to exchange information and identify basin-wide strategies.
Fall/Winter 2022 | Location TBD



The [HENRY TOLL FELLOWSHIP](#) is one of the nation's premier leadership development programs for state government officials. Each year, the Toll Fellowship brings 48 of the nation's top officials from all three branches of state government for an intensive five-day, "leadership boot camp."
August 26-30 | Lexington, KY



The [CSG NATIONAL CONFERENCE](#), which brings together state elected and appointed officials from across the country, will convene December 7-10 in Honolulu, Hawaii. The Conference will provide a space for policymakers engage on a plethora of policy issues facing the country.
Dec. 7-10 | Honolulu, HI



The [WESTERN LEGISLATIVE ACADEMY](#) is an intensive professional development program designed to help newer legislators become more effective leaders and to strengthen legislative institutions. Admission to the program is by application and the selection process is competitive.
Dec. 13-16 | Colorado Springs, CO



[WESTRAIN](#) provides in-state training for legislators and staff on a variety of professional development topics. Expert trainers offer nonpartisan perspectives and hands-on instruction in topic areas such as communication, time management, negotiation and consensus-building, media relations, conflict resolution, and ethics. Training is available upon request and with approval of legislative leaders.



Through the [LEGISLATIVE EXCHANGE SERIES](#), legislators and legislative staff can participate in virtual gatherings focused on training and policy issues affecting the Western region. Complimenting the work of the policy committees and programs, the series provides insightful and interactive sessions.