The Program

Leadership Plano was founded in 1983, and continues to enjoy a stellar reputation as a program of the Plano Chamber of Commerce.

Mission

The program is dedicated to educating, developing, and empowering current and future leaders for the community and motivating them to serve civic, charitable, and business organizations.

Participants in the program develop friendships and become part of an ever-growing network of community leaders that can be life-changing.

Leadership Plano

Spanning nine months from September through May, the Leadership Plano program focuses on creating community awareness and developing individual and community leadership skills.

The program begins with a mandatory two-day weekend retreat in September and continues throughout the year with one day a month sessions examining specific aspects of the community including city history and government, education, business and economic development, health and human services, public safety, the arts, and non-profit organizations.

The insights that participants gain as they explore the inner workings of the community serve as a foundation for their long-term involvement in Plano.

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Leadership Plano graduates currently serve in numerous elected positions: City Council, Plano Independent School District (PISD) Board, Collin College Board of Trustees, and Collin County Commissoners Court.

Leadership Plano is a program of the Plano Works Foundation

PLANOWORKS LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION

PLANO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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LEADERSHIP PLANO

Program Guide

Application Information



Benefits and Value

For Participants

Leadership Plano participants benefit from a broad-based education about the community while developing a valuable communications network among civic, business, and educational leaders. They also develop the personal and professional skills that increase their effectiveness within their community and business environments.

For the Community

Plano benefits from the development of a source of high-quality leaders with broadened perspectives prepared to address issues critical to Plano's future. The success of the program can be measured by the number of Leadership Plano graduates who currently serve the community in volunteer and elected positions.

For the Business Community

Businesses whose employees participate in Leadership Plano benefit not only from the graduates' new found knowledge of the city's inner workings, but also from the development of the personal skills that increase their effectiveness in the professional environment.

Leadership Plano Selection

Each year, up to 36 candidates are selected to participate in the program. Leadership Plano seeks a diverse cross-section of men and women from the public, private, and non-profit sectors who are committed to the well-being of Plano and are interested in assuming greater responsibility for the future leadership of our community. Selection is based solely on an applicant's merit from the information provided in the application.

The Criteria for Selection Includes:

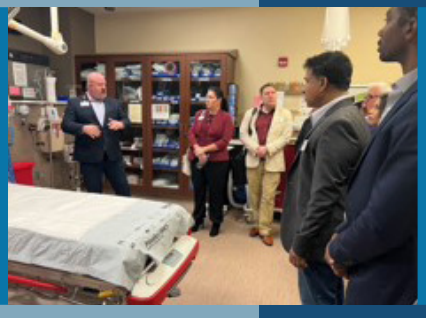
- A history of involvement or a strong desire to become actively involved in the community;
- A commitment to ongoing personal development and community education;
- A willingness to accept leadership roles within civic, charitable, and community organizations;
- A commitment to program attendance and participation requirements.

Applicants Must Meet One of the Following Requirements

- Applicant lives and/or works in Plano;
- Applicant lives and/or works within the Plano ISD boundaries;
- Applicant is a member of the Plano Chamber; or
- Applicant works for a company outside Plano that affects the Plano area.

For more information visit leadershipplano.org or call the Plano Chamber at 972-424-7547.





Medical City Plano

Application Instructions

Application deadline: June 15*

Application packet and instructions are available at leadershipplano.org.

Tuition

Program costs, including meals, course materials, transportation, and retreat lodging are covered by a combination of tuition and corporate and alumni contributions. Check the leadershipplano.org website for specific tuition information.

Testimonials





Meryl Evans
LP Class 38, LP Board Member
Leadership Plano expanded my network, stretched me, and taught me more about Plano and myself. As a lifelong accessibility and disability inclusion advocate, I appreciated the program cared about making it an inclusive and accessible experience for others and me.

Jarvis Archibald
LP Class 38, LP Board Member
My LP experience was like having a front row seat to learning what makes the City of Plano a wonderful place to live, work, and play. Each class session challenged me to view the city through a different lens. I'm a more informed leader about the community my hospital serves and its potential impact on Plano families because of LP. For that I am grateful.

Julissa Estrada
LP Class 40, LP Board Member
Leadership Plano has been a transformative experience for me, both personally and professionally. The program enriched my understanding of our community's history, economic development, and civic resources. The connections I built and the skills I gained have empowered me to serve more boldly and effectively in my roles within the non-profit sector.

**The Monday immediately following June 15 if that date falls on a Saturday or Sunday.*