

LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON 2008-2009
A Program of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

Earn a “*Master’s Degree*” in Jefferson County

Goals:

The primary goal of Leadership Jefferson is to educate current and future community leaders about Jefferson County’s assets, opportunities, and hurdles, in order to strengthen the sense of community and ensure a prosperous future.

During the 10-month program, participants will develop leadership skills and will hone their leadership abilities through monthly training sessions under a professor in organizations and leadership. Participants will also choose a Community Project from among proposals made by area non-profit organizations.

Participants will meet the movers and shakers in Jefferson County and the State, from government officials to business owners to private citizens, all of whom help make Jefferson County what it is and what it could be. Perhaps more importantly, participants will have great bonding experiences with each other and will build important relationships for the future.

Program:

Leadership Jefferson will meet every month from September through June. Each monthly module will involve interactions with relevant subject matter experts, questions and answers, tours, presentations, panels, discussions, competitions, challenges, intellectual stimulation, and fun.

The program will cover one topic every month:

Leadership Retreat	September 3-4, 2008
Local Government	October 8
Agriculture	November 12
Economic Development	December 10
History and Culture	January 14
State Government	February TBA (2 days in Charleston)
Land Use	March 11
Education	April 8
Tourism and Recreation	May 13
Public Safety and Health	June 10
Graduation Banquet	June TBA

Tuition:

Tuition will be \$825 for members of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce (\$975 for non-members). Tuition will cover lodging at the Retreat and in Charleston, all meals, activity costs, transportation to Charleston, and the graduation banquet for the participant and a guest. A *non-refundable deposit of \$350 (\$400) will be due upon acceptance of the Applicant; the remaining tuition will be due.

Employers/Sponsors:

The participant's sponsor or employer should pay the tuition. More importantly, the sponsor or employer **MUST** agree to let the participant attend all functions. That means two days in September, two days in February, the second Wednesday of every month from October through June (except February), and another day to be determined by the participants themselves to complete the community project. This will be money and time well spent.

*** To ensure the success of the program, payments will be non-refundable. If an employer would like to substitute another person because of a change in circumstances, the employer must obtain approval from the Leadership Jefferson Director prior to the start of the program.**

After reading this information, we invite you to fill out the enclosed application and return it to us for this exciting and important program!

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APPLICATION FORM

(Due in Chamber office by June 6, 2008)

Name: _____

Home Address (optional): _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Name of Subdivision: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____

Employer's Address: _____

City/State Zip Code: _____

Supervisor's Name/Title: _____ Phone: _____

Your Position/Job Title: _____

Brief Job Description: _____

Dates of Employment with Current Employer: _____

How long have you lived in Jefferson County: _____

High School Attended: _____

Other Education: _____

Local Memberships: _____

How did you hear about Leadership Jefferson?

Please tell us what are your goals in participating in Leadership Jefferson?

We will use the information on this form to create a well-rounded class. All applications will be reviewed and considered by the Leadership Jefferson Director and the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce who, in order to create a diverse class, reserve the right to reject any applicant. Applications are due at the Chamber office by June 6, 2008. Each applicant will receive a response by July 1, 2008.