



USMSCA PRESIDENT'S LETTER

DECEMBER, 2011

Dear members and supporters of the United States Mexico Sister Cities Association (USMSCA). On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It is that time of year to share our love and blessings no matter what our personal denomination and belief is.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some of our accomplishments this year aimed to better serve the needs of our members.

1) We have implemented quarterly newsletters again to share with you what other sister cities are doing to foster global citizenship.

2) Increased the amount of money in our scholarship program to benefit high school and college students. From \$3000 to \$6000.

I encourage you to send the scholarship information to your sister city and local schools for distribution to encourage students to apply. You have till January, 15, 2012 to file your applications. Go on to our web site and download the forms and follow the instructions.

www.usmsca.org

Mark your calendars for March, 2-4, 2012. The Culver City Sister City will be hosting the 49th annual US/Mexico Sister Cities Association National Convention in their beautiful and historical city (The Heart of Screenland). They are planning a star studded program focusing on our youth, the future leaders of the sister city movement, informative workshops, cultural, and educational programs. Invite your Mexico sister city delegates to also attend. They are offering early bird registration discounts for registrations prior to January, 15, 2012. All of the information and registration forms are on our web site.

Looking forward to meeting you in Culver City and hearing from you how we can make the USMSCA better meet your sister city needs.

Sincerely,

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