

LWC

Leadership Washington County

Thank you for your interest in the Leadership Washington County program. The Washington County Chamber of Commerce along with sponsoring Chamber member organizations invest in LWC to develop and connect leaders within our community. Please seriously consider your participation and commitment to the class. LWC requires you to be engaged in the program and dedicated to participating during the class activities and committed to outside learning. LWC 2023-2024 will be asked to engage in discussion, participate in a class project and actively engage in class activities. LWC details are included in this application. If you would like any further information, please contact the Chamber at (979) 836-3695 or jane@BrenhamTexas.com, or visit www.BrenhamTexas.com.

Leadership Washington County is the flagship program of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce providing leadership development and engagement opportunities for participants.

Program Goals:

- ◆ To develop and equip leaders in Washington County through hands-on experiences and learning opportunities.
- ◆ To develop lasting relationships among community leaders.
- ◆ To develop community awareness and promote community engagement.
- ◆ To provide greater access to community resources and networking.
- ◆ To motivate participants to help make a difference in our community by becoming actively involved.

The 2023-2024 LWC program begins in August with an orientation meeting. Full day sessions are held monthly from September 2023–May 2024 as shown on the attached calendar.

Candidates are selected from an outstanding pool of applicants to adequately represent the diversity of our area and workforce. Multiple participants from the same organization may apply, but the goal of the program is to include as many organizations as possible.

Policies:

- ◆ LWC is designed to be an in-depth experience and requires attendance at each session for you to receive the full impact. The orientation is extremely important for you to attend as it sets the tone for the program. Recognizing that conflicts may arise, a maximum of two absences from other sessions are permissible. More than two days of absence from other sessions will result in self-termination from the program, with the tuition being non-refundable.
- ◆ Each participant should be a Chamber member, or representative of a member organization, and have the support and approval from his/her employer to participate in all sessions. If a participant is separated from their sponsoring organization or employer during the program, the participant may complete the program with the endorsement of the sponsoring member.
- ◆ Investment for the ten-month program is \$850 (\$750 with membership tier discount) which can be paid by the individual or the employer. This fee covers program expenses including lunch, a custom shirt, and any special travel arrangements that may be required.
- ◆ Each participant should be motivated to play an active and energetic role in each session.

As a rising leader, you will:

- ◆ Learn more about the key issues, challenges and opportunities in our community and region.
- ◆ Develop relationships with other influential leaders and civic officials in Washington County.
- ◆ Discover how to make a difference in the future of this community.
- ◆ Develop and enhance your own ability to lead.

Applications for the program are being accepted now through August 2, 2023. Return the attached form by mail, email or in person to the Chamber office (no faxes, please). Participants will be selected confidentially by an anonymous selection committee and will be notified of their acceptance by August 7, 2023. Tuition will be due prior to the first Leadership session.

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2023-2024 Calendar

This schedule is subject to change during the year. Chamber staff will notify you of any necessary changes. Please make certain your contact information is accurate.

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Orientation Meeting	Wednesday, August 9, 2023	3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
Team Building	Wednesday, September 6, 2023	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Economic Development/Tourism	Wednesday, October 4, 2023	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Education	Wednesday, November 1, 2023	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Emergency Management/Local Government	Wednesday, December 13, 2023	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Healthcare/EMS	Wednesday, January 10, 2024	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
State Government	Wednesday, February 7, 2024	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
History	Wednesday, March 6, 2024	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Law Enforcement/Public Safety	Wednesday, April 3, 2024	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Ag Business	Wednesday, May 1, 2024	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Graduation Banquet	TBD, May 2024	6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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2023-24 APPLICATION

*This completed application must be submitted to the Chamber **by August 2, 2023.**
(314 S. Austin Street, Brenham TX 77833 · jane@brenhamtexas.com)*

PERSONAL

Mr. Mrs. Ms.

Name: _____
Last First Name to be printed on shirt (if different)

Mailing Address:

Business _____ City/Zip _____

Home _____ City/Zip _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Shirt Size: (Ladies) S M L XL XXL
(Mens) S M L XL XXL

Food Allergies Yes No Please indicate allergy: _____

EMPLOYMENT

Employer _____

Position Title and Description _____

Employment History _____

EDUCATION

Begin listing with high school, college(s), trade schools and then any specialized training.

School Name & City/State	Date(s)	Degree/Major
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES List community activities you are currently involved in.
(Civic, religious, social, athletic, etc. You may print on a separate sheet, if desired.)

DOES YOUR EMPLOYER SUPPORT your participation in this program at this time? Yes No

Please answer the following questions on a *separate sheet* and submit along with this completed application.

- 1) What do you hope to gain from your involvement in Leadership Washington County?
- 2) What would you like to contribute to our community as a leader?

Optional: If you would like to be considered for a partial scholarship, explain the reason (see pg. 1).

List two references from this community whom the selection committee may contact for additional information about your leadership skills and aptitude:

Name _____	Name _____
Title _____	Title _____
Daytime Phone _____	Daytime Phone _____
Email _____	Email _____

Please read carefully and sign below:

By my signature here, I affirm that the above personal information is true and accurate. I understand and acknowledge the following: the Leadership program tuition fee is due prior to the first Leadership class, in September; I have approval and support from my employer to participate on all LWC session dates; I commit to attending and actively participating in each session; and that more than two days of absence from scheduled sessions may result in self-termination from the program with the tuition fee being non-refundable.

Signature

Date