



International Visitor Leadership Program

What is the IVLP?

The International Visitor Leadership Program brings participants to the United States from all over the world each year to meet and confer with their professional counterparts and to experience the U.S. firsthand. The visitors, who are current or potential leaders in government, politics, the media, education, and other fields, are selected by our embassies overseas. More than 200 current and former Heads of State, 1,500 cabinet-level ministers, and many other distinguished world leaders in government and the private sector have participated in the International Visitor Leadership Program.

Our Mission

To promote international understanding between Northern California and our overseas partners.

Citizen Diplomacy

Citizen diplomacy is the idea that the individual citizen has the right, even the responsibility, to help shape United States foreign relations "one handshake at a time."

By opening their homes, offices and schools to foreign leaders participating in the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) and other exchanges, citizen diplomats foster international understanding and cooperation, constructive economic connections and peaceful interaction.

Home Hospitality

Home Hospitality provides visiting international professionals the opportunity to spend a casual evening in the home of one of our members. Members are in turn able to learn about other cultures and develop lasting friendships with visitors. This is an important component of the program, as it allows visitors to become familiar with our community, way of life, and ideas. Hosts pick up their guests at the hotel and give them a ride back at the end of the evening. Dinners may be a backyard BBQ, potluck supper with neighbors and friends, or a formal sit-down dinner – it's your choice. Many hosts invite friends who share an interest in the visitor's profession or home country. Other fun options for hospitality include inviting visitors to cultural or sporting events taking place in the community.

Volunteer Opportunities & Membership Benefits

Opportunities to invite current and emerging foreign leaders to your home • The chance to share your opinions and gain insights into other viewpoints with informed professionals from overseas • Subscription to e-newsletters and occasional mailings • Invitations to unique international events such as the annual Consular Corps Luncheon • Invitations to exclusive members-only receptions with international visitors • The reward of knowing that you personally are helping to strengthen relations between the United States and other nations

YES! I would like to become a FREE member of the NCWTC's International Visitor Program.

Name _____ Company _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

I would like to participate in Home Hospitality.

I would like to serve as a Professional Resource for meetings.

Please fax form to (916) 443-2672 or mail to NCWTC, One Capitol Mall, Sacramento CA 95814.