



LEADERSHIP

CENTRE COUNTY

Frequently asked questions

WHAT IS LEADERSHIP CENTRE COUNTY (LEADERSHIP)?

LEADERSHIP is a community leadership development organization. Our mission is to educate participants about the needs, available services, strengths, opportunities, and current issues in our community. Our overall goal is to increase the leadership pool within the county with folks who are well informed, networked, and qualified to lead. We accomplish this through two different programs: our Community Leadership Program (CLP) and the Transformational Leader Series (TLS). [Click here to view our Event schedule.](#)

SO DO YOU TEACH LEADERSHIP SKILLS?

Learning is focused on problem-solving, specific information about the community, and ways to make a contribution to the community.

The Community Leadership Program covers the following civic issues:	The Community Leadership Program covers the following leadership development topics:	The Transformational Leader Series addresses such trusteeship topics as:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arts and Culture• Economic Development• Education• Environment the Sustainability• Governance/Politics• Health and Human Resources• History• Law Enforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Balance• Ethics• Group Process• Self-Awareness• Understanding Motives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundraising• Governance• Non-Profit Financials• Leadership• Staff-Board Relations• Strategic Planning• Marketing & Employment Law

WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (CLP)?

Through a succession of 11 program days, held once a month throughout the program year, class participants in the CLP are exposed to the various aspects of the community to include history, health and human services, governance, economy, environment, education, and the arts. In addition, there is the opportunity to cultivate communication skills and dialogue with community leaders. [Click here to see the schedule for the class of 2021.](#)

WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS?

Candidates for participation in the CLP come from all walks of life, all industries, and all backgrounds but share one common trait: they are concerned about the future – of their neighborhoods, schools, environment, community planning, infrastructure, and quality of life in Centre County. They are interested in learning more about the history of the region and how to leave a lasting legacy. They want involvement – but don't yet know how best to do that. [Click here to hear from Leadership alumni on the impact the CLP helped them have in our community.](#)

HOW DO I GET INTO THE CLP?

Class members must first be nominated, either by themselves or by a community member. Nominations for new class members are accepted year-round. In January, nominees are notified and directed to Leadership's website to formally apply. The applications are reviewed by the recruitment and selection committee in May and selected class members are notified of their inclusion in the next class by mid-June. [Click here to nominate a future class member.](#)

HOW MUCH DOES THE CLP COST?

LEADERSHIP has a small operating budget supported primarily by tuition revenue. The tuition for the class of 2021 is \$2,155 if applications are submitted before March 1, 2020. After that, tuition is \$2,255. For the most part, participants' employers cover the cost of tuition; however, in those cases where this is not true, scholarship funding is available to partially offset the tuition. [Contact us](#) to learn more about tuition scholarship opportunities.

WHAT IF I CAN'T COMMIT TO ALL THE PROGRAM DAYS?

The commitment to attend eleven program days/events a year is a huge one for most folks. Participants and their employers must be willing to commit the necessary time to participate in the CLP. Attendance at a mandatory two-day retreat (scheduled on a non-football weekend in the fall) kicks off the year. Thereafter, the program days are held at locations throughout the county on the first Wednesday of the month.

New members sign a commitment form upon acceptance into the class pledging attendance at the mandatory orientation reception event in September and the mandatory fall retreat. Class members are expected to attend all program sessions listed on the schedule. We believe you will reap the benefits!

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS TO MY EMPLOYER?

Employers find a three-fold change in the employees they sponsor in the CLP: an increased leadership skill set, a broadened knowledge of their community, and an expanded network of peers. Employees who participate in the CLP bring these skills back to their organizations as well as extend the reach of their employers via this new network.

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[Contact us](#) at 814-238-5559 if you have more questions or visit leadershipcentrecounty.org to apply today!