

# LEADERSHIP RIVERSIDE

A PROGRAM BY THE GREATER RIVERSIDE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

Dear Community Leader:

Thank you for your interest in Leadership Riverside, a signature program of the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce. The Leadership Riverside program is looking for leaders and decision-makers in business, service, government, and education to apply for the incoming Class of 2019. Unlike any general skills development program, Leadership Riverside looks for those individuals who have attained skills and positions of leadership and equips them with the knowledge and awareness of those forces and issues that shape our community's future. Upon graduation and beyond the class project, each class member is expected to utilize the skills and information gained in this program to work and advocate for the betterment of the region.

Through facilitated sessions and conversations with policy makers, industry experts and visionary leaders, you will get a unique opportunity to dissect and distill the critical challenges facing our city and region, while experiencing a civic leadership framework to enhance personal and professional development. This intensive series of classes and workshops will give you the breadth and depth of knowledge and relationships to be effective as an advocate, policy influencer and maker.

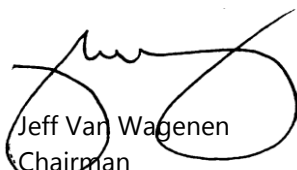
This 10-month program empowers decision-makers of local businesses, government, non-profit organizations, schools and universities, with the knowledge to address critical regional issues, such as economic development; education; health care; public safety; social services; arts and culture, and others. Classes consist of approximately 20-25 dynamic individuals who are drawn from different backgrounds and philosophical perspectives who upon graduating, go on to contribute to Riverside's economic and cultural vitality.

Leadership Riverside is currently accepting applications for the Class of 2019 until **Monday, June 25, 2018 at 5 PM.** Class sessions will commence in September 2018, with an orientation luncheon scheduled in August. Attached is more information on the program; including requirements, tuition costs, a tentative schedule of sessions and a program application. **Qualified applicants must be available for a brief interview on either Wednesday, July 18, 2018 (8:00 AM - 1:30 PM) or Thursday, July 19, 2018 (11:40 AM - 4:10 PM).** It is recommended that the qualified applicants wait another year if the candidate cannot commit to all program events and class sessions.

If you have any questions, please contact Community Development Coordinator Aly Herrera at the Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce at (951) 683-7100 Ext. 218 or [aherrera@riverside-chamber.com](mailto:aherrera@riverside-chamber.com).

I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Jeff Van Wagenen  
Chairman

Leadership Riverside Steering Committee

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# LEADERSHIP RIVERSIDE CLASS OF 2019 FACT SHEET

## PROGRAM

Since 1986, Leadership Riverside has strengthened the community by developing and empowering today's local leaders. The program includes 10 monthly, full-day sessions devoted to key community issues at locations throughout Riverside. Participants get an in-depth knowledge of the region and build strong and lasting relationships between participants and the organizations they encounter.

The program brings together a diverse group of participants. Our classes consist of about 20-25 dynamic individuals in businesses, government, and non-profit organizations, schools and universities who are drawn from diverse backgrounds and philosophical perspectives.

Through facilitated sessions and conversations with policymakers, industry experts and thought leaders, you will enhance your understanding of issues impacting Riverside while advancing your personal, professional and civic development. You will join the ranks of our more than 500 alumni who have gone on to serve on boards and commissions, representing the voice of the greater Riverside region.

## TIME COMMITMENT

The Class of 2019 meets every first Friday from September 2018 to June 2019, with graduation in June 2019. In some instances, special circumstances require an alternative week to be scheduled. A tentative schedule is included below for your reference. In order to accomplish Leadership Riverside's objectives, the full participation of each individual is essential. Expected participation includes all sessions on the attached schedule as well as additional time outside of the sessions, as needed, to complete a service learning group project. Unforeseen emergencies are recognized, but it is recommended that the qualified applicants wait another year if the candidate cannot commit to all program events and class sessions.

## FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

The tuition for the Leadership Riverside Class of 2019 is **\$1,250**. The employer, another sponsoring organization, or the participant may pay tuition. **Tuition is expected prior to the first session in September.** Other payment options will be addressed by the selection committee.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants to Leadership Riverside may apply either on an individual basis or be nominated by a Riverside business or organization.

Through a competitive application review and interview process, the Leadership Riverside Steering Committee will select 20-25 participants. In order to ensure the broadest possible representation of professional and community experiences, the number of participants from any one profession or area of interest may be limited.

Applicants are ineligible to apply if currently running for an elected position or will be running during the course of the program. To be considered for the program, the applicant must be available for an interview on either Wednesday, July 18, 2018 (8:00 AM - 1:30 PM) or Thursday, July 19, 2018 (11:40 AM - 4:10 PM).

The ideal candidate has:

- Held positions that demonstrate leadership in professional and civic/volunteer endeavors.
- Aspirations to serve on boards or other leadership roles in the community.
- Strong references.
- The probability of remaining in the greater Riverside area for at least five years after completion of the program.

## **LEADERSHIP RIVERSIDE CLASS OF 2019 PROGRAM SCHEDULE\***

Please Note: Sessions take place the first Friday of the month and are scheduled with continental breakfast at 7:30 AM, program from 7:45 AM – 5:00 PM, unless otherwise noted. **However, the schedule is subject to change.**

### **Candidate Interviews**

Wednesday, July 18, 2018  
or Thursday, July 19, 2018

### **Orientation Luncheons**

Wednesday, August 22, 2018  
or Thursday, August 23, 2018

### **Session 1: Discovery Day**

Friday, September 7, 2018

### **Leadership Riverside Alumni Welcome Reception**

Friday, September 7, 2018 | 5:00-7:00PM

### **Good Morning Riverside Introduction**

Thursday, October 11, 2018 | 7:15-9:00AM

### **Session 2: Government Day**

Friday, October 12, 2018

### **GRCC Legislative Summit Luncheon**

Friday, October 12 or 19, 2018 | 12:00-1:00 PM

### **Session 3: Law & Justice Day**

Friday, November 2, 2018

### **Session 4: Human Relations & Social Services Day**

Friday, December 7, 2018

### **Leadership Riverside Alumni Holiday Reception**

Friday, December 7, 2018 | 5:30-7:00PM

### **Session 5: Arts & Culture Day**

Friday, January 11, 2019

### **Session 6: Health & Emergency Services Day**

Friday, February 1, 2019

### **Session 7: Education Day**

Friday, March 1, 2019

### **Session 8: Economic Development Day**

Friday, April 5, 2019

### **Session 9: Military & Homeland Security Day**

Friday, May 3, 2019

### **Session 10: Visioning Day**

Friday, June 7, 2019

### **Leadership Riverside Commencement Ceremony & Luncheon**

Friday, June 14, 2019

## APPLICATION: ALL RESPONSES ARE KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENCE

Please type directly into the gray fields on this form

Full Name:	Years lived in Riverside area:
Title:	Business:
Business Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
Cell:	Home:
Email:	Dietary Restrictions:
<i>E-mail will be our primary method of contact for all Leadership Riverside activities.</i>	
Sponsoring Business/Organization (if any):	
Address:	
Phone:	Fax:
Cell:	Home:
Email:	
Have you applied for Leadership Riverside before? If yes, when?	

### 1. RESUME

Attach your resume.

### 2. COMMUNITY SERVICE

Please describe your relevant community service. In addition, please include your years of involvement and a description of your leadership role with the organization, board, initiative, etc.

### 3. NARRATIVE

Please answer the following questions: (limit 1.5 page double spaced per question).

Explain what makes you an ideal candidate for Leadership Riverside.

Identify and discuss a particular issue, opportunity or problem you feel is crucial to the Riverside area.

### 4. TUITION

Tuition for Leadership Riverside is \$1,250 per participant and it is due prior to the first class session. A limited number of partial scholarships may be available.

☐ Full tuition can be paid by (Name/Company):

☐ Amount of tuition I am able to pay: \$

## 5. PROFILE PHOTO

Please attach a high resolution profile photo of yourself (Either JPEG or PNG).

## 6. REFERENCES

List two persons who have knowledge of your qualifications to be a Leadership Riverside participant.

Name:	Title:
Business Name or Home Address:	
Business Address:	
Phone:	Email:
Name:	Title:
Business Name or Home Address:	
Business Address:	
Phone:	Email:

## 5. COMMITMENT

I understand that Leadership Riverside will be held for an entire day one weekday each month, from September through June, plus graduation. Graduation also includes a half-day of class before the luncheon. I hereby agree, barring emergencies, to attend every session at its appointed time. I understand that poor attendance may result in my dismissal from further participation in the program with no tuition refund upon the Steering Committee's discretion.

Print Name of Candidate	
Signature of Candidate	Date

Nominees for the Leadership Riverside program must have the support and commitment of their employers or organization. The signature of the supervisor is necessary as an indication of support of the nominee's participation in Leadership Riverside. The signature serves as acknowledgement that the above candidate is cleared and available to fully participate on all the outlined dates and class sessions.

Print Name of Supervisor	
Signature of Supervisor	Date
Phone Number of Supervisor	

## NEXT STEP

**Completed applications must be received by Monday, June 25, 2018 at 5:00 PM.** You may submit your application one of two ways:

1. E-mail scanned, signed copy to: [aherrera@riverside-chamber.com](mailto:aherrera@riverside-chamber.com) with subject: "LR2019 [Last Name, First Name] Application"
2. Mail signed copy to:  
Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce  
c/o Leadership Riverside  
3985 University Ave. Riverside, CA 92501

For further information, contact Community Development Coordinator Aly Herrera at (951) 683-7100 Ext. 218 or [aherrera@riverside-chamber.com](mailto:aherrera@riverside-chamber.com).