



Leadership Alamance

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To: Executive Directors and Board Chairs of Nonprofit Organizations, Agencies and Service Organizations

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Re: Request for Proposals for Community Learning Projects

Enclosed is a *Request for Proposals for Community Learning Projects*. These projects are an initiative of the chamber's Leadership Alamance program. Leadership Alamance is designed to grow informed, skilled and involved leaders for Alamance County. In addition to growing in awareness and understanding of our community, class members develop valuable contacts and communication networks. These projects give class participants a chance to apply their learning while serving area nonprofits. We hope that you will find this request to be of interest to your organization.

Class members will choose their preferences for community projects. Depending on the number of applications received, some projects will be chosen, some will not. Project teams generally have 4-6 people in each group. The teams will work on these projects from January until graduation in May. Depending on the nature of the project some teams finish early.

If your organization is interested in submitting a project application, please review the following guidelines. In order to increase the opportunity for a successful learning project, the organization must designate a staff member to serve as coordinator for the learning project. This person will be the primary liaison for the Leadership Alamance team. The project timeline is as follows:

- **Community Learning Project Applications due: December 3, 2018 by 5 p.m.**
- **Decision Notifications by: January 21, 2019**

The Alamance Chamber, along with the Leadership Alamance Class of 2019, welcomes the opportunity to positively impact our community and possibly your organization through this year's collaborative efforts. We hope that you will consider submitting a Community Learning Project Application.

We look forward to hearing from you! If you have questions, please contact me at (336) 228-1338 or laura@alamancechamber.com

Leadership Alamance Community Learning Project Application Guidelines

The primary purposes of Community Learning Projects are to:

- Broaden awareness of community needs
- Facilitate involvement in local volunteer programs
- Aid in the empowerment and revitalization of Alamance County
- Provide a fun environment where class members can practice/develop team and individual leadership skills

The following criteria are guidelines for your application. While not requirements, they have been developed to ensure a successful project for all parties involved.

Projects should:

- Encourage the participants to exercise their leadership and teambuilding skills
- Allow teams to leave a tangible contribution to the community
- Address a true need within the larger vision of the organization, perhaps in relation to its strategic plan
- Fall within the budget parameters of the sponsoring organization

Each Leadership Alamance class member is required to participate in a Community Learning Project. Because they are asked to make a commitment to the success of this project, we respectfully ask that your organization and the designated staff member be committed to its success as well.

A good facilitator should:

- Assume a management role in the project
- Provide clear vision of their needs
- Give consistent feedback to the project team

Projects must be completed by May 16, 2019. Leadership Alamance, its future classes, and the Alamance Chamber cannot be responsible for long-term projects.

Applications are due by 5 p.m., December 3, 2018.

[Click here to complete the Community Learning Project Application.](#)