

APPLICATION PROCESS

WHO SHOULD APPLY TO LEADERSHIP FREDERICK COUNTY?

Professionals who live or work in Frederick County who are interested in learning more about the history, industries and future of our community are encouraged to apply.

Applicants must have the full support (financial and/or time) of their employer or be self-employed.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please complete the following:

- Part 1A: Overview
- Part 1B: Free Response
- Part 2A: Applicant Commitment
- Part 2B: Sponsor Commitment (to be completed by sponsor)
- One letter of recommendation from a professional or community activity reference
- A professional headshot to be used as part of the class directory, online and in LFC promotions. Photos should be a minimum of 600px x 600px and reflect you as a professional. Please attach the photo as a separate image file (jpg or png).

All materials including the application, sponsor letter and headshot etc. are to be completed and sent to kwalsh@frederickchamber.org or by mail to Frederick County Chamber of Commerce 118 North Market Street Suite 200, Frederick MD 21701 | no later than May 31, 2020.

INTERVIEW:

Following receipt and review of your completed application, top candidates will interview with the selection committee sometime in June or July 2020.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

Applications will be accepted until May 31, 2020. Space is limited.
Interviews will begin in June 2020.

2020-2021 CLASS DAYS

A commitment to these dates is expected, please consider them when applying.

Be prepared for the day to run 7:00AM to 6:00PM, most days are shorter.

WELCOME RECEPTION

August 31, 2020

5:00-7:30PM

Celebrate the start of Leadership Frederick County! Participants and sponsors are invited to kick off the year with style

OVERNIGHT RETREAT

September 10 & 11, 2020

Get to know the other leaders in the class with carefully designed team building and personal development exercise.

FREDERICK COUNTY

HISTORY October 2, 2020

Part of leading is in knowing the history and background of the community. During History Day we meet with representatives from Tourism, local parks and monuments and museums for insight into our past.

AGRICULTURE

October 30, 2020

Tour Frederick County farms, wineries and other agriculture facilities. Learn how this industry is adapting to demand and trends with new techniques and technology.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

November 13, 2020

Frederick is a great place to do business. Discover how local leaders are driving progress not only in their organizations but in the community.

PUBLIC SAFETY

December 11, 2020

Backup: December 18, 2020

Emergency service personnel provide insight into the opportunities and obstacles of protecting Frederick County. Watch tactical demonstrations, tour response vehicles and visit the courthouse.

EDUCATION

January 15, 2021

Backup: January 29, 2021

From primary to post-graduate, Education Day sends the class back to school. We tour facilities, meet with teachers, professors and administrators and discuss how to prepare the future workforce.

**GOVERNMENT (STATE/
LOCAL) February 12, 2021**

7:00AM- 6:30PM

Backup: February 26, 2021

Explore how your local county and municipal governments work behind the scenes.

HEALTH & HUMAN

SERVICES March 12, 2021

Backup: March 19, 2021

Take an in-depth look at the role of nonprofits. We'll tour Frederick Health and visit the Frederick Rescue Mission to work on service projects and engage in hands-on simulations.

QUALITY OF LIFE

April 2, 2021

Frederick County has a rich arts culture from theater, music, painting and beyond. Discover how high quality of life impacts business, residents and the community.

PLANNING & LAND USE

FREDERICK'S FUTURE

April 23, 2021

Leaders must have foresight and ambition. We discuss city planning, economic outlook and the state of business. We take a critical look at obstacles and challenges as well as opportunities and advantages.

CLOSING RETREAT

May 7, 2021

Review and reflect on your LFC experience. Present your Leaders on Loan project and discuss commitments for community leadership opportunities.

GRADUATION DINNER

May 21, 2021 | 5:00PM - 8:00PM

Celebrate the Leadership Frederick County experience with classmates, sponsors, family and alumni.

PART 1A OVERVIEW:

All sections must be completed prior to submission

Full Name: _____ Nickname: _____

Are you a Frederick County resident? YES NO

Do you expect to be in Frederick County in five years? YES NO

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Special Interests/Hobbies: _____

Current Employer: _____ Year of Hire: _____

Type of Business Industry: _____ Title: _____

Brief Description of Responsibilities: _____

Business Address: _____

Preferred Email: _____

Personal Email: _____

Please list your last two employers. Include the company name, your title and the years worked for that organization:

1. _____
2. _____

Please list high school and college degrees and/or specialized training in the grid below:

Name of Institution:	Location:	Dates:	Degree:	Major:

Special Awards/Honors: _____

Please list examples of your most recent volunteer involvement, board positions, charity events, etc.

Name of Organization:	Responsibilities:	Dates:

PART 2A: APPLICANT COMMITMENT

Name of Applicant: _____

Sponsorship (Choose One):

Tuition to be paid by employer/company

Tuition to be paid by applicant

Tuition to be paid in part by

Partial financial assistance needed to

employer/company, in part by applicant

participate*

I understand and accept the goals and commitments of Leadership Frederick County and if selected, will devote the time and effort necessary for successful completion.

I have reserved all session dates (including backups for inclement weather) on my calendar and verify that I have no conflicts.

I understand I must attend all sessions including the welcome reception and retreats to graduate. For health or personal emergencies, a maximum of 2 absences may be reviewed and excused. I understand my sponsors will be notified of my absences.

I understand tuition is **\$2,475 for Chamber members and \$2,875 for nonmembers.** The Chamber will send an invoice and full payment is due by October 31, 2020. I understand tuition is non-refundable and should my sponsor not be able to pay, I will forfeit my seat in the class or assume the rest of the payment.

I understand there is a limited amount of financial assistance available for 501(c)(3) organizations. To request an application for assistance, please email

kwalsh@frederickchamber.org. Do not make assumptions, requests need to be filed*

By submitting this application, I authorize the Chamber to use my identity, image and likeness in videos, photos, audio and other media. This media may be used to promote Chamber programs and events.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date Signed: _____

PART 2B: SPONSOR COMMITMENT

Must be completed by sponsor

Name of Sponsor/Supervisor: _____

Title: _____ Organization: _____

Email: _____

Send me email updates on what the class is learning? Yes No

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Relation to Applicant (i.e, supervisor, CEO, etc): _____

This candidate has my full support to participate in Leadership Frederick County. I am aware of the time commitment involved in their active participation and understand attendance is required for graduation.

I understand tuition for Leadership Frederick County is \$2,475 (\$2,875 for non-Chamber members), payable to the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce. Our organization will pay in full upon receipt of invoice no later than October 31, 2020.

I understand tuition is nonrefundable and cannot be transferred.

Our organization is willing to pay \$_____ toward our candidate's tuition and the applicant will personally pay \$_____.

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send completed application, along with your photo, by May 31, 2020 to kwalsh@frederickchamber.org
or Frederick County Chamber of Commerce, 118 North Market St., Suite 200, Frederick, MD 21701.

PART 1B: FREE RESPONSE

In 200 words or less, please answer the following questions. **Note:** these must be completed prior to submission for consideration

Describe your current position and your professional background:

What community activities, past and present, have you been involved in?

What do you hope to gain from this program?

What one word describes your leadership style?

