



# LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY



## Application Form

### INSTRUCTIONS

Please Type or Print Clearly

Limit your responses to the space provided. Applications must be signed by you and your employer/sponsor.

### PERSONAL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Application

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Last First Middle

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Miss  Dr.

Prefer to be called: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Home Address:</b>			
Number	Street		
City	State	Zip Code	
Phone	E-mail		

<b>Business Address:</b>		
Title		
Name of Organization		
Street		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Fax	
E-mail		

Send mail to my: Home address   
Business address

Length of Residence in Blair County area: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse/Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ and Names & Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies and Special Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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Leadership Blair County is committed to selecting a class which is representative of the professional, race, cultural, and ethnic diversity of the community. Your response to the following will assist the Selection Committee in determining class mix.

Caucasian  African American  Latino  Asian  
 Native American  Other \_\_\_\_\_

18-30  31-44  45 and over

Check one of the following categories which best describes your present employment:

Business/Industry  Law  Government  Labor  Health  Education  Social Services  Non Profit  
 Religion  Arts  Media  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## EDUCATION

(List high school, college(s), advanced degrees and/or specific training):

**Name and Location of School**

**Dates (from-to)**

**Degree and Major**

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Leadership positions held or special honors:

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## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list, in order of importance to you, current community, civic, religious, political, social, athletic or other activities in which you are involved and indicate your role in those activities at this time. (Do not include business/professional activities).

**Organization**

**Position Held**

**Period of Affiliation**

from to

from to

from to

from to

from to

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

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## COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE

(One of the goals of *LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY* is to build a network of community leaders who can enhance their problem-solving and other leadership abilities through shared perspectives and working together.)

Discuss the most significant problems facing Blair County today.

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Discuss the most notable opportunities Blair County has to offer.

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How could a small group of Leadership Blair County participants address one of these problems or opportunities through a short-term group project?

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If given unlimited energy/resources and opportunities - What one single significant issue in Blair County would you direct your attention to? Please explain:

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What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to gain from your participation in LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY, and in return what contribution do you feel could you make to the program?

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## TUITION

If accepted into Leadership Blair County, you will be billed for the tuition fee of \$1700, which covers all program costs and materials, including room and meals at the Retreat. Tuition is non-refundable and is payable in full by August 31<sup>st</sup>, unless other arrangements are made with Leadership Blair County.

To assure the diversity of the program, financial assistance, based on need and class composition, is extended once selection has been made to those persons or organizations who are unable to meet the tuition requirements. Since tuition grants are limited, each participant and sponsor will be asked to contribute some portion of the tuition. Payment plans are also available, in which tuition is paid over an extended period of time. A participant who is on scholarship is required to pay 10% of the total tuition costs prior to the orientation in order to demonstrate a personal commitment to the program.

Will you require financial assistance to participate in the program?  No  Yes\*

If yes, check one  Tuition Grant  Payment Plan (specific arrangements to be made upon selection)

\*Applicants requesting financial assistance must complete the enclosed insert form marked Tuition Grant Application. Please return the form separately. The Selection Committee will not see this form until after the selection process has been completed.

## COMMITMENT

Candidates for Leadership Blair County must be concerned about the future state of Blair County and be committed to personal involvement in shaping its future.

In order to accomplish Leadership Blair County's objectives, full commitment and participation of each individual selected is necessary. A participant is expected to attend all sessions, including:

**Orientation:** September (full day)

**Retreat:** October

**Program Sessions:** One full weekday per month from October through June  
(Dates are given for a full calendar year)

### Preparatory Work and

**Class Project:** Special activities are arranged for class members to enhance their understanding of each program session. Each class member should make an effort to participate in as many of these special activities as possible. All are expected to complete the advance reading assignments prior to each session, in addition to participating in the class project.

**Commencement:** June

*Full support from the applicant's employer is required, both in terms of financial commitment and the time to participate effectively in Leadership Blair County.*

*Following completion of the program, participants are expected to stay active in the organization to continually enhance their Leadership experience and to help strengthen the program for the future.*

## EMPLOYER'S COMMITMENT

I have reviewed this application and fully support this individual's participation in Leadership Blair County, and agree to the time and financial commitment required for the program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## APPLICANT'S COMMITMENT

I certify that all of the information I have provided in this application is complete and true, and that all the statements and essays are my own work.

If selected, I am fully prepared to be an active participant, by attending all sessions, being fully involved in the class project, and devoting the time and resources required to complete the Leadership Blair County program. I am willing to commit my support, volunteer time, energy, and skills in future years.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Confirmation will be sent upon receipt of application and personal interviews will be scheduled by the LBC Selection Committee.*

# LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY TUITION GRANT APPLICATION

Tuition for LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY is \$1700. It is expected that out of this total amount, each individual will contribute 10% toward the tuition, maximum of \$170, as their personal commitment to the program.

The policy of LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY is to provide financial/scholarship assistance to those candidates who are accepted into the program and demonstrate need in order to fully participate. Financial assistance/scholarship is based on the number of requests received and the amount of funds available each year. Financial/scholarship assistance will not be granted for the personal \$170 portion under any circumstances. A payment plan for tuition may be established and the payment schedule will not exceed three months.

Consideration for financial/scholarship assistance is based primarily on demonstrated need (priority is given to those applicants who are employed in the non-profit sector, self-employed or not employed).

Applicants employed by large, private-sector companies would typically not be eligible for assistance; however, to be considered for assistance, you and your employer must complete the following information and submit it to LEADERSHIP BLAIR COUNTY by June 30. It will not be part of the selection process; scholarship monies will be allocated once selection of the class is complete.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Employer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

1. Financial resources available for tuition:
- |   |          |               |
|---|----------|---------------|
| Personal funds of application:                | \$ _____ |               |
| Other sources:                                | \$ _____ | Source: _____ |
|   | \$ _____ | Source: _____ |
|   | \$ _____ | Source: _____ |
| Total Financial Resources Available           | \$ _____ |               |
| Amount of Tuition/Scholarship being requested | \$ _____ |               |

2. Give a brief statement of your financial need for assistance, including a description of your specific financial situation. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. I request consideration for a monthly payment plan for my personal commitment monies. I can afford a maximum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month to be paid in full by \_\_\_\_\_ (no later than November).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

**To be completed by employer or other source(s) contributing to the payment of tuition.**

I confirm that I have reviewed this application and that our company/organization will contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as the sponsor's portion of the above applicant's tuition.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete all questions and return under separate cover no later than June 30<sup>th</sup> to Leadership Blair County, Blair County Chamber of Commerce, Devorris Center for Business Development, Suite 12, 3900 Industrial Park Drive, Altoona, PA 16602