

# Leadership Portland

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**SAMPLE CLASS CURRICULUM:**

- Team Building - September 18, 2021
- Understanding Our History, Looking to the Future - October 20, 2021
- Understanding Our Government - November 17, 2021
- Understanding Our Law Enforcement - December 15, 2021
- Education Within Our Community - January 19, 2022
- The Economy, Major Industries & Tourism - February 16, 2022
- Healthcare and Social Services - March 16, 2022
- Community Planning & Awareness - April 20, 2022
- Media & Public Speaking - May 18, 2022
- Graduation - June 15, 2022

***“ When there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved” -***

***Mattie Stepaner***

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## What are the Benefits ?

### For Employers

- Develops employees with increased organizational, leadership and problem solving skills
- Strengthens a company's involvement and participation in community affairs
- Gives companies new access to a network of community leaders and resources
- Gives companies public recognition of their community involvement

### For Employees

- A. Learn more about their community through professional development training
- B. Exchange ideas and experiences, both formally and informally
- C. Align the participant's skills with opportunities for success by developing lasting relationships among community leaders
- D. Develop new contacts, new resources and new skills
- E. Encourage participants to actively participate in future activities which contribute to the growth and betterment of the Portland community
- F. Recognize their weaknesses and continue to build their strengths

## Participation

### Eligibility and Selection:

Any person having an interest in the objectives of Leadership Portland shall be eligible to participate.

### Tuition:

Tuition for a current Portland Chamber Member and non-Portland Chamber membership applicant is \$400.00. Tuition must be paid in full by the first orientation meeting, unless previous payment arrangements have been made. Tuition fees are non-refundable. Failure to comply with class requirements will be grounds for immediate dismissal.

### Class Requirements:

Attend orientation and nine scheduled classes, complete homework assignments, complete assigned volunteer hours of community service within an outside organization in the Portland Community, and required volunteer hours at Windfest. In addition, the class will be required to create and complete a fundraiser to fund a required and approved class project.

### Graduation:

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 more than (1) absence prohibits graduation at the end of the session year. Attendance will be checked in the morning , after lunch and in the afternoon. If attendance on any session day is not possible, the Leadership Portland staff must be notified**

## Selection Criteria

The most important consideration in identifying those individuals that are most likely to utilize their leadership skills for the long-term benefit of the Portland Community. Leadership Portland seeks individuals:

1. Who represent a cross section of the community including business, the professions, education, government, arts, clergy, service & community organizations, and various ethnic, age and gender groups.
2. Who demonstrate sincere commitment motivation and interest to serve the Portland area.
3. Who has 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.

*"Don't just aspire to make a living. Aspire to make a difference." Denzel Washington*

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Applications must be:

1. Typed or clearly printed.
2. Signed by the applicant.
3. Accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of \$30 payable to the Portland Chamber of Commerce.
4. Accompanied by signed commitment form.
5. Returned to the Portland Chamber of Commerce by August 17, 2021.