



LEADERSHIP OTSEGO
OTSEGO COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Leadership Otsego Mission:

To develop and enhance the leadership skills of committed citizens from a broad representation of background and motivate them to community service and business leadership.

- Learn more about the community's rich history, continuing needs, challenges and resources.
- Gain experience in group dynamics, team leadership, presentation skills, and professional and personal growth.
- Have access to a network of business, government and community leaders/resources.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Complete the attached application and secure two references. Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling admissions basis until the class is filled, or until April 2nd. Admission to the program is at the discretion of the Program Coordinator, in consultation with the Leadership Advisory Council and President of the Chamber. Applications will be acknowledged within two weeks of submission. A personal interview may be requested. Class size is limited.

The **LEADERSHIP OTSEGO** program seeks individuals representing a cross section of Otsego County, including people from business, industry, education, the arts, religion, government and community-based organizations. Applications representing a business or organization must have the full support of that entity.

COMMITMENT

Attendance

The time commitment for class participation is 6 months, from April through September. Sessions include a dinner orientation, full-day sessions held on the second Wednesday of each month starting at 8:30 am and ending at 4:00pm, and an evening graduation. Your acceptance into the Leadership Otsego class commits you to **participate in all required Leadership Otsego sessions.**

Outside of class time, Class members are expected to complete activities and participate in a group project with other class members.

Tuition

Tuition* is \$900, which must be paid-in-full before the program begins. If you need assistance, please contact the President of the Otsego County Chamber for further information.

- Tuition for Otsego County Chamber of Commerce Members is \$850.

**Tuition cost is applied to program expenses, such as food and learning materials for the 6 month period*



Leadership Otsego Confidential Application

Name _____
Last First Middle Initial

Home Address _____
Number Street City Zip Code

Home or Cell Phone _____ Home/Personal email _____

Employer _____

Employer Address _____
Number Street City Zip Code

Work Phone _____ Work email _____

Where do you prefer mail/email contact? Home Workplace

Where do prefer phone contact? Home Workplace

1. Education (Name of school, date & degree)

High School _____

College/s _____

2. Employment

Present Employer _____ Date Began _____

Present Title or Responsibility _____

Previous Employment	Responsibility	From-To
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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3. What do you consider your highest responsibility, skill or career achievement to date?



4. **Activities:** Describe your activities and organization involvement.

5. Why do you want to participate in Leadership Otsego, and what qualities do you feel you can bring to the success of the program?

6. How long have you lived/worked in Otsego County? _____

7. What do you think is the most significant challenge facing Otsego County?

8. **Tuition:** If accepted into the Leadership Otsego program, who should receive the invoice for tuition?

Name _____

Address _____

9. **References:** Your references should be returned with these forms directly to Barbara Ann, President and CEO of the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Otsego program.

	Name	Address	Phone
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____



10. Commitment:

Applicant

I understand the goals of Leadership Otsego and the commitment I am being asked to make. I will participate in an opening dinner orientation at the beginning of the program. I will attend all required sessions/functions sponsored by Leadership Otsego and will devote the time necessary to be a contributing member of the class.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Employer/Sponsor:

Applicants for the Leadership Otsego program must have the support of their sponsor because of the time commitment involved. The signature of the head of the sponsoring organization indicates this support for the applicant's participation in Leadership Otsego.

Signature of Employer/Sponsor: _____

Date: _____

Application should be sent to:

**Barbara Ann Heegan, President & CEO
Otsego County Chamber of Commerce
Leadership Otsego Program
189 Main Street
Suite 201
Oneonta, NY 13820**

Fax: 607.432.4506

Email: baheegan@otsegocc.com