



## Leadership Lumpkin County

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### **LEADERSHIP LUMPKIN COUNTY: BUILDING LEADERS FOR A STRONGER COMMUNITY**

A community is only as good as its leaders. Effective leaders see where the community has been, understand its unique challenges and resources and have the courage and skills to impact its future. What's more, communities that make a concerted effort to develop leadership qualities in their citizens tend to have economic and other advantages over other communities. In the best cases, that can mean better quality of life for all.

#### **Leadership Lumpkin County: What's it all about?**

The Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce committed to building local leaders by sponsoring Leadership Lumpkin County. LLC is designed to acquaint existing and emerging leaders with the inner workings of our community while nurturing the qualities of effective leadership. Ultimately, as outlined in its formal mission statement, the program seeks to *identify, educate, and develop leaders in Lumpkin County who will contribute to the enrichment of our community.*

To accomplish this mission, LLC takes participants behind the scenes to examine key elements of life in Dahlonega and Lumpkin County, including local economic development issues, government, law enforcement, education, healthcare, social services, and tourism. Through a balanced schedule of classroom presentations, discussions, site visits and hands-on activities, participants see an up-close look and the big-picture perspective on the community. LLC emphasizes personal growth and building relationships between people who are motivated to make positive things happen.



#### **Who Should Participate in Leadership Lumpkin County?**

You are a good candidate for participation in LLC if you meet these criteria:

You either have leadership experience through work, civic organizations, church, school, or other organizations or you see yourself as having untapped leadership potential and wish to develop or improve your leadership skills.

You are concerned about this community and want to learn about the issues and challenges it faces.

You are willing to contribute your time, energy, talent and skills to enhance of this community.



While many similar programs focus solely on young “emerging” leaders, LLC strives to incorporate a wide range of leadership experience levels in its class make-up. With an interactive, interpersonal curriculum designed to support both leadership skills development *and* exposure to community issues, LLC encourages participants to share the benefit of their own experience while they also learn from others.

Still unsure if LLC is for you? Check out the Leadership Lumpkin County at [www.leadershiplumpkin.com](http://www.leadershiplumpkin.com).



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### Time Commitments of the Program

Being selected to participate in Leadership Lumpkin County is an honor. With this honor comes an obligation to be present for each class and activity. **Successful completion of the program requires participants to be punctual and to attend each class. Anyone missing more than one Class may not be eligible for Graduation.** Those whose participation is sponsored by employers will be required to obtain supervisor signatures ensuring management’s support of the attendance policies of this program. Successful completion of the program requires participants to be punctual.

With the exception of the evening reception, and graduation, class sessions can be expected to run from 8:00AM to 5:00PM. In addition to the below outlined dates, participants will be expected to commit to approximately 10-12 hours over the course of the program to activities outside the scheduled class times.

### Leadership Lumpkin County Class of 2012

#### Class Schedule

Reception	September 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Located at North Georgia Dining Hall, 6:00 pm
Class 1	September 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Leadership & Team Building Day
Class 2	October 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Leadership Day
Class 3	November 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Education Day
Class 4	December 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	Economic Development Day
Class 5	January 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Community Resources & Healthcare Day
Class 6	February 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Conflict Resolution & Communications Day
Class 7	March 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Local Government & Law Enforcement Day
Class 8	April 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Arts, Tourism & Agribusiness Day
Graduation	April 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2012	Location TBA

### The Investment

There is a \$250 tuition fee to participate in Leadership Lumpkin County’s 2011-2012 program. This modest fee covers program materials, supplies and activities, lunches, and participants’ graduation dinners. While the actual cost of the program far exceeds this amount, the Chamber of Commerce contributes substantial administrative, marketing and other support to LLC. Local businesses and community leaders also consistently invest in local leadership development through donations and sponsorships in support of LLC.

### The Application Process: What Next?

Leadership Lumpkin County is managed by an advisory board of volunteer LLC graduates and Chamber representatives. After reviewing all applications submitted by the August 8th, 2011 deadline, the advisory committee will select up to 22 candidates to participate in the upcoming class. Every effort will be made to build a rich and balanced class that reflects diversity in every regard, including such factors as organizational affiliation and length of residence in the community. Out-of-town residents with strong, active ties to local businesses or other organizations will be considered.



If selected for the 2011-2012 LLC program, you will receive a letter by September 1st and have until September 9th, 2011 to return the appropriate forms and tuition payment. At that point, you will be considered a current class participant and can expect to receive an invitation to attend the opening reception on September 13, 2011.

# **LEADERSHIP LUMPKIN CLASS OF 2012 APPLICATION**

**Application Deadline - August 8, 2011**

Please submit completed application to Dahlonega-Lumpkin County Chamber of Commerce, 13 S. Park St., Dahlonega, GA. 30533.

**Note: LLC accepts a maximum of 22 participants each year. Notification of selections will occur by September 1, 2011. If selected, a fee of \$250.00 is due by September 9, 2011.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Interests/Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a resident of Lumpkin County? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, what is your interest in Dahlonega and Lumpkin County? \_\_\_\_\_

## **Leadership Experience and Attributes**

*Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and submit with application.*

- What are your personal goals regarding leadership?
- List any leadership positions (up to five) that you have held in the past. Also, describe less formal instances in which you have taken a leadership role.
- What do you believe you could gain by participating in the Leadership Lumpkin County Program?
- In what areas could you contribute most to Dahlonega and Lumpkin County?
- Have you participated in a formal leadership development program in the past? If yes, briefly describe where, when and the program name.

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## **Applicant Commitment Agreement:**

*I have read and understand the obligations and time commitments expected of me in order to participate in and graduate from the Leadership Lumpkin County 2011-2012 program. I will be available on the dates outlined in this form. In the event of an emergency or other unavoidable circumstance, I will discuss my absence with the appropriate LLC representative.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **Supervisor's Commitment Statement:**

*I have read and understand the obligations and time commitments expected of the above employee for participation in and graduation from the Leadership Lumpkin County Program. I agree to allow this employee to be absent from work on the program's scheduled days as outlined in this application.*

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Supervisor's Signature

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Date