



LEADERSHIP COLUMBIA

2012

COLUMBIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & FAIR MISSOURI FOUNDATION



Cultivate and develop leadership skills, positively impacting both personally and professionally

Recognize interactions between private citizens and public organizations



See Columbia in terms of the "big picture"

Be prepared to serve the community

Know more people – from classmates to presenters to steering committee members



Better understand the community and its leaders



Gain networking contacts

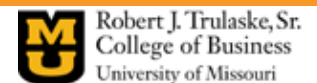


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Leadership Columbia is a program developed by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce and the Fair Missouri Foundation and sponsored by **Trulaske College of Business** to identify, cultivate and motivate future community leaders. This informative and thought-provoking program introduces participants to the community, exposes them to its challenges and requires them to fully participate in the 12-session curriculum which ultimately supports the Chamber's strategic initiatives and goals.

Whether it's a lively panel discussion, an interesting field trip or a group activity, each session is specifically designed to expose participants to all aspects of a particular topic.

Although the preliminary schedule below shows the commitment required, it is important to understand that this is an intensive program, with sessions from 8 a.m.—5 p.m. (times subject to change) with work outside of class time. If your schedule does not allow for full participation, consider whether or not **Leadership Columbia** is right for you. If you have a conflict with one of the session dates please consider waiting to apply until next year.

Leadership Columbia 2012 Schedule:

Jan 10 - Orientation ● Jan 20-21 - Retreat ● Jan 24 - Social Services ● Feb 7 - Healthcare ● Feb 21 - Education ● Mar 6 - State Government ● Mar 20 - City & County Government/Local Issues ● April 3 - Media ● April 17 - Life Sciences & Agriculture ● May 1 - Arts & Recreation ● May 15 - Growth & Economy ● June 5 - Graduation

The Selection Process

Each potential participant must submit a completed application, resume, and a tuition check for \$700 to be considered for the program. Scholarships are available in the **Leadership Columbia** Application. Completed applications and tuition payments must be received by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce by **Thursday, October 20, 2011, 5 p.m.**

Each application is reviewed by a Selection Committee. In addition to reviewing each individual's qualifications, the committee will also look for a broad spectrum of experience and background. Selection for **Leadership Columbia** is based on the following criteria:

- **Involvement in professional and/or managerial positions;**
- **Demonstrated ability and desire to assume greater community leadership responsibility;**
- **A clear willingness to make a commitment to the demands of the program and the community in subsequent years; and**
- **Proof of the full support of the organization or business they represent.**

Applicants will be notified of their acceptance into the program by November 3, 2011. At that point, participants will be required to submit a current professional photograph to be used throughout the year before receiving a final 2012 schedule for **Leadership Columbia**.

Worth Your Time

Although the application and selection process for **Leadership Columbia** is challenging, and the commitment of time and energy extensive, anyone who has been through the program will confirm how beneficial it is to those interested in taking a leadership role in the community. If you have questions about the program, feel free to contact the 2012 **Leadership Columbia** Steering Committee members.

2012 Leadership Columbia Steering Committee

John Bucksath, Co-chair (ABC Laboratories, Inc.) ● Jim Yankee, Co-chair (Flat Branch Mortgage) ● John Bailey (Boone County National Bank) ● Kara Barker (State Farm - Columbia Op Center) ● Gale Blomenkamp (Boone County Fire District) ● Kerrie Bloss (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central MO) ● Jennifer Deaver (Stephens College) ● Sarah Dubbert (Commerce Bank) ● John Fabsits (Boy Scouts of America-Great Rivers Council) ● Holly Gieseke (Landmark Bank) ● Mike Grellner (Plaza Commercial Realty) ● Lyle Johnson (Commerce Bank) ● Leighanne Lamb (Landmark Bank) ● Anna Lawrence (Word Marketing) ● Alice Leeper (RE/MAX Boone Realty - Leeper) ● Jessica Macy (Boone County Council on Aging) ● Joanie Mains (Commerce Bank) ● Amy Mize (ABC Laboratories, Inc.) ● Beth Moore (Landmark Bank) ● Jason Mott (First State Community Bank) ● Kristin Mullins (State Farm - Columbia Op Center) ● Jerome Rader (MBS Textbook Exchange, Inc.) ● Kristi Ray (Columbia Chamber of Commerce) ● Tony Richards (Word Marketing) ● Vicki Russell (Columbia Daily Tribune/Tribune Pub. Co.) ● Jim Sharrock (Columbia Area Career Center) ● Krista Shouse-Jones (City of Columbia) ● Sean Siebert (Columbia College - Business Admin) ● Melissa Smith (Boone Hospital Center) ● Lee Terry (Columbia Board of REALTORS®) ● Jocelyn Tipton (Bucket Media, Inc.) ● Steve Wiegenstein (Columbia College) ● Ryan Williams (City of Columbia)

Questions?

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Instructions

Print or type the application in black ink. (Additional pages may be used) ● Attach your resume (professional background, community involvement, education). ● Obtain a signature from your employer. ● Sign the application. ● Enclose payment or apply for a scholarship.

Applicant Information

Last Name First Name Preferred First Name Years in Columbia

Business Name Title Years in Current Job

Work Address Zip Phone Email

Have you participated in a leadership program in another community? Yes No

If yes, please describe _____

Is this the first time you have applied for this program? Yes No

Please answer the following questions in the space provided:

Describe a personal or professional goal you have set for yourself and the specific steps you took to achieve that goal. _____

Identify an issue in Columbia that needs to be changed and how would you go about changing this issue? _____

If you choose to be involved with one community organization, what would it be and why?

What are your five or ten year goals?

Which Chamber committee will you be willing to participate on during this program year and why?

Optional Information *The following information is optional and is not used in the selection process.*

Previous Place of Residence Marital Status Names of Spouse & Children



Class Attendance

If you cannot commit this year, please consider applying for a future session. Participants may only miss one full session or two half sessions to be eligible for graduation. Missing any more sessions will result in the co-chairs considering your dismissal from the class with forfeiture of the tuition.

Employer's Agreement

I fully support the application of _____ to the 2012 Leadership Columbia Program. I represent his/her employer and am willing to make the necessary time available to them to fully participate in all scheduled classes and activities.

Employer Signature _____ Date _____

Applicant's Agreement

If selected as a participant, I am willing to attend all the functions sponsored by the program, and I understand that attendance is mandatory. I understand if I fail to meet any of the program obligations, I may be asked to withdraw or may not graduate with my class. I agree the information contained on this application may be used for Leadership Columbia promotions, activities and projects, as deemed appropriate by the Columbia Chamber of Commerce.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Tuition and Scholarships

Payment of \$700 must accompany this application unless you are applying for a scholarship. If you are not accepted for admission to the 2012 Leadership Columbia class, your tuition will be refunded in full. Submit a check payable to the **Fair Missouri Foundation** or pay by credit card:

MasterCard Visa Discover American Express Check Payable to Fair Missouri Foundation

Account No. _____

Exp. Date. _____

Signature _____

Jose Lindner Scholarship

The Fair Missouri Foundation awards two scholarships in the name of Jose Lindner. Jose was the founder of the Forum Development Group and a prominent business person in Columbia. He was a Chamber of Commerce Chair of the board and an Ambassador. Jose passed away in 2010.

Ron Marley Scholarship

Each year a Women's Network member may win this scholarship to participate in the Leadership Columbia program. Ron was a Shelter Insurance agent active in the community and the Chamber of Commerce. He was the first male Women's Network member. Ron, his wife Sharon and two of his three children were tragically killed in a car accident in 1997.

To apply for one of three scholarships, please complete the following. By applying for a scholarship, you are stating that you are unable to pay for the program.

Name _____ Title _____ Phone _____

Describe your business or organization goals. _____

Explain why your organization is in need of scholarship assistance. _____

Are you a member of Women's Network? _____

Submit Your Application

Your completed application (*including tuition payment and copy of your professional resume*) must be received at the Columbia Chamber of Commerce no later than **5 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, 2011** to: **Leadership Columbia, Columbia Chamber of Commerce, 300 South Providence Road, P.O. Box 1016, Columbia, MO 65205-1016**

