

LEADERSHIP DALTON-WHITFIELD APPLICATION

Date _____ Date of birth _____

Name (and nickname) _____

Home address _____

Home phone _____

Spouse's name _____

Where do you currently reside? (indicate # of years) _____

Whitfield County – inside city _____ outside city _____

Other _____

Education _____

Employer _____

Category - circle one

Bank/Financial

Carpet/carpet related

Clergy

Education

Government

Healthcare

Non-carpet big business

Non-carpet small business

Not-for-profit

Professional

Utilities

Volunteer

Business address _____

Business phone _____ Business fax _____

E-mail address _____

Job function _____

Civic, professional or volunteer activities: _____

How would you use your leadership training to benefit the community? _____

Please mail or fax application to the attention of Leadership Dalton-Whitfield,
Dalton-Whitfield Chamber of Commerce, 890 College Drive, Dalton, GA 30720

Phone – (706) 278-7373, Fax – (706) 226-8739

Visit our website: www.daltonchamber.org

LEADERSHIP FACT SHEET

THE LEADERSHIP DALTON-WHITFIELD PROGRAM builds and strengthens a better community through training its leaders for the challenges of tomorrow. The Dalton-Whitfield Leadership program began in 1986 and now has approximately 800 graduates!

THE GOAL of leadership Dalton-Whitfield is to develop informed leaders and channel their ideas and experiences toward community resources, issues and concerns to help direct the future of Dalton and Whitfield County. This goal is achieved by programs, informal discussions and participatory experiences.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE? The Leadership Advisory Committee solicits and reviews nominations for the program. Participants are those who have been identified as having an interest in the community and a sincere commitment to making Dalton and Whitfield County a better place to work and live. Participants are chosen to represent the occupational and demographic diversity in the community. No age limit is observed when selecting program participants.

THE CURRICULUM includes a weekend retreat in late August, one full day session per month from September through April (excluding December) and a commencement activity in May. Each program session concentrates on a specific area of the community using panel discussions, speakers, special presentations and participatory experiences. A homework assignment is to be completed prior to each session and usually takes approximately two hours to complete.

TOPICS COVERED include local government, the judicial system, local economics, quality of life, the education system, medical services, state government, cultural diversity, volunteerism and leadership skills.

THE COST for Leadership Dalton-Whitfield is \$1,000, which includes all retreat expenses, meals at the monthly programs, materials needed throughout the year, transportation for the state government session and graduation fees.

SCHOLARSHIPS are available to a limited number of participants. For more information, contact Phyllis Stephens at the Chamber of Commerce (278-7373, extension 104).

COMMENCEMENT is held in May. Participants and their spouses, as well as alumni, are invited to enjoy a festive evening, receive yearbooks, and celebrate the year's highlights. Diplomas are awarded only to those participants who have missed no more than two programs.

THE BENEFITS for Leadership Dalton-Whitfield participants include learning specific leadership skills, gaining a broad base exposure to the community, meeting peers in other fields and forming friendships and networks to benefit professional and volunteer activities. In addition, the community gains a group of trained leaders who have developed a heightened sense of civic concern and responsibility.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT is for large and small business people, community volunteers, professionals, civic/government employees and **YOU!**

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