Do you believe in building community from the ground up?

Be a part of Neighborhood Leadership Cleveland

January-May, 2020

Presented in partnership by

The Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs

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Neighborhood Leadership Institute is proud to present the 36th class of Neighborhood Leadership Cleveland (NLC), in partnership with Cleveland State University. The purpose of NLC is to cultivate new and experienced leaders to gain confidence, learn skills, and use their voice to actively participate in effecting change. Participants will come away from Class 36 with a deeper sense of their own purpose as leaders, a greater appreciation for the assets of their neighborhoods, and a lifetime connection to the Institute’s network of more than 1,900 other grassroots leaders. Together, they’ll share a common goal—to improve the quality of life for communities in Greater Cleveland through collective leadership and engagement.

Course Overview

NLC is a 19-week course held January through May, 2020. Classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 6-9 p.m. Dinner is served at 5:30 pm. Sessions will include a leadership retreat, group projects, coaching and neighborhood tours.

Key components of the class include:
- Personal strengths and self-awareness
- Your place in history
- Identifying tools and resources
- Understanding systems
- Managing conflict and change
- Power, privilege and justice

Leaders are equipped with the skills to build better relationships, communicate effectively, build teams, lead groups, frame and present ideas, develop projects, set goals, and create change. We explore the fundamental leadership constructs of self-awareness, community, ethics, building power, government and system structures, power and privilege, equity vs. equality, and how community leadership impacts all of these.

Creating a culture of support, skill development and personal growth.
Objectives
As a participant in this class, you will learn five fundamental elements of grassroots leadership—

1. Clarifying your purpose.
2. Fostering authentic relationships.
3. Leading with others through collaboration.
4. Cultivating accountability in yourself and others.
5. Transformation—Inspiring and being inspired by change!

Outcomes
Participants graduate from NLC feeling empowered to make the change they believe is necessary... from the ground up.

As a graduate, you will return to your community with

- An increased sense of your civic power & responsibility.
- A better understanding of leadership in the context of your existing work.
- A greater capacity to recognize and use tools for change.
- Ongoing support and mentoring through the Institute’s alumni network.

Important Dates
Now through Nov. 15, 2019
Applications accepted
Nov. 1-Dec. 6, 2019
Interviews held
Dec. 16, 2019
Notification letters sent
Jan. 9, 2020
Class Session 1
May 14, 2020
Class 36 Graduation

Class Cost
Each participant is responsible for a $150 program fee. Participants may contribute on their own behalf, and/or access support from an employer, council member, etc. Contributions are tax-deductible.

The full cost of NLC is $2,500 per participant, which includes materials, meals, and program staff. This cost is generously supported by our funders.

See the Program Fee section of the application for more information.

Locations
Classes are held at Cleveland State University’s Levin College of Urban Affairs, 1717 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland.

Some sessions will be held at Neighborhood Leadership Institute, 5246 Broadway Avenue, Cleveland.

Questions?
Contact Michelle Broome at (216) 658-1358 or via email, michelle@neighborhoodleadership.org

Neighborhood Leadership Institute is committed to investing in our region’s leaders by providing tools for change and, most importantly, the support to move forward with that change.
Neighborhood Leadership Institute provides leadership training, resources and development to grassroots leaders in Greater Cleveland’s diverse communities, in order to improve the quality of life for neighborhood residents.

Our services and grassroots-based network empower our participants to apply their enhanced skills through collective engagement, advocacy and action to positively impact their communities.