



Leadership Midwest City 2017 Application

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Leadership Midwest City

Objectives

Leadership Midwest City provides participants a deeper understanding of the Midwest City area. Participants receive in-depth exposure through discussion groups, on-site visits, simulation and other leadership development activities.

Leadership Midwest City is a program designed to prepare and inform class members for volunteer positions of public, civic, and non-profit entities. Its purpose is to:

- ◆ Identify and motivate potential leaders.
- ◆ Acquaint participants with the community and its needs.
- ◆ Encourage identification of challenges and creative solutions.
- ◆ Acquaint participants with current community leaders.

Program

Leadership Midwest City seeks to develop participants' knowledge and skills through a series of sessions. The sessions include tours, presentations, demonstrations and dialogue between speakers and members of the class. Topics Include: Team Building; Leadership Skills; the Chamber of Commerce; Economic Development; City Government; Fire Safety, Law Enforcement, Municipal Courts; Public Service Opportunities; State and County Government; Health Care; Mid-Del Schools and Vocational/Technical Education; Industry; Non Profits, Rose State College; and Tinker Air Force Base.

Leadership Midwest City begins with a get acquainted social on Thursday, January 26, 2017 from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm at the Emerald Restaurant at the Sheraton Midwest City Hotel, followed by a mandatory orientation on Friday, January 27, 2017 from 9 am – 2 pm at the Rose State College Professional Training Center.

The majority of the classes will be half-day sessions during the **daytime** hours on Thursdays. One or two classes may be held on another weekday. A complete schedule will be available prior to the beginning of the program. Participants qualify for graduation by attendance of sessions and participation in the class project, **Taste of Midwest City**. Graduation will be in late April. Participants are allowed to have one excused absence during the eleven sessions. Participation in the class project (**Taste of Midwest City**) and the orientation **are mandatory** in order to graduate from Leadership Midwest City. Please note that some time may be required outside of the scheduled class time to work on **Taste of Midwest City**. All class project funds are raised for the purpose of donating to **Midwest City** community programs.

Class Project: Taste of Midwest City

Taste of Midwest City is a long-standing traditional fundraising event. Restaurants and businesses in the community partner with the Leadership Midwest City class to raise funds to donate to Midwest City community needs. Funds are raised through corporate sponsorships and individual ticket sales. The event is held at the Sheraton Midwest City Hotel at the Reed Conference Center from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on April 17, 2017. At Taste of Midwest City, local restaurants offer a "taste" of food or beverage for attendees. The class may choose to do additional fundraising efforts such as a silent auction, valet parking, wine pull, etc. The Midwest City Chamber staff will inform the class participants of more details at the retreat.

Requirements for Participation

Applicants must:

1. Work and/or live in Eastern Oklahoma County.
2. Be a member of the Midwest City Chamber of Commerce through your company or as an individual.
3. Resumes, letters of referral, and photographs are optional.
4. Indicate continued interest in Eastern Oklahoma County.
5. Be at least 25 years of age.
6. Comply with attendance requirements.
7. Complete and return an official program application.
8. Attend opening retreat orientation.
9. Participate in class project (Taste of Midwest City).

Nominations and application forms can be obtained at the Midwest City Chamber of Commerce or on the Chamber's website at www.midwestcityok.com. The Leadership Development Selection Committee reviews completed applications. A diverse cross-section of the community is reflected within each class. Please note: the selection committee reserves the right to review applicants' social media.

Financial Information

Each applicant accepted for the program is required to make tuition of **\$300** which helps defray the cost of program development and implementation. Remaining project costs are underwritten through scholarships provided by members of the Chamber of Commerce. Personal check, corporate check, American Express or VISA/MasterCard may be used for payment. For confidential consideration, contact the Chamber of Commerce office. In the event that any participant cannot fulfill their commitment to Leadership Midwest City, no refunds will be issued after the 5th week of the program. Extenuating circumstances will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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(Please type or print - an additional sheet may be attached if more space is needed for any section.)

Official Name: _____

____ Yes, I am at least 25 years of age

Name you go by: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home phone: _____

*DL #: _____ *DOB: _____ *SS#: _____

***this information is required for access to Tinker Air Force Base.**

Employment

Present employer: _____ Work phone: _____

Mailing address: _____

Position or title: _____ Date started: _____

Would you prefer to receive your mail at work or home? _____

Fax number: _____ Email address: _____

Cell Phone number: _____

Previous employment information (beginning with most recent)

Employer	Title	From	To
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Education

List your educational background, including degrees, field of study, etc.

List any special awards, honors, or recognition you have received:

Community Activities

List key community, civic, professional, business, religious, and social organizations of which you are, or have been a member. Show offices held or special projects assigned and completed.

Organization	Date of Membership	Offices Held
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Hobbies, Skills, and interests:

Who referred you to the Leadership Midwest City Program? _____

How are you associated with Midwest City/ Eastern Oklahoma County? How Long? _____

Work

Resident Other: _____

In the space provided below, describe your commitment to the community, how you intend to be involved, and why you wish to participate in Leadership Midwest City.

Pledge of Participation

I, the undersigned, pledge that if selected to participate in Leadership Midwest City, I will make the necessary scheduling arrangements to meet the attendance requirements. To the best of my ability, I will make every effort to ensure the successful completion of the class project, Taste of Midwest City.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

All applications **and** Release from Liability and Indemnity Agreement (on next page) are due no later than 4:00 p.m. on **Friday, January 6th, 2017**. Applications and support documents accepted by the Committee will be kept confidential. For additional information, interested persons may call 733-3801. Return this form to the following address:

Leadership Midwest City, Midwest City Chamber of Commerce
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Release from Liability and Indemnity Agreement

I _____ hereby affirm that I am participating in the Midwest City Chamber of Commerce Leadership Midwest City program of my own free, voluntary act. I hereby certify and acknowledge that I am fully cognizant and aware of all the inherent risks of travel and activities related to the program.

By participating in this program I understand and agree that neither the Midwest City Chamber of Commerce, or any of its agents, servants, board members, volunteers or employees may be held liable in any way for any occurrence in connection with the aforementioned program which may result in injury, death or other damages to me or my property or my family, heirs, or assigns. In consideration for being allowed to participate in said program, I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with said program and I further hereby release the aforementioned Midwest City Chamber of Commerce and its agents, servants, board members, volunteers and employees from liability resulting of and from any harm, injury or damage which may befall me while I am preparing for or participating in activities associated with said program including all risks connected therewith.

I further state that I have fully read and understand the terms herein and I have signed this document of my own free act on the _____ day of _____, 2016/2017.

This is a release. Read carefully before signing.

Participant

Witness