

Leadership Greater Madison 2017

LGM24 Participant Application

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WHAT IS LEADERSHIP GREATER MADISON?

Leadership Greater Madison (LGM) is one of Dane County's premier civic leadership education and training programs designed to help citizens gain the knowledge, experience and access they need to actively participate as civic leaders in their communities. The 11-month LGM program includes pre-determined discussion topics surrounding contemporary issues, a skill training component, team projects and networking opportunities. The LGM team project component is designed to address timely, local issues; have measurable outcomes; include research and presentation components; and include a legacy plan for the work. Team projects are an integral component in the search for solutions to current community challenges and a valuable opportunity to engage with community stakeholders.

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF LGM?

Through presentations by distinguished community leaders, administrators and experts as well as a variety of hands-on activities to address the challenges and opportunities affecting the greater Madison area, the goal of LGM is to:

1. Improve participant understanding of, and engagement with, specific challenges and opportunities facing our communities;
2. Provide participants with meaningful opportunities to network and interact with civic leaders from the greater Madison area;
3. Enhance participant research, issue management and public advocacy skills;
4. Create opportunities for participants to develop valuable interpersonal and leadership skills through a variety of experiential learning techniques; and

5. Assist participants to identify and explore opportunities for civic engagement.

WHO ARE THE IDEAL CANDIDATES FOR LGM?

Ideal candidates for the LGM experience will be those individuals who have an interest in learning more about the community in which they live; contributing to efforts to enhance that community; and taking on a civic leadership role within a government, non-profit, business or community setting. Candidates may self-nominate or be nominated by an LGM alum, employer or other community leader; must commit to fully engaging in the LGM learning experience; and receive employer approval/support to participate in the 11 monthly, weekday sessions. Program participants must commit to attending each of 11 full-day sessions (8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) between February and December and be willing to participate fully and engage with fellow program participants and community partners. Candidates must reside or work in Dane County.

WHY WOULD YOU CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN LGM?

- You want the opportunity to meet Madison's decision makers and learn more about what makes your community tick;
- You want to check out various community needs and leadership opportunities;
- You want to grow your personal and professional network;
- You want to join an impressive list of fellow local, state and national leaders who have engaged in LGM or similar leadership development programs across the country;
- You want to get involved in a team project that benefits your community; and
- You want to learn valuable, life-long leadership skills.

LGM PROGRAM BASICS

PROGRAM SCHEDULE*

Full-day sessions (8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. sessions are scheduled on the fourth Tuesday of the month - February - November at various locations around the Greater Madison Area and, occasionally, outside of the area. There is no session in July and a graduation celebration will take place early December. Session dates are as follows:

1. February 28, 2017
2. March 28, 2017
3. April 25, 2017
4. May 23, 2017
5. June 27, 2017
6. July 25, 2017 (social only)
7. August 22, 2017
8. September 26, 2017
9. October 24, 2017
10. November 28, 2017
11. December 12, 2017 (graduation)

* A final schedule and program summary will be distributed to program participants upon acceptance into the program. Schedule is subject to change.

TUITION

Tuition for participation in LGM is \$2,500. A reduced rate of \$1,500 will be offered to employees of local non-profit organizations. Upon request, LGM will work with accepted applicants on tuition assistance. Assistance may be available depending on program sponsorships and donations. Please visit the website or contact LGM Coordinator Lynn Wood for available discounts, lwood@wcpgr.com.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- Applicants must be residents of, or working in, Dane County.
- Applicants must be nominated by a previous program participant or supporter or his/her employer; be a Civitas graduate or be able to demonstrate leadership experience or potential.
- Applicants must commit to attending a minimum of nine of the 10 scheduled sessions and actively participate in team project activities.

- Applicants must complete and submit the official LGM application by Monday, January 16, 2017. Applications can be completed online, printed and mailed to LGM c/o Wood Communications Group, 44 E. Mifflin St., Suite 404, Madison, WI 53703 or faxed to (608) 259-0828, attention LGM.
- The \$2,500 tuition* is due upon program acceptance. Checks can be made payable to Leadership Greater Madison and can be mailed to LGM c/o GMCC, 17 S. Fairchild, Madison, WI 53703.

A pdf version of the application can be found here: www.leadershipgreatermadison.org.

CONTACT

For questions or additional information about the LGM program, please contact Program Director, Lynn Wood at Wood Communications Group, lwood@wcgpr.com or 608-280-7511.

1. I have read, understand and agree to the Leadership Greater Madison Application Guidelines *

Check all that apply.

- Yes
- No

2017 Application

2. First Name *

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3. Last Name *

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4. Home Address (street, city, state, zip) *

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5. Date of Birth *

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6. Employer *

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7. Employer Address (Street, city, state, zip) *

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8. Title/Job/Role

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9. Home Phone Number *

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10. Work Phone Number

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11. Mobile Phone Number *

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12. Preferred Contact Phone Number

Mark only one oval.

- Home
 Work
 Mobile

13. E-mail address *

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14. Gender *

Check all that apply.

- Female
 Male
 Prefer not to answer

15. Race

Mark only one oval.

- White
 Black or African American
 American Indian or Alaskan Native
 Asian
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
 Hispanic, Latina/o
 Two or more races

16. **Number of years you have lived or worked in the Greater Madison Area ***

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Educational Background

17. **High School (name, city, state) ***

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18. **Post-Secondary School (name, city, state, area of study/degree)**

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19. **Graduate School - area of study**

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20. **Have you participated in Civitas? If yes, when?**

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21. **Are you eligible for a discount? If yes, please describe.**

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22. **Special requirements: dietary, physical or other**

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Confidentiality Notice

Please note that your application information will remain confidential until official acceptance into the program. Upon acceptance, only your primary contact information will be distributed to other members of the class. You will be notified of any other requests to share your contact information throughout the program year.

Nominator Information

23. Name of nominator: *

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24. Relationship to nominee *

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25. Nominator employer, title/role/job

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26. Nominator contact phone number *

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27. Nominator e-mail address *

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Employer Support

As stated in the Application Guidelines, attendance at the full-day monthly sessions as well as availability for team project work outside of the class sessions is necessary to participate in LGM. Please ensure you have the support of your employer to participate.

28. Yes, my employer is aware of my application to participate in LGM, understands the program time commitment and schedule and supports my participation. *

Mark only one oval.

Agree

Disagree

29. If different from the Nominator, please include the following information for your direct supervisor or other authorized employer representative.

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30. Name

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31. **Title**

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32. **Phone Number**

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33. **E-Mail Address**

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Essay Questions

No more than 250 words per question

34. **LOCAL CIVIC ISSUES: In your opinion, what are the most critical issues facing the greater Madison area and why? ***

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35. **If you could do one thing to improve the quality of life in the greater Madison area, what would it be and why? ***

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36. **NATIONAL CIVIC ISSUES: In your opinion, what are the most critical issues facing the United States and why? ***

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37. Which, if any, of the following civic issues most interest you? Please select no more than three. *

Check all that apply.

- Economic growth/development
- Community safety
- Crime/violence
- Education
- Government
- Health care
- Human services
- Racial disparities
- Social justice
- Transportation
- Workforce development
- Other:

38. What skills, talents, experiences or unique perspectives do you believe you would offer the LGM program? *

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39. What do you most wish to obtain from the LGM experience? *

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40. **Every obstacle we face in life comes with an opportunity to learn something new. Describe a challenge you have faced, how you persevered, and what you learned from the experience. ***

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