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Leadership Las Cruces

*Cultivating leaders to positively impact our community*

**Leadership Las Cruces (LLC) is a community and personal leadership development program offered by the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce. Since graduating its first class in 1993, LLC has been dedicated to cultivating informed, engaged, and empowered leaders. The program is thoughtfully designed to deepen participants’ understanding of the City’s history, culture, government, economy and social dynamics—while highlighting both the challenges and opportunities that share our community.**

**Program goals include:**

* **Expanding participants’ knowledge of the regional community and strengthening their personal leadership skills.**
* **Inspiring civic engagement & encouraging active contributions to community progress**
* **Enhancing the capacity & impact of current and future leaders.**
* **Preparing participants to meet evolving community needs with insight & resilience**
* **Facilitating meaningful connections with influential individuals, businesses, and organizations in Las Cruces, Mesilla Valley Region and all of New Mexico**

***Important Information & Requirements***

* Applicants must reside and/or be employed in the Las Cruces area and be at least 21 years of age at the time of application. Tuition for this ten-month program is $1,500 for members in good standing and $2,000 for prospective members. Tuition covers all meals, session materials and graduation recognition.
* Membership in the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce is not a requirement for participation in the program. All applicants must attend a personal interview which will be scheduled with application upon the submission of application.
* FULL & COMPLETE participation in all aspects of the class is required. Only those willing to complete the application, participate in a class project and attend/participate in ALL scheduled sessions including the orientation need apply. Attendance is mandatory for the overnight retreat and project day. To meet graduation requirements, participants are not permitted to miss more than 1full day or 2 half-days.
* All class members are expected to attend each session in its entirety and will be required to spend additional time outside of class (10-20 hours) completing projects. Typically, the class meets on the 3rd Friday of the month, 8:00am-5:00pm. Variations to this schedule will be noted on final schedule.
* Session topics throughout the year include, but are not limited to: Military, Economic & Business Development, Agriculture, Criminal Justice, Education, Health, Human & Social Services, Tourism, City, Government, Teambuilding and Leadership Development. To best serve the needs & goals of the participants, session topics may be revised during the program year.

If you have questions or need additional information, please call Debbi Moore at

575-524-1969 or via email: dmoore@lascruces.org

***LLC33 APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 3pm, FRIDAY, JULY 16TH***

# 2025-2026: LLC33 Application

**Leadership Las Cruces is a program of the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce**

***Deadline: 3pm, Friday, July 16TH***

***Each year, the LLC Advisory Team are committed to provide an excellent program for the participants. It is understood that any applicant accepted for the program will attend all the sessions in their entirety. Please review the schedule below and***

***take into consideration your time commitment before applying. NOTE: The class project will be scheduled for a Saturday during the 2nd half of the program.***

Thursday-Friday, September 11-12 --Mandatory Overnight Retreat

Friday, October 17

Friday, November 14

Friday, December 12

Friday, January 16, 2026

Friday, February 20

Friday, March 13

Friday, April 17

Friday, May 15

Friday, June 12

Graduation Ceremony — Friday, June 26

**I will attend all sessions if selected: Yes**[ ]  **No** [ ]

**Signature** Click or tap here to enter text. **Date:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Personal Data:**

**Full Name:** Click or tap here to enter text. **Preferred Name for Name Tag:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Employer:** Click or tap here to enter text. **Title:** Click or tap here to enter text.

 **E-Mail:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Phone: Work** Click or tap here to enter text.**Cell** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Business Address:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Business Phone:** Click or tap here to enter text. **Home Phone:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**How long have you lived and/or worked in the Las Cruces/Dona Ana County region:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Briefly describe your responsibilities in your position:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**What do you consider your most significant contribution or achievement related to your position so far?**

 Click or tap here to enter text.

# Essay Questions

1. ***Why would you like to participate in Leadership Las Cruces?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***What do you believe are the most important issues facing Las Cruces & Dona Ana County and what role does leadership serve in solving these challenges?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***What specific skills/knowledge do you hope to gain from participating in Leadership Las Cruces, and how will you use thoseskills/knowledge to benefit the community?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***What strengths would you bring to the Leadership Las Cruces program?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***What do you consider your most important accomplishment in community or civic activities? Why?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***Briefly describe a recent experience working in a group environment. Describe how you used your leadership skills in that environment.***

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. ***In what kinds of additional volunteer/community activities would you like to become active in the future?***

Click or tap here to enter text.

**TUITION**

If accepted into the Leadership Las Cruces program, each participant, financial sponsor, and/or employer will be invoiced for the tuition fee of $1,500/member or $2,000/future member. This fee covers all program costs, transportation during sessions and meals.

Will you pay the tuition fee? Yes or No (please circle one)

Will your employer/sponsor pay the tuition fee? Yes or No (please circle one)

**EMPLOYER COMMITMENT**

The applicant has the approval of the undersigned organization & has our full support & commitment, which includes the time required to participate in the program.

**Company Name:** Click or tap here to enter text. **Phone:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Email:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Employer Printed Name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Employer Signature:** Click or tap here to enter text. **Date:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**To submit your packet, please attach completed application & submit as indicated below. Incomplete packets will not be considered. This form may be downloaded at** [**www.lascruces.org**](http://www.lascruces.org)**. Submit your application to the Greater Las Cruces Chamber of Commerce by email** **dmoore@lascruces.org** **or mail: PO Box 519; Las Cruces NM 88004 or hand deliver to 150 E Lohman by 3pm, Friday, July 16th.**