

PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE TRAINING

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

LCV has responded to an increased demand for candidate training by doubling the number of candidates we're training in person in 2025. See below for photos of our recent graduates! Later this year, we'll be bringing our training to Helena, Montana, Corpus Christi, Texas, Shreveport, Louisiana, and Salt Lake City, Utah.

Alumni News from North Texas

Candidate training alumni Ana Alicia Horn and Jason Thomas won their elections to the board of the **Mansfield Independent School District** in Texas. You can learn more about Ana's experience as a candidate on the LCV blog [here](#).

They were part of the training in Grand Prairie in January 2025, a partnership with Climate Cabinet Action.



Ana Alicia Horn



Jason Thomas



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Other Recent Trainings

So far this year, we've also held or supported trainings in:



Moab, Utah, with
our state affiliate,
Stewardship Utah



Baton Rouge, Louisiana,
with partner organization
the Westside Sponsoring
Committee



Boise, Idaho, with
our state affiliate,
Conservation Voters for
Idaho



PROGRAM BACKGROUND

LCV's Prospective Candidate Training program provides opportunities for short- and long-term candidate development to leaders in the 30+ states in the Conservation Voters Movement. The program helps to grow a diverse pool of local and state candidates and prepares them with tools and resources to effectively represent their communities.

Since 2020, the program has helped recruit environmental champions to run for office and provided training that is welcoming and inclusive to candidates of color, young people, LGBTQ+ people, and women. By bringing high-quality training to dozens of leaders of color each year, we're changing who serves in local elected office and influencing environmental policy.

We have two main ways we train prospective candidates. Our regular **candidate trainings** bring together leaders from across the country in person to learn the skills to lead winning campaigns, and to practice their new skills together during the training.

We also train candidates and potential candidates all year long via our **webinar series**. This allows us to raise the idea of running for office with our large membership base, and to bring in experts from all sectors of our movement to share expertise on messaging, voter engagement, fundraising, and more.

Over the last four years, our **Candidate Academy** has trained more than 150 potential candidates, over half of whom are women and people of color, who have gone on to run in more than 30 total races.

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