
Leadership Coos 35th Annual Session

2025-2026
Application

A
Bay Area Chamber of Commerce
Program



CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION

Leadership Coos, sponsored by the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, engages participants in understanding community needs and empowers them to shape the future of the Bay Area through informed leadership. By the end of the 9-month program, participants are prepared to take advantage of opportunities for community involvement and leadership.

Completed applications are due and tuition is to be paid by **August 1, 2025**. Sessions will begin on **Tuesday, September 9, 2025**.

Participants will travel on buses to various locations around the county, with walking required during some tours—rain or shine, indoors and out. Bus riding is required unless prior arrangements are made with the program coordinator. Sessions are intentionally jam-packed with information and experiences—we're not trying to make you an expert in every area. Our goal is to introduce you to a wide range of opportunities so you can discover what inspires you and where you can be most impactful, both in your career and in the community. Please notify us of any accessibility needs.

PERSONAL DATA

Full Name: _____

Preferred first name or nickname: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home address: _____

Street/PO Box City State/Zip _____

Business address: _____

Street/PO Box City State/Zip _____

Cell/Home phone: _____ Business phone: _____

Send program correspondence to: Email: _____

Length of residence in the Bay Area: _____ How long in Oregon: _____

Help us get to know you! Tell us three interesting or fun facts about yourself (for team-building icebreakers):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Accessibility or accommodation needs:

EDUCATION

Begin with high school, including college(s), degrees, or specialized training:

School Name & Location	Dates (From/To)	Degree (if any)
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EMPLOYMENT

Present Employer: _____
Title: _____

Type of Organization: _____ How long? _____

Responsibilities: _____

Previous Employment / Military Service (if applicable):

Professional Affiliations (not civic/service):

Organization	Position	From/To
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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

A. Recent Community Activities:

Organization	Responsibilities/Offices Held	From/To

B. Most important accomplishment in one of the above organizations and why:

C. What kind of volunteer activities are you interested in for the future?

D. Other interests or hobbies:

PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS

Please answer the following questions as concisely as possible:

1. How do you think Leadership Coos will help you reach your personal and professional goals?

2. How do you envision applying this experience to benefit the community?

3. What do you feel are the most significant problems facing the Bay Area? What should be done about one of them?

4. What are the most notable opportunities in the Bay Area? How could one be further developed?

APPLICANT COMMITMENT

Leadership Coos requires full-day participation, one Tuesday per month (September–May),

I understand the purpose of the Leadership Coos program, and I will devote the time necessary to complete the program. I will attend all sessions and actively engage in learning and networking. I understand Leadership Coos continues beyond graduation and encourages ongoing civic engagement and leadership.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

EMPLOYER COMMITMENT

Our organization supports this applicant's participation in Leadership Coos, including time and tuition.

Employer/Sponsor Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Organization: _____

TUITION & PAYMENT

Tuition: \$875 – includes meals, transportation, a custom swag bag with class-branded gear, a yearbook, and access to an exclusive alumni Facebook group. Participants gain VIP access, behind-the-scenes tours, and elite networking with Coos County's top leaders—your backstage pass to the region's most influential circles.

Tuition will be paid by:

☐ Employer ☐ Myself

Requesting 50% Scholarship?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, apply for:

☐ Young Professional Scholarship (ages 21–35)

☐ Community Leadership Scholarship

Scholarships are made possible through support from the Southwestern Oregon Workforce Investment Board (SOWIB). Availability is limited, and submission does not guarantee approval.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?

☐ Website ☐ Employer ☐ Friends ☐ Chamber Event

☐ Social Media ☐ Alumni ☐ Flyer ☐ Other: _____

DIETARY NEEDS

☐ Vegan ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Gluten Free ☐ Dairy Free ☐ Nut-Free ☐ N/A

☐ Other: _____

Breakfast and lunch are provided at each session. We do our best to accommodate dietary needs, but participants are always welcome to bring their own food if preferred..

RETURN APPLICATION & PAYMENT TO:

Jolene Krossman, Program Coordinator

Bay Area Chamber of Commerce

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Checks payable to: Bay Area Chamber of Commerce

Visa/MasterCard accepted

Tuition is required with application. Refunds (minus \$25) available before first session.