Leadership Greater Topeka

2017 APPLICATION

1. Please save the fillable PDF application to your computer before entering any information. Once the application is saved, then open it and you will be able to enter your responses before printing and signing your final application. Handwritten applications will **NOT** be accepted.

2. Applications must be received at the Greater Topeka Chamber of Commerce, 120 SE Sixth Ave., Suite 110, by 4:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, 2016. Send one PDF to Jensen Moore, jmoore@TopekaChamber.org, and send one hard copy with original signatures to Kim Gronniger, vice president of marketing.

3. Please limit all answers to available space (four pages maximum).

4. Chamber membership is not a requirement to participate.

5. Letters of reference or resumes will not be used in the selection process.

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Name:_____
(First Name) (Preferred Name) (Middle Name) (Last Name)

Home Address:_____
(Street) (City) (ZIP)

Home Phone:_____ Preferred Email Address:_____

EDUCATION

Begin with high school, then college(s), business or trade school(s) and/or other specialized training.

Name of School and City | Dates (From-To) | Degree | Major

BUSINESS

Business or Association Affiliation (if any):

Business Mailing Address: ZIP:

Job Title: Work Phone:

Brief Description of Job Responsibilities:

If not presently employed, have you ever worked in the Topeka area? Yes_____ No_____ If yes, where and in what position?

Describe your most significant career achievement to date within the space provided.

Topeka Chamber
120 SE Sixth Ave., Suite 110
Topeka, Kansas 66603-3515
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ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

A. Please list up to three civic, professional, business, religious, social, community, athletic or other organizations of which you have been a member.

1. Organization: Role:

   Dates of Membership:

   Describe Your Involvement:

2. Organization: Role:

   Dates of Membership:

   Describe Your Involvement:

3. Organization: Role:

   Dates of Membership:

   Describe Your Involvement:

B. What do you consider your most important accomplishment in **one** of the above organizations? Why?

C. Describe what you believe to be your most significant contribution to the community (include former communities if applicable). Why?

D. How much time each month do you commit to the above organizations? _____ (average hours per month)

E. What are your areas of interest for leadership involvement (i.e., education, human services, health, economic development, government, arts/cultural, other)?

F. If you have not had the time or interest to become actively involved, what conditions have changed that now enable you to seek involvement in the community?

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GENERAL

One of the goals of Leadership Greater Topeka is to bring together individuals from diverse backgrounds who can share their opinions and thoughts about issues facing the Greater Topeka area.

1. What is one change in our community (Topeka/Shawnee County) you'd like to be involved with? Why are you interested in making this change happen? Who will this change benefit?

2. Describe a time when you have reached outside your normal professional or personal network to accomplish a goal.

3. What personal expertise or skills from your work or volunteer experience do you bring to either of the above issues?

4. Why do you want to be a member of the Leadership Greater Topeka 2017 Class?

5. Is there anything else you would like to discuss about yourself or your experience that would aid in the selection process (i.e., awards, honors, personal goals, etc.)?

PERSONAL INFORMATION (Information is used to achieve a balanced, diverse class.)

Career Classification

____Social Services	____Religion	____Labor	____Business/Industry
____Health	____Government	____Volunteer	____Education
____Media	____Arts/Cultural	____Law	____Other (please specify):

Age Range: ____21-30 ____31-40 ____41-50 ____51+

Gender: _____Male _____Female

What is your ethnic background?_____

How long have you lived in Topeka?_____

What is your **home** ZIP code?_____

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ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES

If accepted into the Leadership Greater Topeka program, you or your company/organization will be billed for the tuition fee of $875, which covers all program materials, meals, social hours and transportation. Partial scholarships are available. The Selection Committee will award scholarships based on need. Are you interested in receiving scholarship assistance?

_____Yes _____No Amount requested: $ _____ (Please do not send payment with your application.)

COMMITMENT BY APPLICANT

Leadership Greater Topeka requires attendance and participation in the two-day retreat and all class activities, sessions and the celebration luncheon. Please make note of the program schedule on the 2017 Leadership Greater Topeka information sheet.

I understand that if selected I will be expected to spend up to 15 hours outside the scheduled orientation, two-day retreat and eight sessions preparing for class presentations and projects.

_____Yes _____No

I understand that if selected I must attend the introductory two-day retreat, all sessions and the celebration luncheon in their entirety. Only one excused absence (nine hours) from Sessions 1-8 will be permitted. Any additional or unexcused absences will prevent graduation from the program.

_____Yes _____No

Signature of Applicant:_____

EMPLOYER COMMITMENT

Applicants for Leadership Greater Topeka must have the support and commitment of their business or organization. The signature of the head of the applicant's organization (locally) is necessary as an indication of the support of the applicant's participation in the program.

_____has my full support for the time and personal commitment required to participate in

Leadership Greater Topeka. I understand that attendance at the two-day retreat and all class activities, sessions and the celebration luncheon is required for the successful completion of the program.

Name:_____ Title:_____

Signature:_____ Date:_____

CONVERSATION WITH ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVES

We ask each applicant for the 2017 Leadership Greater Topeka program to visit with two alumni in a brief, informal meeting. This meeting is intended to acquaint applicants with the scope of the program and allow alumni an opportunity to visit with you about your goals and vision for the Greater Topeka area. Please indicate your first, second and third preferred time for this meeting. The meeting should take no longer than 10 minutes. If none of these times work for you, please check the bottom line and you will be called to make special arrangements. Thank you!

_____ Tuesday, Nov. 1, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

_____ Wednesday, Nov. 2, 8-10 a.m.

_____ Wednesday, Nov. 2, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

_____ Wednesday, Nov. 2, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

_____ I am not available at any of these times. Please call me at _____ to find another time.

Send follow-up information to my: _____Home Address _____Work Address

Note: Application must be no more than four pages maximum.
Original signatures are required.

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