



Mission:

The Leadership Owensboro Program is a joint program of the Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation designed to educate, engage, and empower individuals to reach their potential and affect change in Greater Owensboro.

Leadership Owensboro will expose participants to a variety of topics and issues as well as teach leadership skills and applications. Participants will learn how they can play a role and gain insight and involvement in the Greater Owensboro region.

Objectives of the Program:

- Improve the quality of life in the Greater Owensboro region by developing leaders
- Identify key individuals with demonstrated leadership qualities and concern for Owensboro's future
- Develop an educational program to familiarize participants with the Greater Owensboro community's opportunities, needs, challenges and resources
- Expose participants to a wide variety of current local leaders and notable persons through various types of networking opportunities
- Encourage independent thinking, fresh perspectives, and approaches
- Empower participants with relevant community issue knowledge and future possibilities for their engagement in Leadership roles

Expectations:

As a participant in the Leadership Owensboro program, it is expected that you attend every scheduled session. Full participation is required for the class to receive benefit from the program objectives. Each class member is allowed one absence during the program year. You will also be required to complete assignments as well as attend certain community meetings and events outside of the scheduled class dates.

Class Dates/Times:

The 2018 Leadership Owensboro Class will be presented to the business community at the **September 7th** Rooster Booster Breakfast which starts at 7:30 am at the Owensboro Convention Center.

The opening session will be an overnight retreat on **Thursday, September 28 through Friday, September 29, 2017**. Attendance at the retreat is **mandatory**. Please see the tentative schedule below, and block the full day to attend unless otherwise noted.

Class Dates/Times:

Leadership Owensboro will begin with an opening session retreat on **Thursday, September 28 through Friday, September 29, 2017** in French Lick, Indiana. Attendance at the entire opening session is **required**. The tentative schedule is as follows:

- Thursday, September 7 – Leadership Owensboro Class presented to the community at Rooster Booster (7:30 a.m. at the Owensboro Convention Center)
- Thursday, September 28 through Friday, September 29, 2017 (**mandatory**) – overnight
*Accommodations will be provided at an additional cost.
- Thursday, October 19, 2017 – all day
- Thursday, November 16, 2017 – all day
- Thursday, December 14, 2017 – all day
- Thursday, January 4, 2018 – 7:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (Rooster Booster and session afterwards)
- Thursday, January 18, 2018 – all day
- Thursday, February 15, 2018 – all day (trip to Frankfort)
*Transportation will be provided at an additional cost.
- Thursday, March 15, 2018 – all day
- Thursday, April 19, 2018 – all day
- Tuesday, May 1 – **Changing Your Community Class Presentations**
12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (lunch is not included)
- Thursday, May 10, 2018 – **Graduation & Alumni Reception**
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



Class of 2018 Application

(Please print legibly or type)

Thank you for applying to become a member of the 2018 Leadership Owensboro Class. Leadership Owensboro is a joint program of the Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce and Greater Owensboro Economic Development Corporation. Participants are selected on the basis of past leadership experience, leadership potential and community volunteer experience. 25 applicants will be accepted. *Since the number of applicants is much greater than that, not everyone who applies will be invited to be in the class. Not being included in the class is not necessarily a reflection of your abilities or leadership potential.*

Completed applications must be returned to the Chamber of Commerce office at 200 East 3rd Street no later than August 4, 2017. Electronic applications will not be accepted. Notifications will be made by August 31. It is permissible to recreate this form on computer; however please include all requested information.

Applicant Information:

Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last) (Preferred Name)

Home: _____
Address City State ZIP

Home Phone: _____ Home Email: _____

Business Name: _____

Business: _____
Address City State ZIP

Business Phone: _____ Business Email: _____

Preferred Mailing Address _____ Home _____ Business

Resume (Please Attach)

Please submit your resume. Resumes should include professional experience, professional affiliations, and education in addition to awards and honors.

Essay Questions (Please Attach)

1. In your judgment, what are the three most pressing issues facing the Owensboro area today? Explain why and offer recommendations for approaching and resolving these problems. *(500 word maximum)*
2. What do you consider your most significant career achievement? *(200 word maximum)*

References

Please submit three letters of recommendation. Letters should describe the applicant's potential as a community leader and how his/her leadership will benefit the community. Please include letters of recommendation with your application. Applications are considered incomplete without all letters.

Tuition Payment

Chamber Members: If accepted into the Leadership Owensboro class, you or your company will be billed for the \$750 tuition. Payment must be made in full to the Chamber of Commerce by **October 2, 2017**.

Non-Chamber Members: If accepted into the Leadership Owensboro class, you or your company will be billed for the \$1,000 tuition. Payment must be made in full to the Chamber of Commerce by **October 2, 2017**.

Retreat Payment

If accepted into the Leadership Owensboro class, you or your company will be billed \$200 for the retreat. Payment must be made in full to the Chamber of Commerce by **October 2, 2017**.

Frankfort Payment

If accepted into the Leadership Owensboro class, you or your company will be billed \$50 for transportation. Payment must be made in full to the Chamber of Commerce by **October 2, 2017**.

