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Notes from the LifeSmarts Team

LifeSmarts Alumni Monthly Update, February 13, 2025

Dear LifeSmarts Alum,

Happy New Year! We're excited for the **2025 National LifeSmarts Championship in Chicago, IL taking place April 24-27, 2025**. As our program continues to grow, we rely on alumni like you to serve as expert volunteers. — and please share this opportunity with fellow alumni, friends or family in the Chicago area!

Program Updates:

1. [Volunteer at the 2025 National LifeSmarts Championship!](#) Join us April 24-27, 2025, in Chicago, IL.
2. **Alumni Coaches:** Some familiar faces will be returning in new roles this year, as a few alumni are stepping up as coaches!
3. **Room Scholarships:** If you are in college or graduate school, [apply for a LifeSmarts Alumni Hotel Room Scholarships here](#).
 - a. LifeSmarts will cover your hotel stay for the nights of Thursday, April 24, Friday, April 25, and Saturday, April 26.
 - b. **Alumni Outing:** A free alumni gathering will take place on the afternoon of April 26.
4. **Growing Competition:** State Champions are being announced now, and we expect more states than ever at this year's National LifeSmarts Championship!
5. **State Coordinator Stipends:** If your state doesn't have a State Coordinator, LifeSmarts is offering \$500 stipends to help get new coordinators started. If you are interested, please contact [Cheryl Varnadoe](#).

We hope to see you in Chicago! In the meantime, we'd love to hear what you're up to! [Click here](#) to share professional or personal milestones and you might be featured on LifeSmarts social media!

Best regards,

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