



# LEADERSHIP WESTCHESTER

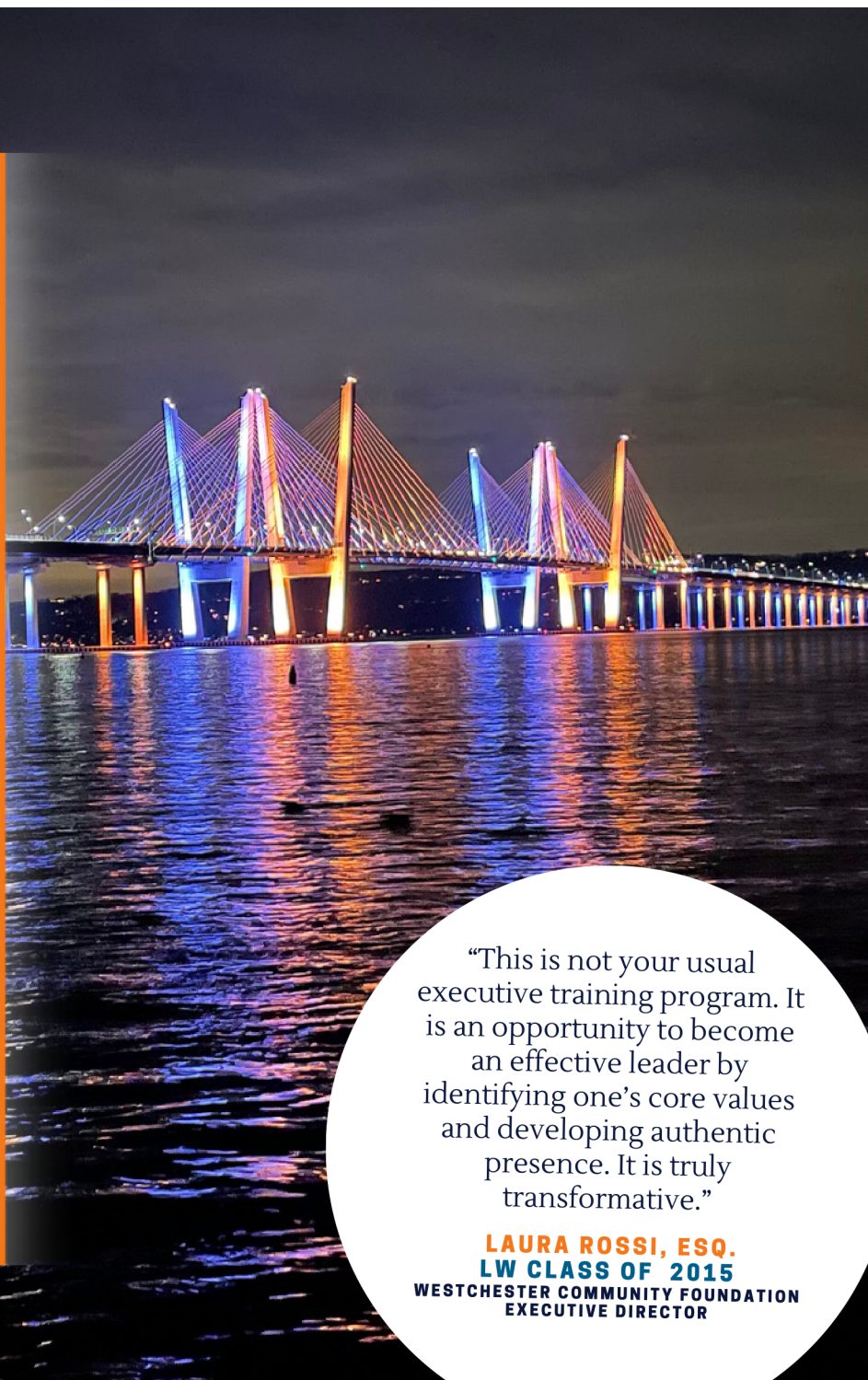


## A PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT SERIES

Since 1996 Leadership Westchester has been a signature program of Volunteer New York! meant to help develop, connect, and inspire diverse and impactful leaders in Westchester County.

# ARE YOU READY TO LEAD?

This cutting-edge learning program prepares passionate, knowledgeable, and highly skilled leaders to assume positions of influence and impact, particularly as board members of nonprofit organizations throughout the county. Leadership Westchester offers a dynamic combination of lively classroom discussions, collaborative fieldwork, and self-study over a rigorous, nine-month curriculum. **The next level, starts here.**



"This is not your usual executive training program. It is an opportunity to become an effective leader by identifying one's core values and developing authentic presence. It is truly transformative."

**LAURA ROSSI, ESQ.**  
**LW CLASS OF 2015**  
WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LEARN MORE & APPLY TO THE LEADERSHIP WESTCHESTER CLASS OF 2025:

**[VOLUNTEERNEWYORK.ORG/LEADERSHIP](http://VOLUNTEERNEWYORK.ORG/LEADERSHIP)**



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## CLASS OF 2024-2025 PROGRAM DATES

All dates are **half days** unless otherwise specified:

- HALF DAYS: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
- FULL DAYS: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Class size limited to 20. Meets centrally.

**Application Deadline: July 26, 2024**

**Apply now at [volunteernewyork.org/leadership](https://volunteernewyork.org/leadership)**

Wednesday, October 23, 2024 – **Full Day / Opening Retreat**

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Wednesday, December 18, 2024

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Wednesday, February 5, 2025 – **Full day**

Wednesday, March 26, 2025

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 – **Full day / Closing retreat**

Graduation to take place the week of June 26– Date TBD

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

### LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The program provides leading-edge thinking and techniques utilized at top business schools for managing others and achieving successful outcomes in business. Individual modules regarding all aspects of leadership are presented in a dynamic process of discussion, self-inquiry, and cooperative work. This fast-paced format will greatly strengthen participants' abilities to work with and lead others successfully.

#### How You'll Benefit

- Learn what your top personal drivers/motivators are.
- Build your own individual model for effective leadership.
- Greatly strengthen interpersonal and communication skills.
- Generate greater buy-in, trust, and loyalty from those around you.
- Demonstrate grace under pressure and learn how to defuse tension effectively.
- Overcome resistance to change.
- Motivate followers and inspire them to action.
- Rally support in difficult situations.

#### What We'll Cover

- Building your personal leadership success model.
- Passion, presence & finding your leadership voice.
- Setting the direction for your life and your community.
- Influencing Others: Creating extraordinary personal impact.
- Creating Compelling Messages: Speaking powerfully and persuasively.

### NON-PROFIT LEARNING

Leadership Westchester is designed to give participants the skills necessary to serve organizations at the Board of Director's level. A sequence of classes will cover the various aspects of nonprofit oversight and management, with experts sharing insights from the field, independent study projects will allow students to explore their own interests in specific areas of management (such as strategic planning or advocacy) and selected nonprofit organizations.

#### How You'll Benefit

- Understand key responsibilities of board membership and contribution.
- Broaden understanding of Westchester's nonprofit landscape: its leading organizations, individuals, and collaborative partnerships.
- Improve ability to successfully lobby others on issues that are important to you personally.
- Know what to look for when deciding which nonprofit(s) to support.
- Meet leaders at nonprofits of your choosing.

#### What We'll Cover

- Governance: Ensuring legal and fiduciary compliance.
- Strategic Planning: Mission, vision, and organizational planning.
- Advocacy: Enhancing an organization's public image.
- Managing Staff: Selecting, supporting, and evaluating the Executive Director and key staff.
- Relationships & Responsibilities: Board & staff.
- Self-Assessment: Managing and improving the Board's effectiveness.

**QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT [JEANETTE@VOLUNTEERNEWYORK.ORG](mailto:JEANETTE@VOLUNTEERNEWYORK.ORG) OR 914-227-9310**

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Leadership Westchester Alumni Association (LWAA) offers an annual calendar of networking events and extended learning workshops for alumni.

Graduates of the 2025 class of Leadership Westchester will join a network of almost 500 alumni who are making a difference locally as business, nonprofit, public, civic, and philanthropic leaders.

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