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LEADERSHIP FUNDAMENTALS 2.0 LAUNCHED



Earlier this month, Leadership Lackawanna launched a new, virtual program called Leadership Fundamentals 2.0. This program is graciously sponsored by Allied Services, Penn East Federal Credit Union and PNC Bank. Thirty-six individuals from a diverse make-up of private and public sector businesses and organizations constitute the inaugural members of this new program.

Leadership Fundamentals 2.0 is an eight-week course providing current and aspiring leaders with an innovative and flexible online learning experience – complete with a variety of personal and professional development skills. Ideally, this program is geared for middle-management individuals wishing to enrich their leadership, interpersonal and managerial skills and evolve into better professionals. Program outputs will include developing a strong network of professional connections, which can result in new referrals, leads or career opportunities; increasing your confidence and capacity to lead; and experiencing personal success and growth. Leadership Executive Director,

Nicole Morristell, added, "This new program not only expands our organization and its offerings, but provides participants with a workat-your-own pace curriculum which is crucial in today's world. We needed to create a program that was COVID-19 sensitive all while fulfilling a need that so many people are currently missing – networking and professional development in the comfort of your own home."

Leadership Fundamentals 2.0, Spring 2021 Participants

Allied Services Linda Lamparter Stacy Lewis Matthew Purcell

Benco Dental

Leigh King Daneen Plis-Skutack Elizabeth Warrick

Dempsey Uniform & Linen Supply

Mario Bianco Melanie Denney Tiffany Ferguson Jessica Mesiti Adam Raebel

Italian American Podcast Stephanie Longo

Marywood University Melissa Saddlemire

Maternal and Family Health Services

Erica Bozentka Shannon Hayward Ann Marie Jennings Ann Jones Lynn Lauri Molly Lukasavage Bernie Montigney Benjamin Sappe

NeighborWorks of NEPA Pamela Anslinger Gerard Hetman

> Noble Biomaterials Addie Lavelle Ivy Rinehimer

Penn East Federal Credit Union Kansis Dolinsky Alyssa Yanochick Penn State Scranton Mar Tsakonas

> PNC Bank Carly Caroselli Jaime Ryan

St. Joseph's Center/Geisinger Dawn Talley

> **Tobyhanna Army Depot** Erica Carrescia Andrea Vozzi

WVIA Paul Lazar Caitlin Mackiewicz Sarah Marie Thomas

DID YOU KNOW?

Our partnership with the Scranton Area Community Foundation allows us to offer a variety of partial scholarships to qualified candidates participating in our programs. We currently have seven different scholarship opportunities available to those needing financial assistance. These much needed funds help reduce the cost

of tuition, allowing participants from nonprofits, small businesses and even sole proprietors to experience our programs. To learn more about our scholarship funds or make a contribution please visit <u>LeadershipLackawanna.com/scholarships</u>.



DONATIONS RECEIVED

We have once again been recognized by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development as an Educational Improvement Organization. Five specific areas of the Tomorrow's Leaders Today program were approved as "innovative educational programs" because they are not currently part of the academic program of a public school. These programs are Financial Literacy. Crimes and Corrections Day, Health Care Day, History and Heritage Day and STEAM Day. FNCB Bank, The Honesdale National Bank (HNB), NBT Bank and Fidelity Bank recently pledged support of these efforts.

"Participating in the EITC program allows FNCB Bank to partner with great organizations, such as Leadership Lackawanna, to invest in the future development of NEPA leaders, "commented Gerard A. Champi, President & Chief Executive Officer.

HNB President & CEO David Raven stated, "Leadership Lackawanna provides programming that is refining the skillsets of our local professionals and ultimately contributing to the growth and development of our local businesses and region's economy." He said, "We are glad that we can contribute funding for this program to continue to serve our area."

"At NBT Bank, we support Leadership Lackawanna with an EITC donation because we know they provide quality educational and professional development opportunities that help established leaders to be their very best and inspire and prepare emerging leaders to become active and engaged community members," commented Dom Mitchell, SVP & Territory Manager at NBT Bank.

"We support Leadership Lackawanna because we know how important educational programs like TLT are in shaping the future leaders in our community," added Fidelity Bank Financial Reporting Specialist Rose Coyne.

Nikki Morristell, Executive Director, Leadership Lackawanna, said "Leadership Lackawanna is so very grateful to these four banks for their commitment to leadership development." She continued, "The funds received will allow us to expand programming and enhance our curriculum – hence further investing our efforts as we continue to offer outstanding community leadership and professional development to young adults."



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS **APPLY TO LEADERSHIP U**

Leadership Lackawanna and Penn State Scranton are proud to offer a new, collegiate-level initiative called Leadership U. Due to the generosity of the Willary Foundation, anticipated cost of this program is \$400 per student - an amazingly affordable opportunity for students who wish to enroll in a summer college course and receive three college credits. Participants will gain leadership and community engagement skills in the areas of public speaking, S.T.E.A.M., historical awareness, financial

literacy and career exploration. Upon successful completion, participants will receive three college credits to Penn State. The credits are for a general education, 100 level class and are transferable to most institutions.

This program has six main objectives:

- To provide participants with the confidence, expertise and skills to effectively speak in public and group settings
- To explore the relationship between effective listening and effective speaking
- To offer an ethical perspective of fact and opinion through communication
- By using the concepts of S.T.E.A.M., empower students to take thoughtful risks, engage in experiential learning, problem solve, collaborate and use creative processes
- To use historical awareness and appreciation to provide an understanding of our region's past, present and future
- To understand and further develop financial literacy skills and college/career preparation

Leadership U will be held this summer, with a start date in July. Applications will be available next month on our website, LeadershipLackawanna.com. This program accepts applications from juniors, with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher, who attend school in Lackawanna County or in the Lackawanna Trail or Western Wayne school districts. If selected, the student must be a senior to participate. Questions and inquiries should be emailed to Leadership Executive Director Nicole Morristell at nmorristell@scrantonchamber.com. LEADERSHIP LACKAWANNA NEWS PAGE 2



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Community leadership is a lifelong endeavor - that's why you are encouraged to join, or renew your membership with our Alumni and Friends Association. While participating in Leadership Lackawanna, did you enrich your leadership, interpersonal and managerial skills? Develop a strong network of professional connections? Expand your knowledge of Lackawanna County? Increase your confidence and capacity to lead?

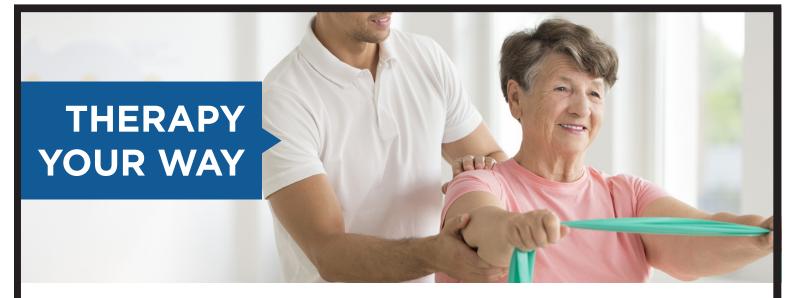
Do you want others to experience that same gratification? Do you want to make a difference? Leadership Lackawanna alumni experience success and growth in their careers and lives. They have a positive impact on our region. They are the reason our organization exists. YOU are one of those outstanding alumni. Did you know...

- Leadership now consists of 5 programs and an eight-week virtual course
- 41 high school juniors are participating in Tomorrow's Leaders Today this year
- 30 Core Program professionals are working on community projects with the Boys and Girls Club of Northeastern PA, Keystone Mission, the North Pocono Library and NeighborWorks of NEPA.
- 36 mid-level managers recently enrolled in our new virtual program, Leadership Fundamentals 2.0
- This year, in an effort to help even more people, we awarded more than \$4,500 in tuition assistance
- Since our founding in 1982, we have completed more than 155 community service projects
- Last year, 88% of Core Program participants agreed they were prepared for success and growth.

By donating to our organization, you provide an unparalleled combination of people, resources and opportunities to the community. You also maintain the sense of pride and community gained from your Leadership experience. Donate today!

To make a donation - please use the enclosed envelope.

For a complete listing of membership levels or to pay online visit LeadershipLackawanna.com/alumni-association



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