



Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County APPLICATION

Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County is sponsored by the Gordon County Chamber of Commerce. Its purpose is to provide leadership training to emerging community leaders. Opportunities are provided for participants to become more aware of community issues, needs, services and resources, and to be stimulated and motivated to use their talents and abilities to make our community an even better place to live, work and play.

*Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County begins with a weekend retreat in January for participants and their spouses. This will be followed by approximately eight sessions. The cost of the program is **\$425**. Participants arrange their own tuition or assistance by their employers.*

Instructions

- Please complete each section in full.

- Type or print.

- **Limit** answers to available space.

- **One** letter of recommendation will be accepted. **No other attachments will be considered.**

- Application **must be signed** by both **sponsor** and **candidate** and be received no later than **October 1st**.

Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County Selection Criteria

- Application to Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County is open to persons living or working in Gordon County. Twenty-eight individuals will be selected to participate in the program.
- Class members are chosen by the Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County Program Committee on their own merits based upon the information completed on the enclosed application. The Committee seeks representation from a cross section of the community including business, labor, education, the arts, religion, government, community-based organizations, ethnic and minority groups.
- Nominees must have the full support of the organization or corporation they represent.
- **Attendance** at the retreat and the sessions **is mandatory**.
- In reviewing applications, the Program Committee looks for potential participants who demonstrate the following criteria:
 - Commitment and motivation to serve Calhoun/Gordon County; personal history of community service and leadership.
 - Policy shaping responsibility or position of leadership in employment and/or volunteer organizations resulting in the potential to have significant influence on important issues facing the community.
 - Ability to make time commitment required by the program.
 - Interest in seeking public office, boards, commissions, or key volunteer leadership roles.
 - Likelihood of remaining in the community within the immediate future.

Confidential Application

Please type or print

I. Personal Data

Name _____
Last *First* *Middle*

Preferred Name (for name tags) _____ Male _____ Female _____ Date of Birth _____

Spouse's Name _____ Number of Children _____

Dietary Restrictions _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Occupation _____ Business Name _____

Business Phone _____ Business Address _____
Number *Street*

Business Email _____
City *State* *Zip*

Home Address _____
Number *Street*

Cell Phone _____ *City* *State* *Zip Code*
Years in Gordon County _____

Native State _____ Native County _____

II. Employment

Present Employer _____ Date of Hire _____

Type of Organization _____

Title or Responsibility _____ Since _____

A. List previous employment in reverse chronological order. Include active military duty.

Employer	Title/Responsibility	From	To
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

III. Education

(Begin with college(s), advanced degrees and/or specialized training)

A. Name/City of School	Dates (from/to)	Degree
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

B. Special Awards/Honors _____

IV. Activity Data

A. What have you done (anywhere, anytime) that has made you care about your community?

B. Major volunteer leadership role(s) at this time:

1. Organization _____ Position _____
Describe Responsibility _____
2. Organization _____ Position _____
Describe Responsibility _____
3. Organization _____ Position _____

C. What do you consider your most important accomplishment in one of these organizations? Why?

D. Please list, in order of importance to you, up to three other civic, professional, business, religious, social, community, athletic or other organizations of which you are or have been a member.

	Organization	Dates of Membership
1.	_____	_____
	Responsibility_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
	Responsibility_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
	Responsibility_____	_____

E. How much time each month do you commit to volunteer service? _____

F. What kinds of volunteer activities would you like to become active with in the future? _____

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

H. Church Affiliation_____

V. General Information

One of the goals of Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County is to build a network of community leaders who can enhance problem-solving and other leadership abilities through shared perspectives and working together.

A. What do you feel are the three most significant problems facing Calhoun/Gordon County today? _____

B. What do you feel needs to be done on one of these issues? _____

C. What are the three most notable opportunities Calhoun/Gordon County has to offer? _____

D. What do you feel needs to be done to develop one of these? _____

E. What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to gain from your participation in Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County? _____

VI. Recommendations

Sponsor

This candidate has my full support to participate in Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County. I am aware of the time commitment involved in his/her effective participation, as well as financial obligation. (This must be signed by the firm's chief executive officer, if other than applicant.)

Name _____ Title _____ Organization _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Personal Recommendations

Please list two persons other than your sponsor who are knowledgeable about your leadership performance and potential. You may submit one letter of recommendation from one of the persons listed below.

Name _____ Phone _____

Title _____ Organization _____

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Title _____ Organization _____

VII. Commitment

To graduate from Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County, a participant is expected to attend all sessions.

- Orientation Meeting: November
- Retreat: January
- Two days per month

Will you be able to fulfill this commitment? _____

Tuition for each participant is \$425. Payment is due by January 1.

I understand the goals and commitments of the Leadership Calhoun/Gordon County program. If selected, I will devote the **required time** and pay my tuition by **January 1**.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Nominator _____ Date _____

Send: * Completed Application
* One letter of recommendation

To: LEADERSHIP CALHOUN / GORDON COUNTY



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