

*Developing Leaders Today to Shape our Tomorrow*

CLASS OF 2018 APPLICATION

# APPLICATION FORM

Please type or print in ink. The application is available electronically at [www.leadershipskagit.org](http://www.leadershipskagit.org) or email Kathryn Bennett, Director, at bennettrk@comcast.net to have the application sent to you as a Word document. Please complete each section fully. **The application must be signed by both the applicant and the employer/sponsor** (if applicable) **and postmarked or received no later than 5:00 pm on June 16, 2017** (to the address on last page of application). **Please enclose a $50 nonrefundable application fee payable to the EDASC Foundation.** Résumés are not accepted in lieu of this application.

# TUITION

**Tuition for each selected participant in Leadership Skagit is $1,700 of which ten per cent is recommended to be paid by the participant. Tuition is payable upon receipt of invoice after acceptance into the program and must be paid on or before August 16, 2017.** Tuition is non-refundable. Leadership Skagit has limited tuition assistance and payment plans available; for a Tuition Assistance/Payment Plan Request Form, email Kathryn Bennett, Director, at bennettrk@comcast.net. Neither your request for tuition assistance nor payment plan options will impact the review of your application.

**EARLYBIRD DISCOUNT**

**A discount of $100 is given to applications postmarked or received no later than 5 pm on May 16, 2017.**

# TIME COMMITMENT

# Class participants are expected to attend all program and team sessions and activities:

* “Beginning Your Journey” session on **September 15, 2017**
* 2-day “Exemplary Leadership” overnight retreat\* on **September 25-26, 2017**
* Full day sessions from 7:30am to 5pm:

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| **October 20, 2017** | **February 16, 2018** |
| **November 17, 2017** | **March 16, 2018** |
| **December 8, 2017** | **April 20, 2018** |
| **January 19, 2018** | **May 18, 2018** |

* 1.5 day “Challenge of Change” overnight retreat on **May 30**/**May 31, 2018**
* Project Presentation Rehearsals - **June 6, 2018** (2 hrs.)
* Project Community Presentations **- June 12, 2018** (1/2 Day)
* Graduation Ceremony and Banquet **-June 13, 2018** (3 hrs.)
* Participate in all class and team projects and activities requiring time outside of class.

**LEADERSHIP SKAGIT CLASS OF 2018**

#### I PERSONAL DATA

Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Home Mailing Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*(Street) (City) (Zip Code)*

Home E-mail\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone

**Your response to the following questions will help us understand the demographics of our application pool; however, you are not required to complete this section.**

*Leadership Skagit seeks a class that is reflective of the diversity of the Skagit County. Your responses to the following will assist our program; however, your response is OPTIONAL. If appropriate, more than one box may be checked.* I consider myself to be:

□ Caucasian □ Black/African American □ Asian □ Native American □ Hispanic/Latino

□ Is there any other category of diversity with which you identify? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Gender: □ M □ F □ Other \_\_\_\_\_\_ Age: □ 21-25 □ 26-35 □ 36-45 □ 46-55 □ 56+

Length of Residence in Skagit County\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Veteran?

Hobbies/Interests\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# II EDUCATION (Please list high school/any college/training experience, degrees or certificates earned.)

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III EMPLOYMENT

Business/Organization\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position

Business Mailing Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*(Street) (City) (Zip Code)*

Business Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Business E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of years you have worked for this company

*(If you have been with this company < two years or if you are retired, where did you work before/ what position?)*

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###### IV COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

1. We would like to know more about the community and/or business involvement of the incoming class. Please share a bit with us about your activities and interests (work, community, social, sports etc.). How much time do you currently spend on volunteer work of any kind (per month or per year)?
2. What do you want to accomplish as a community leader in the next five years?
3. What do you hope to gain from your experience with Leadership Skagit?
4. What do you hope to contribute to Leadership Skagit?

#### V YOUR THOUGHTS AND PERSPECTIVES

One of the goals of Leadership Skagit is to build a network of community leaders who enhance their communication, problem solving and critical thinking skills by sharing perspectives and working together. To get you thinking about Skagit County and leadership, please provide a brief response to these questions.

**A.** What do you believe are the three most notable opportunities and /or strengths of Skagit County?

**B.** What do you believe are the three most significant problems facing Skagit County now?

**C.** What suggestions do you have to address these problems and/or to improve upon our county’s

strengths?

**D.** What do you believe is the most significant leadership quality necessary to bring about

positive change within Skagit County?

**PERSONAL COMMITMENT**

**TIME:** The time commitment is essential. Leadership Skagit participants are expected to attend all sessions. In addition, your project team participation is required and includes regular meetings and work sessions outside of class days. Leadership Skagit will allow absence due to emergencies, illness or extraordinary circumstances and will review each request; The program will review the performance of all participants with more than 8-hours absence. Options, including being asked to withdraw from the class, may be enforced.

**TUITION & FEES**: Applications are due by 5 pm, June 16, 2017, with a $50 non-refundable handling fee enclosed. Tuition for Leadership Skagit 2018 is $1,700 and is due by August 16, 2017. There is a $100 Early Bird tuition discount when applications are received by May 16, 2017. All participants are recommended to pay 10% of the tuition themselves. The participant is responsible to ensure that all tuition monies are paid by themselves or their sponsoring business or organization to the EDASC Foundation (or a payment plan is approved) by August 16, 2017. Tuition payment plans and tuition assistance forms are available on request.

**COMMITMENT:**  I understand the purposes of the Leadership Skagit program and if selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete this program, including class time, out-of-class time, and tuition. I understand that participation will require attending sessions and meetings throughout Skagit County. I understand attendance at all class sessions and team activities is required. As a courtesy to other participants and guest speakers, I will arrive prepared and on time for each session and I will stay for the entire session. I understand that the EDASC Foundation/Leadership Skagit Board of Directors may be made aware of any absences and the reasons for absences. I understand I may lose the opportunity to participate and may not graduate from the program because of absences. Tuition will not be refunded. I agree to support and follow the ground rules as developed by the class and my team and all policies and requirements of the program. **I understand the above** **commitment and agree to be bound by it by signing this application.**

Applicant’s Signature: Date:

**E- Mail this Application to:**

**Mail this Application to:**

**Leadership Skagit**

**PO Box 40,**

**Mount Vernon, WA 98273**

*(If the participant is employed by someone other than him/herself, the employer is to complete this section).*

This application has the approval of this organization/business and the applicant has our full support. We understand that the applicant is required to attend all days of the program and will have other team meetings and activities to attend to complete a community project. **We support the time and effort of the applicant necessary to successfully complete this program.**

Employer’s Signature Title Date

Organization/Business Phone/Email

**E-mail this Application to:**

**bennettrk@comcast.net**

OR

**EMPLOYER/SPONSOR COMMITMENT**