



**Leadership Saginaw County Application
Class of 2027 (August 2026 - June 2027)**

Instructions

- Cost is \$1,500 (payable upon acceptance in the class).
- Please complete each section in full. Feel free to complete your answers on a separate sheet of paper.
- Submit **one letter of recommendation.**
- Both the Participant Commitment and Employer Commitment must be signed.
- Leadership Saginaw County notifies accepted candidates in June.

Leadership Saginaw County participants are selected based on the answers provided in this application. Please make sure you provide comprehensive answers. Applicants must be a member in good standing of the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce.

Please review the class dates carefully. Full participation on each class day is expected. If you cannot commit to attend the class days, the following year may be a better fit for you.

Is your company a member of the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce? Yes _____ No _____

Are you a member of the Saginaw County Young Professionals Network? Yes _____ No _____

Name _____ Title _____

Employer _____

Supervisor _____ Supervisor Email _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Work Email _____ Personal Email _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birthdate (month/day) _____

Education

College/University _____

City/State _____ Attended From/To _____

Degree Received _____

Professional/Business Affiliations

Organization Name _____

Position/Responsibility _____

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Community Involvement

Do not include business/professional affiliations. Specify years of involvement.

Organization _____

Responsibilities _____

From/To _____

Organization _____

Responsibilities _____

From/To _____

Narratives

You may type your answers on a separate piece of paper and attach to the application.

Please explain what you consider to be your most important accomplishment in one of the organizations you listed above. How did you exhibit a leadership role?

How do you intend to stay involved in community activities? (Example: elected public office, civic organizations, board positions)

Visions & Perspectives

What do you feel are the three most significant challenges facing Saginaw County today?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

What are your recommendations for approaching and resolving one of these challenges?

What do you feel are the three most notable opportunities Saginaw County has to offer?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Why do you want to participate in Leadership Saginaw County?

Other

Leadership Saginaw County may award a LIMITED number of PARTIAL scholarships based on need and availability. Check below if you would like to apply for tuition assistance and attach a letter of explanation for the request. Yes_____ No_____

Reference (add letter of reference on separate sheet)

Name_____ Phone_____

Address _____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Application Deadline is April 30

Email to:
lisa@saginawchamber.org

Mail to:
Leadership Saginaw County
Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce
515 N. Washington, 3rd Floor
Saginaw, MI 48607

Participant Commitment

I understand the purpose of the LEADERSHIP SAGINAW COUNTY program and, if I am selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. I acknowledge the program includes a two-day retreat in August, ten (10) one day sessions and graduation in June. I have reviewed the tentative class dates and see no conflicts with my schedule.

It is important that I make a full commitment to the Leadership Saginaw County Program in order to realize the full benefit of the Leadership Saginaw County experience. Even though emergencies do arise, I understand that the retreat and graduation are mandatory parts of this program and full participation is expected for all sessions, projects and interim activities. If I have more than two (2) absences, the Leadership Saginaw County Trustees have the right to remove me from the program, I will not graduate and tuition will be forfeited.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Applicant Name (printed) _____

Employer Commitment

The applicant has the approval of this company and its full support, including the time required to fully participate in this program. I understand that if the participant has more than two (2) absences, the Leadership Saginaw County Trustees have the right to remove the participant from the program, participant will not graduate and tuition will be forfeited.

Leadership Saginaw County Applicant Name (printed)_____

Supervisor (printed)_____

Phone_____ Email_____

Signature_____ Date_____



Class of 2027
Tentative Program Schedule
 (Date, time, and topic are subject to change)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Thursday, August 6, 2026	7:30am – 8:00 pm	MANDATORY Overnight Retreat
Friday, August 7, 2026	7:30am – 12:00pm	
Wednesday, September 16, 2026	8:00am – 5:00pm	History of Saginaw County
Wednesday, October 14, 2026	8:00am – 5:00pm	People Helping People
Wednesday, November 18, 2026	8:00am – 5:00pm	Economic Development
Wednesday, December 16, 2026	8:00am – 5:00pm	Diversity
Wednesday, January 20, 2027	8:00am – 5:00pm	Education
Thursday, February 4, 2027	7:30am – 9:00am	Chamber Perc Breakfast
Friday, February 19, 2027	8:00am – 5:00pm	Government Day
Wednesday, March 17, 2027	8:00am – 5:00pm	Public Safety
Wednesday, April 14, 2027	8:00am – 5:00pm	Health Care
Wednesday, May 19, 2027	8:00am – 5:00pm	Arts & Culture
Thursday, June 17, 2027	6:00pm – 6:30pm	Cocktail Reception
	6:30pm – 7:15pm	Dinner
	7:15pm – 8:30pm	Graduation

Full participation is expected for all sessions, projects and interim activities. Class members with more than two (2) absences may be subject to removal from the program and tuition will be forfeited.