



## Statement of Purpose

It is the goal of Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County to develop a source of informed, civic-oriented, volunteer leaders who are interested in helping direct the future of Cadiz and Trigg County.

## Tentative Class VIII Schedule

Wednesday, August 16, 2023	Retreat & Orientation
Wednesday, September 20, 2023	Agriculture Day
Wednesday, October 18, 2023	Community & Project Day
Wednesday, November 15, 2023	Media & Heritage Day
Wednesday, January 17, 2024	Government & Hospital Day
Wednesday, February 21, 2024	Education Day
Wednesday, March 20, 2024	Military Day
Wednesday, April 17, 2024	Business & Industry Day
Wednesday, May 15, 2024	Tourism Day/Quality of Life
Thursday, June 20, 2024	Graduation at Annual Dinner

\*Subject to change\*

## What is Leadership?

Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County is a program designed to develop the leadership potential existing in our community. It brings together individuals with diverse backgrounds and experiences, who have demonstrated talent and commitment for leadership. Monthly educational sessions are designed to promote interest and awareness of local issues and challenges, and a rare opportunity to interact with community leaders in government, business, and civic organizations. Participants will take part in lectures, panel discussions, demonstrations, field trips and special projects. Business casual is appropriate for most outings.

### The program includes:

- One full day in the community each month in various locations throughout the area.
- Opportunities to network with community leaders and other leadership groups.
- Small group discussions.
- Facility tours.
- Extensive program, class, and community related group presentations.
- Community service events.
- Training in leadership skills.
- Completion of a community project (see project requirements below).

### The program will:

- Provide a systematic educational program to familiarize participants with the community's opportunities, needs, problems, and resources.
- Establish an effective dialogue and peer-relationship arena among participants and program alumni, as a common ground for present and future communication.
- Provide a rapport among participants and individuals currently in leadership positions within the community.
- Identify individuals who have demonstrated leadership qualities and concern for the community's future.

### Selection Criteria

Participation in Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County is a competitive process open to individuals working or living in Trigg County. The Selection Committee will select up to 20 participants who represent a cross-section of the community. Applicants must have the full support of the organization or business they represent in order to commit the time and effort required by the program. It is an honor to be chosen for Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County; therefore, there is an expectation that the individual will remain involved in Cadiz and Trigg County in the future. Selection is based on an application that can be obtained from and returned to the Chamber of Commerce by the published deadline date of **Friday, June 23, 2023**.

Pending review by the Selection Committee, all applicants will be notified by **July 10, 2023** of their acceptance or non-acceptance. Admission is expected to be highly competitive and those not chosen are encouraged to reapply the following year.

## Attendance Requirements

It is an honor to be chosen for Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County and, as such, attendance at every session, community day and activity is mandatory. This also includes the opening retreat, Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner, and the class project. Participants will be allowed to miss one full session but are encouraged to make up the session at the appropriate time the following year.

If a class member misses a community day for extenuating circumstances, that individual may stay in the class. However, to fulfill the graduation requirements, the missed day must be completed during the following class year. If you or your employer is unable to make this commitment, it is not in your best interest to apply.

## Tuition

A small tuition fee is charged for the Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County program, which covers all the participant's meals and instructional materials used throughout the course. **The fee is \$250 for Chamber of Commerce members or \$300 for non-members.** No refunds will be issued for any reason following the opening retreat. A limited number of partial scholarships or sponsorships may be available for hardship situations.

## Class Project

Part of the graduation requirements for Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County is the completion of a class project. Projects must be tangible, completed by the date of graduation (weather permitting), beneficial to the community, and collaboratively developed by the class members.

### Previous "Pass It On" projects include:

Lake Barkley State Resort Park (2012-2014)  
Seven Friends Memorial (2014)  
Cadiz Housing Authority Playgrounds (2014)  
Trigg County Recreation Complex Horse Arena (2015)  
Trigg County Recreation Complex Multipurpose Facility Research (2017)  
Trigg County Senior Citizens Center Project (2018)  
Cadiz Bicentennial Stage Project (2019)  
Put A Roof On It Farmers Market (2022)  
Lexie Bush Convention Center Stage (2023)

Please give serious consideration to all criteria and requirements before applying. If you have any questions, please contact:

Beth Sumner, Membership Director - 270-522-0259 / [beth@triggchamber.org](mailto:beth@triggchamber.org)



## Leadership Cadiz-Trigg County 2023-24 Confidential Application

Type or print in black ink.

Please complete each section in full and include (2) letters of recommendation.

Applications must be signed by both sponsor and candidate and received no later than **June 23, 2023**.

LATE/INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Applicants will be notified after the Selection Committee has met to review and select the new class.

### PERSONAL DATA:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Polo Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

**RESUME:** Please attach a current resume that includes education, special recognition, employment history and community involvement.

**COMMUNITY AWARENESS ESSAY:** Please write a required short essay about one (1) asset and three (3) areas that could be improved for the betterment of our community.

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**PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT:**

To graduate from Cadiz-Trigg County Leadership, you, as a participant, are required to attend **ALL** days. I understand the purposes of the Cadiz-Trigg County Leadership program and if I am selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. I further understand that the days of the Leadership program class I will have to be on time and will have to stay until class has ended.

Opening Retreat and Orientation is mandatory. No exception will be made.

*I understand that if I miss one of the class sessions, I will not be eligible for graduation until I complete the missed session during the following class year. I understand that if I miss more than one session, for whatever reason, I will no longer be eligible for graduation from the program and no portion of the tuition shall be refunded.*

I understand these commitments and agree to be bound by them in signing this application.

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Applicant Signature

Date

**EMPLOYER COMMITMENT:**

This application has the approval of this organization and the applicant has our full support, which includes the time required to participate in the program. I have read and agree to the program purpose, selection criteria, attendance requirements and tuition refund policy.

I understand these commitments and agree to be bound by them in signing this application.

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Employer / Direct Supervisor Signature

Date

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Employer / Direct Supervisor Phone & Email

Please return this application and a resume by **June 23, 2023** to the Trigg County Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 647 or 5748 Hopkinsville Road, Cadiz, KY 42211.

Applications can also be returned to:

Beth Sumner, Membership Director 270-522-0259 / [beth@triggchamber.org](mailto:beth@triggchamber.org)

