

**Leadership Stark County  
27th Signature Class Application  
PART II**

**Due by April 26, 2013** – To be mailed to LSC at 222 Market Ave N, Canton OH 44702

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**1. TUITION/COSTS** Following are the tuition and other costs to be paid by participants:

A. \$2,500 tuition must be paid by August 23, 2013. All tuition is non-refundable. *Limited tuition assistance is available; for more information go to [www.leadershipstarkcounty.org/application](http://www.leadershipstarkcounty.org/application), click on the Tuition Assistance link, and complete the form or call Fran Wells, director, at 330-458-2094.*

☐ **Please check if you plan to apply for partial Tuition Assistance.**

B. **Payment of \$25.00 application fee is due with submission of application.**

☐ Paid online (link found at [LeadershipStarkCounty.org](http://LeadershipStarkCounty.org))

☐ Check enclosed - made payable to **Leadership Stark County**

☐ Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



C. Who will pay your tuition? ☐ SPONSORING ORGANIZATION ☐ OTHER ☐ SELF

D. If tuition is paid by someone other than candidate, financial sponsor must complete the following:

I agree to pay \$\_\_\_\_\_ of the Leadership Stark County Signature program tuition for the above applicant, if accepted. I understand that if the applicant withdraws from the program for any reason the tuition is non-refundable. If multiple sponsors, please submit agreement for each sponsor.

Financial Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_ → Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Please Print Organization \_\_\_\_\_

**2. PARTICIPATION / COMMITMENT**

- The Leadership Stark County Signature program requires a serious commitment of time and energy.
- Full participation of each individual is necessary and attendance at each session is expected. (More than a total of 1 day's absence may render the candidate ineligible for graduation with their class. Make-ups during the following class year are permitted in order to complete the program.)
- Participation in the (overnight) two and a half-day opening retreat is mandatory.
- Participation in the asset building project groups is mandatory.
- Advance Site visit opportunities are optional.
- The total time commitment is a combined one to one and one-half full day per month.

**Please clear the following dates on your calendar:**

**Opening Retreat (Mandatory):** Sunday afternoon through Tuesday, September 22-24, 2013

**Monthly Sessions:** Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.:

October 10	2013	March 13	2014
November 14	2013	April 10	2014
December 12	2013	May 8	2014
January 9	2014	June 12	2014 (plus evening event)
February 13	2014	August 28	2014 (half day)

A. WILL YOU BE ABLE TO FULFILL THIS COMMITMENT? ☐ YES ☐ NO

B. HAVE YOU BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY WITHIN THE LAST 5 YEARS? IF YES, EXPLAIN. ☐ YES ☐ NO

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

I understand the purpose of Leadership Stark County and that completing this application does not ensure my acceptance into the class. If selected to participate, I will devote the time required to attend each program session and will pay my full tuition by August 23, 2013.

→ Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

C. THIS CANDIDATE HAS MY FULL SUPPORT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LEADERSHIP STARK COUNTY SIGNATURE PROGRAM. I AM AWARE OF THE TIME COMMITMENT INVOLVED IN HIS/HER EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION AS WELL AS THE FINANCIAL OBLIGATION. (SIGNED BY ORGANIZATION'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IF OTHER THAN APPLICANT).

Employer's Name \_\_\_\_\_ → Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Please Print Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

LEADERSHIP  
STARK COUNTY  
SIGNATURE PROGRAM

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PART III**

**LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT**

**(To be completed by employer, sponsor, or volunteer colleague)**

**Due Friday, April 26, 2013**

**The letter of endorsement** should tell the committee why this applicant should be included in the Leadership Stark County Signature program. *Any additional information included with this application will **not** be forwarded to the Selection Committee, i.e. resumes, additional endorsements, etc.*

**Greetings:** You are being asked to write a letter of endorsement for an applicant to the Leadership Stark County Signature program. The selection process seeks to identify individuals who will be involved in shaping the future of the area and to create a class that reflects the county's diversity.

The Signature Program selection process relies heavily on the recommendation in this Letter of Endorsement. Please comment on the applicant's qualifications according to the following criteria and also on your knowledge of the individual's personal strengths, goals and commitment.

Selection criteria include the applicant's ability to:

- Demonstrate high standards of personal integrity.
- Show evidence of leadership potential and commitment to community service.
- Confirm residency or employment in the Stark County area.

Please answer the following question in your letter of endorsement:

- Why do you believe this candidate meets the qualifications for participation in Leadership Stark County?

**Please be sure to include:**

Your name  
Company/title  
Relationship to applicant  
Phone  
Your signature

**Please return by Friday, April 26, 2013 to:**

Leadership Stark County  
222 Market Avenue North  
Canton, Ohio 44702

Thank you,



Fran Wells, Director



Glenda Zink, Selection Chair