

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.

The Community Leadership Institute boasts a learning environment modeling the principles and strategies leaders need to use to be effective in their communities. Emerging leaders with advanced degrees learn side-by-side with those who are attending their first class in a university setting. Representing the diversity that is the fabric of our urban neighborhoods, the Institute offers the opportunity to explore together the dynamic work of community leadership.

"The *Community Leadership Institute* answers all your questions about how to be active in your community."

– Lyle Iron Moccasin,
American Indian OIC

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Community Leadership Institute

"Through my *Community Leadership Institute* project, I demonstrated leadership by looking around at what was going on in my community and taking the risk of doing something about it."

– Colnese Hendon, Sabathani
Community Center

How to Apply

To apply to participate in the Community Leadership Institute, complete the application on the separate insert and return it by **August 6, 2004** (for enrollment in the fall sessions) or **January 11, 2005** (for enrollment in the spring sessions) to:

Community Leadership Institute
Center for Nonprofit Management
COB, University of St. Thomas
TMH 153, 1000 LaSalle Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55403-2005
Fax: 651-962-4125

Cost of the Program

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.

Apply soon! Participation is limited and the program fills quickly.

Visit us online:

www.stthomas.edu/cnm/cli/cli.htm



The Community Leadership Institute is offered collaboratively by the Center for Nonprofit Management – University of St. Thomas, the Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program, and the Metropolitan Alliance of Community Centers.

"I really valued the support and networking opportunities provide by the *Community Leadership Institute* ... It's great to feel connected to a group of individuals who have the passion and drive to help make the Twin Cities a great place to call home."

– Jennifer Valley, Webber-Camden
Neighborhood Organization

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

TRAINING, RESOURCES,
& COLLEAGUES:
SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WORKING TO
IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNITIES

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 <i>No class Nov. 25</i>	Tuesdays Jan. 25 – April 19 <i>No class March 22</i>
Level 2	Tuesdays Sept. 21 – Dec. 14 <i>No class Nov. 2</i>	Thursdays Jan. 27 – April 21 <i>No class March 24</i>

Applications accepted until August 6, 2004 for fall session; applications accepted until January 4, 2005 for spring session.

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

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

"The *Community Leadership Institute* was highly interactive and stimulating. Class members were not only challenged to make effective use of the ideas and materials from the sessions, but they were also encouraged to affect real change in their respective communities."

– Bill Alleksaht, Pillsbury
United Communities

The 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.

"As a community leader, I am proud that I have become more capable... I have become more confident as a leader."

– Abdirashed Elmi, Seward
Neighborhood Group

Continue Your Education

The Community Leadership Institute is committed to the ongoing education and support of its participants. We encourage those who did not complete the Institute training to contact Margie Siegel at 651-962-4291 to learn more about fulfilling these requirements and receiving the Certificate of Completion.

The Community Leadership Institute is planning opportunities for alumni to gather for continued training and collegiality. Please call 651-962-4291 for further information.