



Milton Leadership Institute prepares promising leaders for positions of responsibility by acquainting them with significant community processes and pressing issues. Participants will engage in discussions with established leaders, go behind-the-scenes at key institutions/organizations, build their leadership skills, create a lasting network of contacts, and research and present an idea for a potential future community project with a goal of giving back to the community.

With a better understanding of the community's needs and their own potential, participants can contribute their new knowledge and skills to their companies, their clients, and their communities, the result being professional development, area growth, and improved economic health.

Goals and Objectives:

The program's goal is to prepare future community leaders for positions of responsibility by:

- Acquainting them with significant community processes, programs, and problems.
- Teaching them about involvement opportunities, special challenges, and demands using forums with current leaders.
- Improving understanding of various economic, social, and political forces impacting the community.
- Providing a network of new community talent for service on public and private commissions, agencies, organizations, and associations.
- Providing leadership skill-building, including teamwork, communication, decision-making, and more.
- Creating an opportunity to enact newly-learned skills and knowledge through a presentation about a potential future community project.

Qualifications:

- A sincere concern about the future of our community and commitment to help shape its future.
- Commitment through past and present community involvement.
- A demonstrated capacity for leadership within a local organization that the individual is currently employed or involved.
- A willingness to commit the energy necessary to complete the 9-month program, including attendance at all monthly sessions and some outside involvement, including participation in Milton's Make a Difference Day

Selection Process:

Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of members of the MLI steering committee, which is comprised of various MACC board members and other leaders within MACC. Program is limited to 12 participants.

Participants: Employees, companies, government, and professionals anxious to grow and become more effective.



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Tuition: \$350. Sponsorship opportunities will be available.

Tuition is non-refundable.

Sessions: The program requires attendance one day per month starting in September and ending in May. Each meeting is held at a location appropriate to the topic of the session, so that participants gain a broader view of the community. MACC members (restaurants, businesses, nonprofits, government/school entities, etc) act as hosts for each program. Some of the year-long sessions will likely include the following:

- Role of Chamber/Committee & Leadership Opportunities – Real Colors Training
- Nonprofits Impact/Needs in the Community
- Conflict Management Training
- City of Milton Roles/Responsibilities/Community Involvement Opportunities
- Public Speaking/Presentation Skills Training
- School District of Milton Roles/Responsibilities/Community Involvement Opportunities
- History of Milton/Tourism
- Business/Industry in Milton/Economic Development Opportunities
- Graduation/Presentations/Individual Written Reports

Participants are expected to attend all sessions. If candidates are unable to commit to the program schedule, it is not in their best interest to apply at this time. Graduation is dependent on attendance and participation in the program.

Format: Each session is planned by the MLI Steering Committee. The sessions provide participants with local/community information and leadership training. Participants are introduced to key leaders, conducted through a series of presentations, trainings, group discussions, and tours. In each session, dialogue is established among participants. Leadership skills are challenged in some group project work and other exercises. Finally, participants are asked for a final report that defines the benefits of the MLI program, description of what the participant learned, how they will use the program, and any recommendations they have for the future of the program.

Organizational Structure: The Leadership Program is administered through the Milton Area Chamber of Commerce and MLI Steering Committee. MACC Board of Directors governs program structure, budget, fees and oversees MLI Steering Committee.



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APPLICATION

APPLICATION DEADLINE: July 31, 2020

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Preferred Phone: _____

Preferred Email: _____

Number of years you have lived or worked in Milton: _____

Present Employer: _____

Work Address: _____

Job Title: _____

Will you be sponsored by a chamber member business or organization? Yes No

Briefly describe any current or recent volunteer activities, and list any organizations with which you are affiliated. _____

List any leadership training to which you have been exposed to:

What leadership skill(s) would you like to strengthen or learn more about?



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What are three key issues or opportunities you would like to see addressed in Milton?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____

What do you hope to gain as a participant in Milton Leadership Institute?

Days/Times that you have other commitments that cannot be worked around (list days, times and reason): _____

AGREEMENT:

In submitting this application, I agree to:

Attend all sessions and Milton Make a Difference Day activity. MLI will likely fall on the third Tuesday (morning) of every month, September through May, unless we have multiple applicants where that day/timeframe doesn't work and we decide to adjust. MLI reserves the right to change class session dates based on weather conditions, venue and speaker availability. Participants will be given advance notice of any schedule changes.

Be an active, positive, contributing member of the class and work in a collaborative manner.

Complete all assignments.

Have access to a computer and a personal email account.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Sponsor Signature: _____

Date: _____



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