



LEADERSHIP SOMERSET COUNTY 2025-26 COURSE OUTLINE AND GUIDE

YOUR LEADERSHIP ADVENTURE BEGINS...

LEADERSHIP RETREAT, INDIAN LAKE RESORT

- Wednesday, September 24 & Thursday, September 25
- 2-Day retreat with sessions all day and evening on Wednesday and ½ day on Thursday.
- Includes breakfast, lunch, dinner & refreshment breaks
- Overnight accommodations are available at no cost

ABOUT THE RETREAT: Please note that dress is casual. Sessions are very informative and interactive, focused on team building and leadership skills. Please inform us of any special dietary issues before the retreat. Contact the Chamber for details at 445-6431. The retreat is a crucial part of the program, since it allows the opportunity to meet and connect with your classmates, which has a profound effect on your leadership year.

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Facilitated by: Ron Aldom, Somerset County Chamber

TEAMBUILDING LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Facilitated by: Dr. Bill Rocks

CLASS PROJECTS

As part of the curriculum, the class will be divided into groups, with each group responsible for a project. Details will be presented during the retreat on the specifics. The projects are designed to have a lasting impact and will focus on issues that affect our county and region. The projects must be underway and potentially completed by the end of the Leadership year. Periodic update sessions will take place during the year, as well. Ideas for projects are always

CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

We strongly advise you to explore our county and region through all possible means, including websites, visitation, social media, and discussion. Come prepared to discuss issues you feel are important to the success of our county and region, as well as what you see as strengths or weaknesses that promote or deter your personal and professional growth.

The goal of Leadership Somerset County is to give you an overview of aspects of the county through interaction with key leaders representing all facets of our county and region. Thus, you will be better prepared to step into leadership roles in your community and businesses.

MONTHLY SESSIONS

Attendance is MANDATORY. If, for any reason, you cannot attend a session, you must contact Ron Aldom or a member of the Chamber staff before that session. You **MUST** attend a **minimum of 8 classes** and the Retreat to get your certificate of completion. Your employer/sponsor is updated on attendance. Meeting locations will be announced before that specific session.

Wednesday, October 22nd, 8 AM - 3 PM	Human Services/Community Non-profits/Civic Engagement
Wednesday, November 19th, 8 AM - 4 PM	Healthcare
Wednesday, December 17th, 8:30 AM - 4PM	Judicial System & Local Government
Wednesday, January 21st, 8 AM - 4 PM	Business Development & Entrepreneurialism
Wednesday, February 18th, 8 AM - 4 PM	Economic Development
Wednesday, March 18th, 8 AM - 3 PM	Education & Workforce Development
Wednesday, April 1st, 8 AM - 3 PM	Regional Leadership Session
Wednesday, April 22nd, 8 AM - 4 PM	Agriculture, Energy & Natural Resources
Wednesday, May 20th, 8 AM - 4 PM	Our Heritage/Quality of Life Bus Tour Included
Wednesday, June 17th, 10 AM - 2 PM	Graduation Ceremony/Wrap-up session

DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, ALTHOUGH THE DATES AND TIMES ARE SET AND SHOULD BE ACCURATE