

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Training, Resources, & Colleagues: Support for People Working to Improve Their Communities

Our Goal: Developing Community Leaders

The Community Leadership Institute provides comprehensive training for people who work in community organizations and want to strengthen their leadership skills. By offering neighborhood volunteers and community organization staff members the skills and information they need to become more effective leaders, the Institute addresses the challenges these leaders face in their work to build healthy, vibrant communities.

By attending the Community Leadership Institute, you will:

- Build your personal capacity to lead.
- Develop skills to help your organization become better managed and more accountable.
- Access tools and resources to assist you in your work.
- Increase your cross-cultural effectiveness
- Learn through the interaction and support of instructors and peers, and through more traditional classroom instruction.
- Build a support network with other community leaders in the Twin Cities.

Curriculum

The course helps participants understand the structure of nonprofit organizations and the dynamics of community work. Topics include:

- Examining the nature of community
- Reading and understanding financial statements
- Fundraising
- Resolving conflict
- Project management and implementation
- The ethical challenges of working in community

In Level 2, the coursework builds upon the concepts of Level 1 and includes work on independent projects directly related to individual community work.

Certificate of Completion

Participants will earn a certificate of completion in Community Leadership after finishing two successive levels of the Institute. Also, after completing each level participants earn 3.6 CEUs.

Schedule	Fall 2004	Spring 2005
Level 1:	Thursdays Sept. 23 – Dec. 16 (No class Nov. 25)	Tuesdays Jan. 25 – Apr. 19 (No class Mar. 22)
Level 2:	Tuesdays Sept. 21 – Dec. 14 (No class Nov. 2)	Thursdays Jan. 27 – Apr. 21 (No class Mar. 24)

Classes are held from 6 – 9 p.m. at the Minneapolis Campus of the University of St. Thomas, 1000 LaSalle Avenue.

Applications accepted until *September 6, 2004* for fall sessions; applications accepted until *January 11, 2005* for spring sessions.

Completion of Level 1 is a prerequisite for enrollment in Level 2.

Cost

The cost of the Institute is \$1,250 per level. The Metropolitan Alliance of Community Centers (MACC) and Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) provide substantial financial support for participants who meet specific criteria. Additional limited scholarships may be available through the Center for Nonprofit Management.

Contact Margie Siegel at 651-962-4291 or msiegel@stthomas.edu for an application and further information.