

## Who should apply?

Current leaders and those who aspire for leadership roles are perfect candidates for this program. For each leadership class a maximum of twenty five community members ages 21+ are selected on the following criteria:

- Commitment to self-development and regional development;
- Desire for community involvement;
- Ability to discuss and propose solutions for community issues; and
- Potential for visionary leadership.

## How much does the program cost?

Tuition is \$995 for Chamber members and \$1,250 for non-members. This is inclusive of all materials and the two-day Sacramento trip; including lodging, airfare and all scheduled meals. Upon completion of the program, tuition also includes the graduation ceremony and reception for all participants.

## How do I apply?

[TorranceChamber.com/leadership-torrance](http://TorranceChamber.com/leadership-torrance)

*“Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce’s Leadership Torrance has been a valuable program in enhancing the skills and knowledge base of significant contributors to the Torrance community. Alumni of Leadership Torrance have become shapers and key individuals in the progress of our community. It is a wonderful program that we have here in Torrance.”*

*~Frank Scotto, Former Mayor, City of Torrance*

*“Leadership Torrance was my opportunity to learn more about my community and through the process gain some life-long friends.”*

*~Mark Waronek, Office of Los Angeles County 4<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor Janice Hahn*

*“Leadership Torrance exceeded my expectations. The program is not only challenging and rewarding, but also afforded me opportunities to network and connect with political leaders, businesses and the community.”*

*~Leslie Cortez, City of Torrance*

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## What is Leadership Torrance?

Leadership Torrance is a 6-month professional development program designed to help current and future leaders in businesses and other community organizations develop their leadership skills, community knowledge, and professional networks.

Through the program, participants will learn and refine their leadership styles, meet and make connections with leaders in the community, and discover opportunities for community engagement and involvement.

## How does the program work?

The Leadership Torrance program runs from January through June and will kick off with an orientation to introduce and welcome the class to each other and to the program requirements.

Leadership Torrance participants will engage in day sessions approximately twice per month, which will provide them with a deeper understanding of the issues surrounding our community, what makes it great, and how it functions. Some day session topics include: History of Torrance, Manufacturing Day, County Gov't Day, Local Government Day, Media Day, and so on.

The class will select, plan, and implement a project that will impact Torrance and/or the surrounding community in a positive way.



## What is the time commitment?

Students' attendance is required at all of the day sessions, the two-day Sacramento trip and the community project work days.

Once the class project has been determined, participants will spend additional time outside of regular class sessions to plan and implement the project.

On average, Leadership Torrance participants can expect to spend approximately 16 hours per month on program activities.

## What can I expect to gain from the program?

After you graduate from the Leadership Torrance program, you will be able to:

- Identify, examine and confront key local and regional issues from a variety of perspectives;
- Gain knowledge and exposure to a variety of community agencies and opportunities for involvement and impact;
- Analyze and understand leadership styles and utilize your leadership skills to improve your effectiveness as a leader;
- Develop and commit to a personal plan for active participation and leadership in your workplace and community; and
- Develop relationships, connections and networks.

## How do I apply?

Visit:

[TorranceChamber.com/leadership-torrance](http://TorranceChamber.com/leadership-torrance) and complete the online application.

Applications will be accepted until December 1, 2017 or until 25 applicants have been accepted into the program; whichever occurs first.

Please contact the TACC with any questions at 310-540-5858.

We hope you'll join this year's Leadership Torrance class & take your leadership skills to the next level!