

The Leaders Lab of Greater Charlottesville is a 9-month program for current and emerging local leaders to build their leadership skills and practice collaborative community problem-solving.

Program participants learn best practices in conflict resolution, negotiation, cultural competence, meeting facilitation, and many more skills they can put to work immediately in their careers and in the community.

The Leaders Lab curriculum and program have been crafted by the executive leaders of four local organizations with decades of leadership development expertise: the Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Center for Nonprofit Excellence, the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia, and the Institute for Engagement and Negotiation at the University of Virginia.

Each session includes three primary program elements:

- ❖ Leadership Development Assessing and building competencies in self-awareness, conflict management, collaboration, cultural competence and adaptability
- ❖ Community Knowledge-Building Community case studies on local work in areas such as homelessness, food and health access, racial equity, education and entrepreneurship
- Community Problem-Solving Studying and practicing leadership skills such as equitable collaboration, ethical decision making, community engagement, group facilitation, principled negotiation, conflict resolution and asset based community development

The Leaders Lab is committed to enrolling a cohort that reflects our entire community – in terms of geography, industry, race, gender, age and more – to establish a deeply collaborative network of leaders across the wide spectrum of our population.

Program tuition is \$2,900. Up to ten partial or full scholarships will be available to support access for the 2024-25 program year. An early application process for scholarships opens March 28, 2024.

To learn more, visit <a href="www.cvilleChamber.com/leaderslab">www.cvilleChamber.com/leaderslab</a>
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