

Testimonials from Leadership Graduates



2018-19 Pat Kendall of Kaiser Permanente sharing her leadership journey.

The San Rafael Leadership Institute experience has broadened my understanding of how our community functions. We can't be involved in every aspect of the community, so these class sessions introduced me to new areas like our educational system and agriculture and expanded my understanding in familiar areas like nonprofits, foundations, government and the arts.

Yvonne Roberts
Development & Marketing Director
Whistlestop

The program proved a great source of knowledge on how the community functions and how we, as a business, can operate more effectively within the community. The sessions were relevant and interesting and the networking was excellent. I found the entire program completely worthwhile and enjoyable. The benefits far exceeded the minimal cost of this well-run program.

Steve Fox
Chief Financial Officer
EO Products

I can happily say that the commitment and time spent in our class was well worth it for my professional growth and improved knowledge of Marin County and San Rafael. The networking opportunities the class afforded with other local professionals and business owners was priceless. I wholeheartedly recommend this class to anyone with the opportunity to participate.

Peter Edwards,
General Manager
MV Transportation

2019-2020 Application Deadlines & Costs

Application Deadline: September 13, 2019
Application can be found at srchamber.com/leadershipsanrafael

Tuition
San Rafael Chamber Member: \$1,350
Non-Member: \$1,650

Completed applications and tuition due by 3pm, September 13, 2019. Please make checks payable to the San Rafael Chamber of Commerce Leadership Institute.

Curriculum

- October 3 ^{1/2 day} Orientation and Overview
- October 10 Leadership Training & DISC Exercises
- November 7 Government & Politics
- December 5 Economy, Transportation, and Housing
- January 16 Health and Human Services
- February 13 Education and the Canal Neighborhood
- March 12 Public Safety, Justice and the Media
- April 16 Arts & Our Diverse Community
- May 14 Environment & Sustainability
- June 4 Wrap-up/Graduation

Leadership Institute Partners

Bank of Marin - California Film Institute - City of San Rafael - College of Marin - County of Marin - EO Products - Embassy Suites Hotel - Guide Dogs for the Blind - Kaiser Permanente - Marin Convention & Visitors Bureau - Marin Sanitary Service - The Marin School - Wells Fargo



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Leadership Institute 2019-2020

Marin County's premier leadership development program



"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."
John Quincy Adams

San Rafael Leadership Institute 2019-2020

The San Rafael Leadership Institute is the premier program for professionals seeking to make a difference in their community, expand their network, and understand Marin County from the ground up.

What is the Leadership Institute?

The San Rafael Leadership Institute, a program of the San Rafael Chamber of Commerce, offers a singular opportunity to develop leadership and team-building skills while learning about current issues that impact Marin County. The program brings together many of Marin's policy makers and offers participants the chance to build relationships with key stakeholders in the county.

What is the Time Commitment?

The Institute meets once a month from October through June. Each full-day session is held at a different location in and around Marin, exposing participants to local businesses, community centers and government facilities.

What is the Class Project?

Each class will conceive of and carry out a class project. Previous projects have included a homelessness myth-busting campaign and community clean-up, the installation of three bike fixit stations, and fundraising for first responders. The skills achieved in this group setting, which include leadership vision, facilitated debate and decision-making, are geared to assist future leaders in mastering collaboration and collective problem-solving.

Who Should Attend?

Business owners and entrepreneurs, senior managers and department heads, consultants and independent contractors, nonprofit executive directors and senior staff, board chairs and directors, county and city management and community leaders.

Why Should I Take the Leadership Institute?

At the heart of the program is the opportunity to develop leadership skills alongside a group of dynamic, diverse individuals from many industries and disciplines. Team-building is a critical component of the Institute's leadership development philosophy. In addition to planning the class project, the class participates in exercises that demonstrate different leadership styles and many come away with a better understanding of the forces creating community change.

Many graduates have told us that they are surprised to learn so much about Marin, even though they have been residents for many years or even their entire lives.



Leadership Institute, Chair, Cecilia Zamora interviews Russ Columbo, CEO, Bank of Marin about his leadership journey.

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October	Orientation and Overview Leadership Training & DISC Exercises
November	Government & Politics
December	Economy, Transportation, and Housing
January	Health and Human Services
February	Education and the Canal Neighborhood
March	Public Safety, Justice and the Media San Quentin Tour (Optional)
April	Arts & Our Diverse Community
May	Tourism, Agriculture and the Environment
June	Wrap Up and Graduation



2018-19 Class participating in a mock city council meeting on short term rentals.

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Joe Garbarino discussing the history of Marin Sanitary Service and recycling challenges and successes in Marin

Previous Institute Speakers

As a San Rafael Leadership Institute participant, you will have the opportunity to learn directly from some of the most influential people in Marin County. Leaders from the fields of business, government, the arts and the nonprofit sphere will speak about their successes, challenges and leadership styles. Past speakers have included:

- Diana Bishop**, City of San Rafael Chief of Police
- Damon Connolly**, Marin County Supervisor
- Mary Jane Burke**, Marin Co. Superintendent of Schools
- Robert Doyle**, Marin County Sheriff
- Dr. David Wain Coon**, President, College of Marin
- Dr. Robert Eyler**, Chief Economist, Marin Economic Forum
- Mark Fishkin**, CEO, California Film Institute
- Joe and Patty Garbarino**, Marin Sanitary Service
- Matthew Hymel**, Marin County Administrator
- Patricia Kendall**, Kaiser Permanente Medical Grp Administrator
- AJ Brady**, Marin County Deputy District Attorney
- Joe O'Hehir**, CEO, Whistlestop
- Dr. Thomas Peters**, CEO, Marin Community Foundation
- Katie Rice**, Marin County Supervisor
- Dennis Rodoni**, Marin County Supervisor
- Judge Beverly Wood**, County of Marin
- Jose Varela**, Marin County Public Defender

Session Venues

- Art Works Downtown
- Bank of Marin
- The Buck Institute for Research on Aging
- Christopher B. Smith Rafael Film Center
- Guide Dogs for the Blind
- Marin County Board of Supervisors Chambers
- Marin Sanitary Service & Resource Recovery Center
- San Pedro Elementary School
- San Rafael City Hall & Council Chambers
- San Quentin Prison (optional visit)
- The Sausalito Bay Model
- Wells Fargo