



Preparing Community Leaders

"The only way for a community to be a better place to live and work is for its citizens to understand and accept their personal responsibility for what happens."

-Hans Neukomm



MISSION

It is the mission of Leadership Corvallis to provide a broad experience to engaged participants on how the community functions, and to prepare them through education and inspiration to actively shape the destiny of our area.

VISION

To promote a dynamic, empowered community by preparing citizens for active participation and leadership.

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Dear Graduates,

On behalf of our board of directors and the 603 graduates who have gone before you, congratulations on completing the Leadership Corvallis program. Welcome to the ranks of a distinguished group in this community: the alumni of Leadership Corvallis.

The talks and panels, treks and tours, historical background and future projections, games, and discussions were all for one purpose: to present a rich understanding of the amazing resources and activities in Corvallis, as well as the needs we hope you will choose to address.

Our community is a net and is only as strong as each knot. We need successful businesses of all sizes, accessible healthcare resources, educational opportunities for all ages and abilities, engaged and responsive civic services, thoughtful growth and affordability, sustainable resources, strong social services, and a beautiful and creative environment in which to live.

As you saw each day, these issues are complex and interconnected. The strength of one depends on the strength of another. You now have the awareness to identify where the needs are and how you, as a leader, can fit into the solution.

I hope you will take what you've experienced this year and reflect, ask questions, take action, and share what you've learned. Look to those who have come before you but also create opportunities for our future leaders. We are always Better Together.

Cheers to the Class of 2018: The Best Class Ever!

Sincerely,

Andrea Thornberry Class of 2006 President, Board of Directors

Program Sessions

Day 1: Welcome Community Leaders

Meeting at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library, this day focused on building relationships between participants, learning about Leadership Corvallis, practicing the leadership skill of appreciative inquiry, and being introduced to the Community Leadership model. We explored the history of Corvallis and the challenges and opportunities of being a college town and introduced the curriculum to the class.

Day 2: Government and Public Services

Starting at the Law Enforcement Center and ending at the City Council Chambers, this day focused on the leadership skill of analyzing stakeholders and on helping class members become active, knowledgeable participants in local government. A tour of the jail, a round table with department heads, and a budget exercise helped class members understand local government services.

Day 3: Human Services

Human Services day was held at the amazing Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis. This day focused on understanding what informs our decisions, the struggles members of our community face through a poverty simulation, and looking at intervention versus prevention funding models. The class participated in a shark tank activity this highlighted some amazing insight and creativity.

Day 4: Economic Vitality

Meeting on the OSU campus in Johnson Hall with field trips to 4 Spirits Distillery and ATAMI, this day focused on the leadership skill of analyzing problems and on helping participants develop a deeper understanding of the various factors that impact the economy. The day's activities focused on the importance of a diverse and healthy economic base to our region.

Day 5: Health Care

Meeting at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center, this day focused on the changing face of the health care industry. Topics included the patients experience, hospice and palliative care, an overview of health care in Corvallis and the state, walking tours of the amazing facilities. This day's leadership skill was focused on building teams.

Day 6: Education

Learning about impacts of educational systems for a variety of diverse learners and how we as community leaders can get involved. Participants started at 509J District office before taking a tour of Adams Elementary School, led by current students. The class loaded a bus to tour College Hill High School, and ended the day on the OSU campus. This day allowed class members to see how education is changing to meet the needs of today's society and focused on the leadership skill of building social capital across cultures.

Day 7: Community by Design

Meeting at the Grant Avenue Baptist Church, this day focused on helping participants understand the different layers that go into creating a functioning, vibrant community including the role of community involvement, thoughtful land use planning, and code enforcement. Highlighting the leadership skill of visioning, the day looked at the specific challenges facing Corvallis.

Day 8: Arts

Why Art? Community Benefits of Creativity, this day focused on understanding the value of arts and culture to the social, economic, mental, and physical health of Corvallis. With visits and tours to The Arts Center, Whiteside Theatre, The Majestic Theatre, and Corvallis Odd Fellows Barnum Lodge #7, class members saw first-hand how arts are contributing to a vibrant Corvallis. The leadership focus of this day was on building coalitions.

Day 9: Natural Resources

The changing landscape of Benton County was this day's theme. Leadership skill of building consensus, this day took participants out into the county. Starting at the Sunset Building and ending at Stahlbush Island Farms, with stops at Bald Hill and lunch at Nectar Creek, they sought to understand individual impacts on the natural around us. With talks from industry, state, and county leaders we explored how to be more informed in our decisions.

Day 10: Better Together

Focusing on community leadership skills that can be used to help groups frame ideas, build relationships, and mobilize resources, the class learned about non-profit boards and assessing opportunities. As a class we also took time to reflect on this year. This day was held at the LBCC Benton Center.

Special Thanks

Leadership Corvallis and the Class of 2018 gratefully acknowledge and recognize the following people and organizations for their support that made the Leadership Corvallis program a successful, memorable and beneficial experience.

IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS/LOCATIONS

4 Spirits Distillery 509J School District Catering Adams Elementary School ATAMI Bald Hill Farm Benton County Jail Benton County Sheriff's Office Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis CH2M HILL Alumni Center College Hill Corvallis-Benton County Public Library Corvallis City Council Chambers Corvallis Odd Fellows Barnum Lodge #7 Corvallis School District Office Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center Grant Avenue Baptist Church Law Enforcement Center LBCC Benton Center Majestic Theatre Nectar Creek Oregon State University OSU Adventure Leadership Institute Stahlbush Island Farms Sunset Building The Corvallis Arts Center The Vue Corvallis Visual People Design Whiteside Theatre

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Class of 2004

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HANS NEUKOMM AWARD

The Leadership Corvallis class of 2004 recognized the importance of celebrating the service and accomplishment in Leadership Corvallis alumni who had returned to the community with fresh perspective and passion, and used those qualities to continue to make a difference. Thus, the class created and awarded the first annual Hans Neukomm Leadership Award.

In naming the award after Hans Neukomm, the founder of Leadership Corvallis, the class felt that he epitomized the qualities of leadership expressed by the award. In that spirit, each year Leadership Corvallis will recognize a Leadership Corvallis graduate who has made significant contributions to the community.

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