

PERSONAL DATA

Name _____

Title _____

Firm/Organization _____

Male ___ Female ___

Business Address _____

Zip _____

Home Address _____

Zip _____

Business Phone _____

Email address _____

Home Phone _____

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Business/Professional Affiliations _____

Civic/Religious/Political/Social or Athletic Affiliations _____

What do you hope to gain from your SLI experience? _____

PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT

To graduate from Searcy Leadership Institute, a participant is expected to attend all sessions, including the following

1. Orientation Retreat: This is a one and a half day **overnight** session (September 10-11).
2. One full weekday each month from September through May, generally on the second Tuesday.
3. Graduation ceremony

I understand the purpose of the Searcy Leadership Program and I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. I understand the commitments and agree to be bound by them by signing this application.

Applicant Date

TUITION

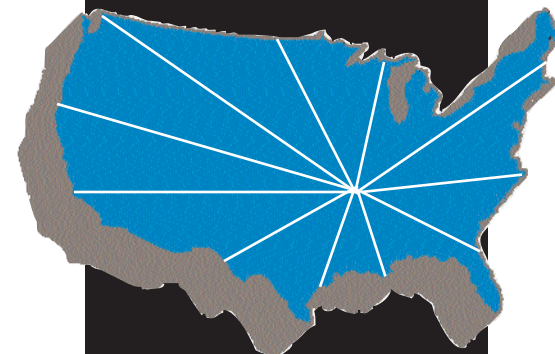
If accepted into the SLI, you or your employer will be billed for the tuition fee of \$350. Tuition must be paid to be accepted into this program.

EMPLOYER COMMITMENT

This application has the approval of this organization and the applicant has our full support, which includes the time required to participate.

Name of Employer Signature

SEARCY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



Searcy Regional Chamber of Commerce

2323 South Main
Searcy, AR 72143
501-268-2458
searcy.dina.org



Searcy Regional
Chamber of Commerce
a natural fit

THE CHALLENGE

Leaders have a significant role in creating the state of mind that is society.

John Gardner

THE VISION

The Searcy Leadership Institute is aimed at developing a network of talented leaders for present and future community needs. To meet this vision, the Leadership Institute seeks to:

- * *Identify and motivate individuals with leadership potential.*
- * *Acquaint them with community needs, challenges, and opportunities.*
- * *Offer a forum of exchange on methods for dealing with community issues.*
- * *Challenge potential leaders to become involved with local issues and the process of decision making.*

THE CURRICULUM

A series of one-day sessions have been planned to focus on issues, people, and opportunities for leadership for Searcy citizens from September through May. The order and content of some sessions may change.

Session 1: *Learning the Ropes: Accepting the Challenge of Leadership*

Session 2: *Personality Type and Teamwork; Searcy: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow*

Session 3: *Cultural Barriers to Communication; Marketing Searcy to Industry*

Session 4: *Searcy Education: A Diversity of Opportunities*

Session 5: *Leadership: The State View*

Session 6: *Government & Politics: The Local View*

Session 7: *Health and Human Services*

Session 8: *Opportunities for Community Service; Dinner Ceremony Honoring Graduates*

PARTICIPANT SELECTION

A selection committee will give careful attention to choosing a class that represents a cross-section of the community. Participants will be active in business, education, the arts, religion, government, community-based organizations, ethnic and minority groups. They will reflect the diversity of the central Arkansas community with a balanced gender, race, socio-economic and geographic representation that closely parallels the demographics of the metropolitan area.



APPLICATION

Applications for participation in the Searcy Leadership Institute may be made on behalf of someone or individuals may apply themselves. Chamber affiliation is a requirement for application to Searcy Leadership Institute. All applications for participation must be received at the Chamber office no later than August 17, 2009.



TIME COMMITMENT

The Searcy Leadership Institute consists of full day training sessions. Each session will generally be scheduled on the second Tuesday of each month from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Program participants are expected to attend every session. While emergencies do arise, any participant missing more than two sessions of scheduled events may be dropped from the program and no portion of the tuition will be refunded.

TUITION

The tuition fee for each participant selected is \$350.