

Leadership Wood Buffalo Participant Application Form 2023-2024

Applicant Information:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
Preferred Pronouns (If you would like to specify): _____
Date of Birth: _____
Home Address: _____
City: _____ Postal Code: _____
Preferred Phone Number _____
Preferred E-Mail _____
Employer _____ Position Title: _____

How involved are you in volunteerism in the community?

Very Involved Somewhat Involved Not Involved

Are you interested in being more involved in volunteerism in the RMWB?

Yes No

Do you have any experience on a Board of Directors?

Yes No

Are you interested in joining a Board if you are not currently an active Board Member?

Yes No

Personal Commitment:

If selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the Leadership Wood Buffalo program. I understand that this will require approximately 12 days away from work and 40 hours of personal time for group activities outside of class. I understand that should I be absent without notice from any part of the opening retreat, or from more than one "Community Learning Day", I will be required to withdraw from the program, and my program fee will not be refunded or transferred.

Applicant will sign this portion in person, during their interview.

Employer/Sponsor Approval for Time Commitment (If applicable):

The applicant has the approval of this organization, and the applicant has our full support, if accepted, to devote the time required to participate in the program.

Employer/Sponsor Signature: _____

Date: _____

All tuition fees, \$2850, must be paid in full on or before: September 1, 2023.

Tuition Payment Agreement:

Option 1: My employer or sponsor agrees to pay the full tuition cost of the program, which is \$2850.

Employer/Sponsor Name (please print): _____

Employer/Sponsor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Option 2: I agree to pay a portion (please specify) or all the tuition cost, any balance remaining will be paid by my employer or sponsor

Amount by Applicant: \$_____ Amount by Employer/Sponsor: \$_____

Applicant Signature: _____

Employer/Sponsor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Program Dates:

Community Action Day: September 8th, 2023 – Full Day

Opening Retreat: September 21st & 22nd, 2023

Learning Days: One full learning day per month (October-April). Learning days will take place on the last Wednesday of every month, with the exception of December being earlier.

Cohort Planned Volunteer Day: International Volunteer Day Dec 5th.

Community Action Project Presentation Day: April 25th, 2024

Closing Retreat & Graduation: April 26th, 2024

Who Should Apply:

- People interested in community leadership with a desire to make a difference in Wood Buffalo.
- People looking to increase their understanding of the community, its opportunities and challenges.
- Leaders who are already engaged but are actively looking for ways to make new connections with others to increase the impact of their work in the community in which we live.

Interest Letter:

Please submit a letter with your application form indicating why you wish to be a participant in this Community Leadership Program. You can consider the following questions:

- What does community leadership mean to you?
- Why are you motivated to explore personal leadership?
- To your knowledge, what types of gaps currently exist in the community?
- How would you like to be more involved in the community?
- What do you think is the greatest challenge of being a leader?
- What is one of the greatest challenges facing Wood Buffalo as a community?

Reference Letter:

In addition, please provide a confidential letter of reference to support your application. Your reference can email this directly to: leadershipwb@fusesocial.ca. A mentor, a community volunteer, or a personal acquaintance who will attest to your suitability for the Leadership Wood Buffalo program may submit this letter.

The Deadline for 2023-2024 Applications is June 18th, 2023.

Please ensure the following forms are completed & attached:

- Application Form
- Interest Letter
- Reference Letter

Completed applications, including interest letter and reference letter can be emailed directly to: leadershipwb@fusesocial.ca

The Selection Committee will review your application in confidence. A personal interview will be scheduled as we complete the make-up of the cohort. Please understand it is our goal to have a diverse class with participants representing many sectors and points of view.

You will be notified by August 4th, 2023, of the status of your application.