



Class of 2016 - 2017 APPLICATION

Referred by _____

Date completed and submitted _____

- Applications with resume (*which includes your educational background and employment history*) must be submitted by email to: LeadershipPorterville93257@gmail.com by 5:00 pm, Friday, September 2, 2016. Additional pages may be attached to the application as needed to complete the questions.
- Interviews will be conducted by the Selection Committee on or prior to Friday, September 8, 2016
- Applicants will be notified of acceptance status on or prior to September 12, 2016.
- Applications will be handled in a confidential manner.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Over 21? Y/N _____ Male Female Years working/living in Porterville _____

Home Address _____
Street City Zip Code

Mailing Address _____
Street City Zip Code

Primary E-mail _____ Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Spouse _____

EMPLOYMENT

Present Employer _____ Date Began with Employer _____

Mailing Address _____
Street City Zip Code

Present Title _____ How long have you held this title? _____

Briefly describe your duties within the organization: _____

EDUCATION

Please indicate the highest level of education completed (*check one*)

High School
 Undergraduate
 Graduate Post
 Grad
 Military

Other (*please list*): _____

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Please list (*in order of importance to you*) up to five (5) communities, civic, professional, business, religious, social, athletic, and other organizations in which you are or have been a member.

ORGANIZATION	APPROX. DATES OF MEMBERSHIP	HIGHEST OFFICIAL POSITION HELD AND/OR AWARD RECEIVED
1 _____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____
5 _____	_____	_____

● Please list any additional awards or recognition you have received. *Please use extra paper, if necessary.*

● What do you anticipate your future involvement in the Porterville community or greater Porterville area to be? *Please use extra paper, if necessary.*

- Approximately how much time each month do you presently commit to community, civic, professional and other organizations/activities?

- Have you been as active in community, civic, professional, and other activities as you would like to be?

- If not, what have been the major barriers to your becoming involved?

GENERAL QUESTIONS

- What do you hope to gain from your participation in Leadership Porterville?

- What has most influenced your current leadership skills?

List two of your leadership strengths, and two leadership areas in which you seek improvement.

STRENGTHS	AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT
1 _____ _____	1 _____ _____
2 _____ _____	2 _____ _____

- What does leadership mean to you?

- Please identify and discuss one or two issues, opportunities or problems you think are of critical importance to the Porterville community. Give specific recommendations for approaching these items in 50 words or less.

RECOMMENDATION

Please include with your application and résumé one letter of recommendation, business or personal. All materials are due via email to: LeadershipPorterville93257@gmail.com no later than September 2, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

TUITION

Tuition for the Leadership Porterville program is \$600. Often employers pay all or a portion of the tuition fee, or a scholarship may be provided. It is, however, required that the participant pay a minimum of \$100 of the tuition. Payment must be received after notification of acceptance on or before September 16, 2016. If tuition is not received by this date, another applicant may be accepted in your place. Payment arrangements can be made if necessary and limited scholarships may be available. If financial assistance is desired, please attach a brief letter explaining your need. Transportation to and from sessions is not included. However, meals and materials are included. Class members are responsible for the purchase of a class shirt.

SESSION

The Leadership Porterville program consists of one evening session and one full day session each month. Sessions are generally scheduled on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays. Days are subject to change, the class will be notified of any schedule change as soon as possible.

EVENING SESSIONS

1st THURSDAY, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

September 20*
 October 6
 November 3
 December 1
 January 5
 February 2
 March 2
 April 6
 May 4

DAY SESSIONS

3rd THURSDAY, TIMES VARY

September 16-17 (retreat)
 October 20
 November 17
 December 15
 January 19
 February 16
 March 16
 April 20
 May 18 (graduation)

PARTICIPATION

The successful applicant will communicate a personal interest in the program by appearing on time for the selection interview, exhibiting self-confidence and poise, and by demonstrating knowledge of the program and a desire to complete the year-long requirements. He/She will also display motivation and a commitment to service by sharing with the committee his/her past and present activities in voluntary efforts. He/She will communicate interest/involvement in local problems by discussing an issue of concern that is impacting our community. The successful applicant will display a high potential for leadership.

Leadership Porterville participants build an effective resource base through networking with local business and community leaders and also attend monthly evening sessions where they discuss topical matters such as time management, conflict management, and group dynamics. Research assignments have also been included to enhance the curriculum.

In order for Leadership Porterville to accomplish its stated goals, the full participation of each individual class member is necessary. **Required participation guidelines include:**

- Participation in the year Class Orientation, Welcome Reception, and Graduation. *See page 5 for dates.*
- Attendance at the two-day Retreat, the two and a half day Sacramento session and final day session.
- Attendance at the monthly day sessions and attendance at one evening meeting each month during the program.
- Attendance at one City Council and one Board of Supervisors meeting is required.
- Full participation in the class community service project.
- Class members will also be asked to assume leadership roles requiring attendance at one steering committee meeting, the City of Hope function, and other community events as requested by the Leadership Porterville Board. All of these activities could result in up to 15 additional hours per month.
- 100% session attendance is the goal for each participant. However, all program absences must be approved in advance and must be made up within 60 days or prior to final session, whichever is first.

Dismissal from the program may occur if participation requirements are not met, or for other reasons in keeping with the core values of the program. Return of scholarship funds may be requested.

SIGNATURE

I understand the purpose of the Leadership Porterville program and that completion of this application does not guarantee program acceptance. If selected for the Class of 2016-17, I am willing to abide by the tuition and participation commitments as required by Leadership Porterville.

Applicant Signature

Date

Participants in the Leadership Porterville program must have the support and commitment of their employer if not self-employed. I am aware of the attendance and project participation requirement and offer my support.

Supervisor's Name / Title (print)

Signature

Date

Owner/Manager's Name / Title (print)

Signature

Date

Candidacy is open to all individuals regardless of age (21 or over), creed, race, gender, philosophy, orientation, or disability. Applications will be held in the strictest confidence. For your personal records, please make a copy of the documents you submit. Please send no money until notification of acceptance.