

LEADERSHIP CHESTER COUNTY strengthens future nonprofit boards by developing leaders who will focus on creating a vibrant, safe and inclusive community.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

NONPROFIT GOVERNANCE

- Board Governance
- Board Development
- Nonprofit Fiscal Management
- Risk Management
- Strategic Planning
- Board Fiduciary Responsibility
- Fundraising/Philanthropy 101

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

- Relational Leadership
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Balancing Commitments
- Community Problem Solving
- Advocacy

CHESTER COUNTY SPECIFIC

- Chester County Tour
- Nonprofit Challenge
- Nonprofit Perspective - Agency Fair
- Graduation Gala



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Leadership Chester County is a partnership between United Way of Chester County, Chester County Chamber of Business & Industry and West Chester University.

"LCC has provided me a wealth of information about board governance and the abundance of opportunities available to serve in my community. The presenters were knowledgeable, engaging and a wonderful resource."



Marianne Bowman
Billing Supervisor, Communications Test Design, Inc.

Accounting and data analysis professional interested in children and youth services

"LCC has enabled me to discover and understand the infrastructure that exists to help serve our communities. I look forward to being able to serve others by offering my time and expertise as a nonprofit board member."



W. Paul Cardell
VP of Corporate Operations, Communications Test Design, Inc.

Executive with expertise in sales & operations, public speaking, team building & organizational development. Interested in serving handicapped teens and adults.

"LCC increased my awareness of the needs in Chester County, has given me a good foundation for effective board service and introduced me to challenges that boards face while showing how rewarding the positive outcomes can be."



Philip Conard
Technical Support Analyst, Bentley Systems, Inc.

US Navy veteran with interests in farming, construction & home repair, health care and environmental pursuits.

"Attending LCC has given me a unique look at the importance of board service. As a member of a nonprofit board, the information will allow me to serve my organization for years to come."



David Falcone
Attorney, Saul Ewing LLP

Real estate lawyer interested in serving local, grassroots organizations.



"LCC has been an insightful learning experience about the nonprofit sector and community needs. It has inspired me to become more involved to help as much as I can to improve tomorrow's future."

David Faulkner
Finance Manager, Bentley Systems, Inc.

Expertise in accounting and finance. Interested in sports related youth development.



"An eye-opening experience and a great grounding for being on a nonprofit board. I made great connections with professionals with similar interests as well as a network of experts."

Connie Fogarty
Senior Director, Managed Market Operations, AstraZeneca

Executive with expertise in pharmaceuticals, marketing, finance, accounting, operations and strategy concerned with health related issues.



"LCC was a great opportunity to learn about nonprofits and the general responsibilities of being a board member. It also provided the invaluable chance to meet other like-minded Chester County residents."

Basel Frens
Associate, Gawthrop Greenwood PC

Business, finance and real estate lawyer interested in economic development, housing, environmental conservation, history.



"I found LCC to be an invaluable resource centralizing years of experience and instruction into a comprehensive program that taught me how to most effectively contribute my time and community service efforts."

Brandon Gamble
Attorney, Kent & McBride PC

Practiced in commercial premises, motor vehicle, construction defect & insurance defense litigation. Interested in food provision, housing & basic needs.



"LCC provided valuable insights into how to effectively govern and manage nonprofits. Through the comprehensive curriculum and hands-on experience, I cannot envision a better program to prepare individuals for board service."

David A. Gomez
Attorney, Lamb McErlane PC

Litigation, health care & pharmaceutical law. Interested in mentoring & tutoring middle & high school students; education and health care policy.



"LCC has provided the foundation for me to channel my talents into a nonprofit. The insight into board structure, finances, legal aspects and personal obligations will be invaluable as I move forward with potential board options."

Janie Gordon
Sponsored by former employer Bentley Systems, Inc.

IT leader with sales, marketing, software development, professional & human resource deliverables. Interested in educational services for children.



"LCC has provided a strong understanding of board governance and the unique challenges boards face. I have been exposed to many nonprofit organizations in Chester County and have expanded my professional network."



Michael Hankin
Director of Business Development, The Hankin Group

Accounting, finance, strategy, operations, internal controls & process improvement expertise with interest in learning & education, youth, health & wellness.

"I thought the caliber of the speakers in the LCC program was outstanding, and it gave us an excellent holistic education on how to be a more effective member on a nonprofit board."



Gary S. Hess
Financial Advisor, uFinancial, sponsored by West Chester Rotary Club

Financial planning and investment management

"LCC offered the opportunity to experience what happens when people of various backgrounds and skillsets come together to solve a problem. Time with industry experts and the collaborative project led to innovative solutions to a complex social issue."



Paige A. Kennedy
Business Manager, West Chester University

Finance & budgeting manager interested in affordable housing, medical care, education & employment training education and health care policy.

"I've been in the social service field for over 30 years and there is still more to learn! Helpful looking at it from a Board member role and responsibility perspective."



Terry Kenworthy
Manager, Agency Relations, United Way of Chester County

Expertise in social service with interest in women's issues, youth development and coalition building.



"LCC is an engaging and comprehensive program. The functional topics, expanded awareness of the community's needs and networking all unite to make this an intriguing curriculum."

John Litchert
CFO, Brandywine Valley Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.

Executive with accounting, finance, operations & strategic management expertise. Interested in childhood education and fitness, reading, and adequate housing.



"LCC has really helped teach me all that is involved in nonprofit work and volunteerism. It has helped me recognize the need that is out there, and what part I can play."

Jennifer Mack
Market Manager, Citadel Federal Credit Union

Banking and finance expert with interest in children and sports.



"LCC has provided me with a clear understanding of my responsibilities and the importance of being an active board member."

Rae Marsden
AVP, Branch Manager, First Niagara Bank

Banking professional with management expertise and multiple certifications. Interested in advocacy for children with disabilities.



"The LCC program has provided me with broad insight into board leadership and what will be expected of me as a contributing member. I particularly enjoyed our group project and working with so many people committed to the success of the program."

Stephanie McGowan
Executive Sales Assistant, Bentley Systems, Inc.

Sales professional interested in women and children's healthcare and education.



"LCC has given me a broader perspective on the inner and divergent workings of boards. I look forward to taking what I learned along with my life experience to increase the productivity and success of the board on which I am placed."

Lauren K. Milks
Attorney, Lamb McErlane PC

Lawyer with client development, collaboration, fundraising, marketing & event coordination experience. Interested in youth and senior citizen issues.



"I am eager to apply my experience from LCC and contribute to my community. West Chester is a true 'community' and I feel well-versed in understanding the approach to nonprofit board leadership."

Matt D. Milks
Senior Process Facilitator, AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals

Expertise in pharmaceuticals operations with analytical, financial, engineering and entrepreneurial skills.

"The LCC opportunity, taught by inspiring leaders surrounded by dedicated classmates, generated an excitement about nonprofit leadership that I can take to my current position and as a future board member."



Marilee W. Mohr
VP, Director of Resident Care, The Hickman

Nursing administrator in long-term care community interested in serving seniors, the military and veterans and animal rescue programs.

"As a lifelong social worker it was especially interesting and challenging to learn new skills from a business perspective."



Mary Ann Nagel
Program Manager, Catholic Social Services

Bilingual licensed clinical social worker interested in serving community health, women and children.

"LCC introduced me to the world of nonprofit board governance and community service opportunities available in Chester County. I am looking forward to serving the community by becoming a board member."



Pratheep Nair
Software Architect, Siemens Healthcare

Experienced IT professional interested in youth development.

"I have attended other nonprofit certificate programs and this is by far the best. You gain so much practical wisdom from the experienced and engaging presenters who practice nonprofit community leadership themselves."



Suketu Patel
Principal Clinical Submission Specialist, AstraZeneca

Pharmaceutical scientific communications and clinical submission management specialist interested in improving community health.

"LCC has given me a comprehensive view of the world of nonprofits. This course provided the information, tools and insight of how the business world and nonprofit world meet and can work together to make a difference in our community."



Joanne B. Peskoff
Attorney

Lawyer with background in domestic relations, support and custody.

"Face-time with truly exceptional, gifted and passionate instructors was a valuable and inspiring call to service."



Joe Raimato
e-Learning Designer, Citadel Federal Credit Union

Professional with leadership development, community banking, learning and technology, communications and whole child development expertise. Interested in organizational and economic development, youth leadership, music and the arts.



"The guest speakers were interesting and provided insight into many topics that individuals don't think about before joining a board. There is also a lot you can apply from this class to your personal and professional life."

Carol Schmersahl
Senior Manager, Vanguard

Controller for commercial real estate developer and Senior Manager for investment firm. Interested in senior citizens, workforce development, emergency food, clothing & shelter.



"LCC was inspiring. The expert presentations and the connections with my classmates clarified the needs of Chester County residents as well as the creativity of the community - especially in challenging times."

Susan Souder
Global Compliance Director, AstraZeneca

Corporate compliance, risk management & research collaboration expertise from an accomplished clinical psychologist. Interests include education, healthcare & emergency response.



"Fantastic training and exposure to all aspects of nonprofits. Provides a vast network of human resources. Tremendously valuable experience to help you better serve the community."

Robert H. Whitlock
Emeritus Professor of Veterinary Medicine, sponsored by Good Neighbors, Inc.

Professional with extensive background in large animal internal medicine, grants & fund development expertise.



"It has been a tremendously eye-opening experience to see the scope and depth of responsibilities of nonprofits. It is clear why they need help and dependable, competent board members. Networking opportunities within the class are excellent."

James Zawicki
Manager, Marketing Communications, Sartomer USA, LLC

Marketing and communications professional with an interest in faith-based social services.

