



Leadership Anne Arundel Flagship 2011 Program Application

*The vision of Leadership Anne Arundel is
to develop and nurture community trustees who improve the quality of life in Anne Arundel
County by convening diverse stakeholders, bridging their divides, and facilitating resolutions
for the common good.*

*The mission of Leadership Anne Arundel is
to provide people of diverse backgrounds with the education, resources and networks
necessary to become successful proactive leaders.*

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Instructions

- Please complete all three application sections: I. Application Information, II. Application Agreements, and III. Application Essay Questions. All sections must be completed before submission. *Incomplete applications will not be accepted.* Please type or word-process your application. Résumés and biographical information cannot replace the application form. If you wish to include any relevant articles published about yourself, please attach those to your application copies.
- **Applicants must sign their application and include a non-refundable \$125 application fee.** Checks should be made payable to: Leadership Anne Arundel
- **Submit the completed original application (please include the application only, without the instruction sheets) to our office either in hard copy or electronically via e-mail to info@leadershipaa.org. *Deadline is June 15, 2010.***

Tuition

The 2010 - 2011 tuition rate is \$4,200. The tuition covers all program costs. Leadership Anne Arundel has scholarship funds available for individuals who demonstrate a need. Scholarships may be provided for up to 80% of the tuition. The amount of scholarship funds provided to applicants is based upon the number of requests and available funds. If you are interested in pursuing a scholarship, please indicate this in section II of the application. You also will need to request and complete an LAA Scholarship Form. ***Only those applicants who have indicated interest in a scholarship on this application and who have provided the completed LAA Scholarship Form will be considered.***

Class Composition and Selection

Approximately 35 to 50 participants representing a diverse community will be selected for the Flagship Program. The selection committee is comprised of Leadership Anne Arundel graduates and other community leaders who are charged with identifying individuals who will use their leadership capacities for the benefit of the community. Selection is based on an individual's desire for involvement in community leadership and Leadership Anne Arundel's goal of bringing together diverse leaders.

Selection Criteria

- Sincere concern about the future of Anne Arundel County and a personal commitment to help shape that future
- Demonstrated commitment to leadership principles
- Ability and willingness to commit the time and energy necessary to complete the program (Leadership Anne Arundel adheres to a strict attendance policy.)
- Commitment to participate on one community project team
- Employer's full support (for applicants who represent organizations/businesses)

Non-Discrimination

Leadership Anne Arundel does not discriminate against applicants or participants on the basis of race, religion, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, age or physical ability. All applications will be handled in the strictest confidence.

Session Schedule

A copy of the session schedule for the 2010-2011 program is attached for your reference.

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II. Application Agreements

Agreement

Applicant

I understand the purposes of Leadership Anne Arundel and, if selected, will devote the time and resources to complete the program. I understand that the commitment includes an orientation session, a two-day retreat in September, a two-day retreat in January, a two-day retreat in June, (8) sessions September through June, and a graduation ceremony in June. In addition to session days, I will participate on one community project team that will require additional time outside of the sessions. I understand that attendance is mandatory and that tuition is not refundable upon withdrawal from the program. By signing this application I agree to be bound by this commitment.

Signature _____ Date _____

Employer (if applicable)

This applicant has the approval and full support of this organization including the time required to successfully complete the program. (For applicants who answer directly to a board of directors, such as an executive director of a non-profit organization, please have the board president or chair sign.)

Signature _____ Title _____

Organization _____

Tuition

If accepted into the Leadership Anne Arundel Flagship Program you or your sponsor will be billed for the tuition prior to the program start date. The tuition covers all of your program costs including room and meals at the overnight retreat. All participants are encouraged to pay at least part of the tuition themselves.

Will your employer/sponsor pay the tuition? _____ Full _____ Partial
(Employer's signature and dollar amount required below.)

Will you pay the tuition? _____ Full _____ Partial

Are you interested in applying for a scholarship? _____ Yes _____ No

If you are applying for a scholarship, you must contact the LAA office to request a Scholarship Form. No scholarship/financial assistance will be provided without this completed form. LAA does not provide 100% scholarship/financial assistance.

Employer/Sponsor

I confirm that our organization will pay:

_____ the full tuition toward this applicant's tuition

_____ a part of the total tuition in the amount of \$ _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Title _____

Organization _____

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III. Application Essay Questions

Please answer each question individually and type or word-process this portion of the application on separate sheets of paper.

1. Your Vision of Achievement

Please describe one occasion (community, personal, or professional) when you had a vision of something to be achieved. For a current vision, what skills and resources do you need to make your vision a reality? For a past vision, what skills and resources did you employ?

2. You and Your Community

Please describe a time when you have been engaged in a community project, initiative, cause or organization (professional or community) in a manner that has been fulfilling. The following questions may serve as a guide:

- How have you contributed to the success of someone, a group, or an organization?
- In what ways has this involvement affected you?
- What was your role?
- How did you support or foster a common vision?

3. Your Volunteer Activities

Please describe any volunteer activities you wish to tell us about. Please limit your answer to one page. The following questions may serve as guide:

- How much time do you devote to volunteer activities?
- If you have not been involved in volunteer activities, what conditions might have changed that would allow you to become more involved?
- What kinds of activities would you seek if you had the time?

4. Your Leadership and Problem Solving Skills

In your judgment, what is one of the most pressing problems in our community? Why? As a community leader, how would you approach and solve/minimize the effects of this problem?

5. Your Expectations for Leadership Anne Arundel

Please describe your reason(s) for applying to the Leadership Anne Arundel Flagship Program. What do you hope to gain? How will you apply the learning and experience from the program?

Flagship 2010-2011 Program Session Schedule

Thursday, September 2	Orientation (afternoon event)
Thursday, September 16 Friday, September 17	Opening Retreat
Thursday, October 21	Government/Annapolis Session
Thursday, November 18	Technology/West County Session
Friday, December 3 OR Monday, December 13	Four Corners Bus Tour
Thursday, December 16	Health & Human Services Session
Thursday, January 20 Friday, January 21	Mid-Year Retreat
Thursday, February 17	Law & Public Safety Session
Thursday, March 17	Education Session
Thursday, April 21	Agriculture/South County Session
Thursday, May 19	Environment Session
Thursday, June 16 Friday, June 17	Cultural Arts/North County Session Closing Retreat