



APPLICATION FORM

The **LEADERSHIP Shawano County** Application is the primary tool used in participant selection.

- Limit answers to available space. Do not include a resume.
- Applications should be typed or printed in black ink.
- Applications must be signed by the candidate and by the candidate's employer.
- All responses will be kept in confidence.
- Applications must be received at Leadership Shawano County, 1263 S Main Street, Shawano WI 54166, By: July 17, 2026, to be considered.
- Interviews will be scheduled the week of July 20, 2026.
- If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Schultz 715-524-2139 or email leadership@shawanocountry.com

LEADERSHIP Shawano County selects applicants:

- Who demonstrate a sincere commitment, motivation, and interest in their community.
- Who have the ability to set and attain goals as demonstrated by significant career, personal, and/or civic achievement.
- Who have the availability of time to participate in the Leadership program with the full support of the corporation or organization he/she represents. (Commit at least one day per month plus the time needed for class preparation and the time needed to complete class project.)
- Who represent a cross section of participants from business, the professions, agriculture, education, organized labor, government, arts, clergy, service and community organizations, and ethnic/minority groups by gender, age, and community experience.

COMMITMENT

To graduate from **LEADERSHIP Shawano County**, **A PARTICIPANT IS EXPECTED TO ATTEND ALL SESSIONS IN THEIR ENTIRETY INCLUDING THE ORIENTATION, ALL FULL-DAY SESSIONS, AND GRADUATION.**

Sessions are currently scheduled for these dates:

Class Orientation and Welcome Dinner: August 20, 2026 (5:30 PM – 8:00 PM) Boarders Inn & Suites

Collaborative Leadership Styles: September 10, 2026

Natural Resources: October 8, 2026

Local and Tribal Government: November 12, 2026

Economic Development: December 10, 2026

Health Care & Wellness: January 14, 2027

Education, Youth and Lifelong Learning: February 11, 2027

State Government: March 11, 2027

Diversity: April 8, 2027

Citizen Participation: May 13, 2027

Graduation: June 10, 2027 (5:30 PM – 8:00 PM) Boarders Inn and Suites

MONTHLY SESSIONS ARE HELD THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 8:00 AM TO 4:30 PM.

It is an expectation that upon completion of this program you will use the skills learned, knowledge gained, and connections made to improve the quality of life in Shawano County.

Personal Data

Name _____
Last First Middle Known As

Birth Date _____ Years in Shawano County Area _____

Home Address _____
Street City Zip Phone

Personal Email _____

Employment

Present Employer (if any) : _____ How long with the firm _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Present Title or Responsibility _____ Since _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Where do you prefer to receive email for this class? _____ Home Address _____ Work Address _____

Do you anticipate an out-of-area transfer within the next year? _____ Yes _____ No

How many days per month does your work require you to be out of town? _____

Present Community Involvement

How much time each month do you commit to community, civic, professional, or other organizations and activities?

____ 1-2 Hours ____ 3-4 Hours ____ 5-6 Hours ____ 7-8 Hours ____ 9-10 Hours ____ Over ten Hours

Please list organizations or activities you have been involved with here or in other communities. If you are not currently involved in community activities, list your areas of community interest.

What accomplishments are you most proud of from your participation in any one of the previously named organizations and activities?

Please check the areas of volunteer and community service you wish to become more involved:

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| _____ Arts | _____ Environmental issues |
| _____ Children, youth, and families | _____ Facilitation, planning and problem solving |
| _____ Communications and public relations | _____ Fund raising and grant writing |
| _____ Community development | _____ Government, public and legislative affairs |
| _____ Diversity and minority group issues | _____ Health and health care issues |
| _____ Economic development | _____ Recreation and events |
| _____ Education and training | _____ Other. Specify _____ |

Applicant's Personal Statement:

Please answer the following questions. Your responses should be typed.

1. Name someone significant to you who has inspired you as a leader. What about this person do you most admire?

2. Why do you want to be a participant in this program? Do you have any personal leadership goals?

3. What do you believe are two or three significant issues/challenges facing Shawano County communities?

Tuition

If accepted into the **LEADERSHIP Shawano County** program, you or your employer/sponsor will be billed for the tuition of \$1000, which covers all program costs, including meals and materials.

Tuition fees will be paid by: Applicant's Portion.....\$ _____
Employer/Sponsor Portion.....\$ _____
Total _____ \$ 1000.00

Scholarships for a portion of the tuition may be available as funds permit.

Will you need assistance in the form of a scholarship? ___Yes ___No

Special terms can be arranged to pay by January 2027 if this fits better into a fiscal budget.

I understand the purposes and expectations for the Leadership Shawano County program and if I am selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. Even though emergencies do arise, I understand any participant missing the orientation, graduation or more than two sessions, may be asked to withdraw from the program and no portion of the tuition shall be refunded.

I understand the above commitment and agree to be bound by them in signing this application.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Employer commitment

This applicant has our full support which includes the time required to participate in the program.

Signature _____ Date _____

Firm _____ Title _____

Mail this completed application and by July 17, 2026, to:
LEADERSHIP Shawano County
1263 S Main Street, Shawano, WI 54166, and email to leadership@shawanocountry.com