

2019-2020

LEADERSHIP PORTLAND

You are invited to apply for the Leadership Portland Program...
a comprehensive series of lectures, discussions and field trips designed to
educate community leaders about the present and future needs of the
Portland Community.



Leadership Portland is a program of
the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

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WWW.PORTLANDTX.ORG/LEADERSHIP**

PURPOSE

The Leadership Portland program is designed to expose current and future leaders to all aspects of the Portland Community. The program's purpose is:

- To increase the quality and quantity of men and women capable of accepting leadership roles in varied community organizations.
- Participants are exposed to a variety of social and economic civic-oriented leaders who are interested in helping direct the future of Portland.
- Through the program, participants will learn and refine their leadership style, meet and make connections with leaders in the community, and discover opportunities for community involvement.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The most important factor in participant selection is identifying those individuals who are most apt to use their leadership knowledge and skills for the long-term benefit of this community.

Based upon this criteria, individuals selected will be those:

1. Who represent a cross section of the community including business, the professions, education, government, arts, clergy, services & community organizations, and various ethnic, age and gender groups.
2. Who have demonstrated sincere commitment, motivation and interest to serve the Portland area.
3. Who have committed to complete the Leadership Portland program with the full support of the organization he/she represents.
4. Who have the intention upon completion of the program, to seek roles on community boards, commissions, key volunteer leadership positions in the community or public offices.

ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

One absolute requirement of participation in Leadership Portland is attendance for the entire Orientation and Team Building session. Course completion is based upon meeting attendance requirements for class sessions. The equivalent of two (2) days of absences prohibits graduation at the end of the session year. Attendance will be checked in the morning, after lunch and in the afternoon. If a day includes a bus tour, class members are required to ride the bus during the entire session. If a day includes a reception, class members are required to attend the full day. If attendance on any session day is not possible, the Leadership Portland staff must be notified.

TUITION

Tuition covers the cost of all session materials, field trips, refreshments, meals, transportation and the graduation ceremony. The tuition for Leadership Portland is \$400 per participant. Payment is due upon acceptance into the program. A limited number of scholarships are available. No refunds of tuition or transfers of class selection permitted. Applicants will be notified of selection status.

Confidential Application

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Name _____
Last First Middle Preferred Name

Preferred Mailing Address _____
Street City TX Zip

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Mobile Phone _____ Email _____

Date of Birth _____ Length of Residence in Portland _____

Company/ Sponsoring Organization _____

Organization Mailing Address _____
Street City State Zip

Nature of Business _____

Applicant's Title _____

1. EDUCATION

A. Name of School	Dates of Attendance	Degree/Major
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(Begin with high school, then college(s) or trade school and/or specialized training)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Special Awards, Honors, Prizes for Academic Performance:

B. Extracurricular Activities and Special Honors or Awards:

2. EMPLOYMENT

(List in chronological order, accounting for all time periods, including military, starting with the most current.)

Employer	Title/Responsibility	Dates of Employment	Reason for Leaving
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

What do you consider your most important professional responsibility, skill or achievement? (500 character limit)

3. VOLUNTEERISM & LEADERSHIP

Note: Community involvement is a very important component of the Leadership Portland process. Please be sure to list all current and past involvement.

Have you ever participated in another Community Leadership program? YES NO

If yes, which program? _____

Have you ever applied for Leadership Portland before? YES NO

If yes, what year? _____

Please list your other current community volunteer/leadership roles:

Organization	Role	Hours per Month
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

What has been your most meaningful volunteer/leadership experience and why?

Please list your current business/professional/social affiliations.

Hours per Month

Please list your past community involvement and/or business and social affiliations:

If you have not had the time or interest to become actively involved in civic and community volunteerism/leadership, what conditions have changed to allow your to become involved? On which community boards, committees or groups would you like to become active?

4. COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE

The primary goals of Leadership Portland are to develop and train leaders and to improve the quality of decision-makers for the future. Please include your answers to 4A and 4B on separate sheets and attach when submitting your application.

A. Why do you want to participate in Leadership Portland and what do you hope to gain from your participation?

B. Identify what you believe to be the three (3) most pressing problems facing the Portland community today. Explain why, and make recommendations for addressing and resolving these problems and issues. The purpose of this question is to determine how clearly you think about and express yourself concerning community problems and issues. Limit of one page per issue.

5. COMMITMENT

A. Please include one letter of recommendation. (Do not include more than one.) The letter should be from someone who knows you well and can comment on your ability to take your Leadership Portland experience and use it for long-term leadership within our community.

B. Applicants for Leadership Portland must have the support of their sponsoring business or organization. The sponsor or employer must sign this form to indicate their support of the applicant's participation in the program. Applications will not be considered without this signature.

Sponsor or Employer Signature _____

Print Sponsor/Employer Name _____ **Title** _____

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

6. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS AND DEADLINE

Application Checklist:

- Completed PDF Application w/Signatures Response to Section 4.A.
- Response to Section 4.B. Letter of Recommendation

Mail to: Portland Chamber of Commerce, P.O Box 388, Portland, TX 78374
Hand deliver to: 1512 Wildcat Drive, Portland, TX 78374

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NO hand-written applications will be accepted.
QUESTIONS? Please email admin@portlandtx.org or call 361-777-4650