



LEADERSHIP STOCKTON PARTICIPANTS...

- ★ enhance their leadership skills.
- ★ learn how they can gain a leadership role in efforts to improve the community, both socially and economically.
- ★ build effective relationships with Stockton's key decision makers.
- ★ build personal contacts with employees at many local government agencies.
- ★ gain a greater understanding of community issues affecting the future of the greater Stockton area.
- ★ develop lifelong relationships with other program participants and Leadership Stockton alumni.
- ★ develop an understanding of the greater Stockton community that is informed, sophisticated and visionary.
- ★ quickly find solutions to economic and social problems facing Stockton, its public institutions and its private industries.

"The Leadership Stockton program allows participants to gain insight into a multitude of issues and agencies that are impacting our communities. It provides a forum and an exchange of ideas between current leaders and those who will lead in the future."

Ed Chavez – Class of 1984

Mayor of the City of Stockton and Retired Stockton Chief of Police

"Leadership Stockton has been a tremendous force in helping individuals determine what, how and when they would like to serve the community of Stockton. For me, a 20 year alumni, Leadership Stockton was a major cornerstone for my career, business relationships and community commitment. Communities who support leadership programs like these are only enhanced."

Luis H. Sanchez – Class of 1983

First Vice President, Washington Mutual Western Region

"Since graduation from college, my experience with Leadership Stockton peaks as one of the most educational and influential markers in my professional and business career. If you are doing business in Stockton, or if you want to make Stockton even more special, you must consider the investment in Leadership Stockton."

Janet Lilly – Class of 2001

*Owner, Janet Lilly & Associates, Inc.
President, African American Chamber of Commerce*

"The Leadership Stockton program provides an opportunity to develop your leadership skills as well as providing a framework of knowledge for understanding our community."

Victor Mow – Class of 1989

San Joaquin County Supervisor, District 3

"From the outside looking in or the inside looking out, Leadership Stockton shows you everything; history, the economy, politics and society, the fibers that bind our community together. When you see all this you don't only appreciate the landscape but you're ready to help shape it."

Michael Patrick Duffy – Class of 1995

President/CEO, Financial Center Credit Union

"The Leadership Stockton program provided me with essential knowledge of the resources available to me within our community. Leadership Stockton has been invaluable to me as an involved Stocktonian and business owner."

Charlynn Harless – Class of 1984

President & Owner, Legacy Enterprises Insurance Services, Inc.



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**GIVING STOCKTON'S LEADERS
THE TOOLS THEY NEED
TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**



**"The worth of a person's life will be
measured by the difference he or she has
made in the lives of others."**

*Gordon Medlin, Father Asparagus
Co-Founder, Stockton Asparagus Festival*



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**A leadership development program of the
GREATER STOCKTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

WHAT IS LEADERSHIP STOCKTON?

Leadership Stockton prepares the next generation of men and women who will assume leadership roles in the greater Stockton community. Both seasoned leaders and people aspiring to be a leader will benefit from Leadership Stockton.

This eleven month community leadership program offers participants an opportunity to increase their community knowledge, civic network, and service to the community. Participants are exposed to key issues facing Stockton and the surrounding region.

Leadership Stockton sets the stage for positive change in our community. Alumni make evident the impact of what they have learned in the program by their daily activities and community involvement.

WHO SHOULD APPLY TO LEADERSHIP STOCKTON?

Ideal candidates demonstrate an interest in community involvement, a talent for leadership and well developed problem solving abilities. Every class is balanced to reflect a broad spectrum of interests, occupations, and cultural backgrounds. Enrollment is limited to approximately twenty-six students in each class.

All applicants must be able to devote one full day each month to the program, plus attend a two day, overnight retreat. Scholarships are available for those applicants who need financial assistance.

Leadership Stockton participants are chosen by a selection committee. Selection is based on a written application and personal interview.

CLASS TOPICS

ORIENTATION - Meet your fellow classmates and hear about Leadership Stockton's goals and expectations.

TEAM BUILDING - Learn more about yourself and your classmates through a variety of team building and self exploration exercises.

LEADERSHIP RETREAT - This overnight retreat is focused on having fun while learning about leadership, each other, and choosing the class community projects.

STOCKTON HISTORY, ARTS & CULTURE - Look at the region's rich history as well as today's arts and culture scene.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT - A mock city council meeting is part of this session looking at how local politics and government operate.

EDUCATION - Learn firsthand about the local education system, including a visit to a local school.

JUSTICE SYSTEM - Learn about the operations of the Stockton Police Department and the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office. A special presentation on gangs as well as a Jail tour are part of this class.

COMMUNITY SERVING COMMUNITY - A hands-on look at local community based organizations available to address community needs.

HEALTH CARE - A look at the Health Care system and issues in Stockton and San Joaquin County.

ECONOMY - A look at the local economy through presentations by industry and local economic development leaders.

POLITICS – A DAY AT THE CAPITOL - This Thursday session is held at the California State Capitol. See government in action and meet your local legislators as they work for your interests in Stockton and the region.

CLOSING SESSION / GRADUATION - Review your activities of the past eleven months including community involvement and community development.

To apply to Leadership Stockton, call (209) 547-2770 today!



Downtown Paddle was a successful Leadership Stockton project at the 2004 Asparagus Festival in downtown Stockton.