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Leadership Caldwell is a program of the Chamber and is underwritten by the Chamber, in-kind donations and tuition. Curriculum and other program specifics are overseen by the Leadership Caldwell committee.

The Application

Each year businesses, public and private agencies, civic organizations and clubs are asked to identify candidates for the program. Individuals with no sponsoring groups may be self nominated. A written application and personal interview with the selection committee are required. Candidacy is open to all regardless of age, creed, race or philosophy, who seek to contribute their skills, knowledge and expertise to the betterment of the Caldwell Community.

Participants are selected based on the criteria established by the committee of Leadership Caldwell. The deadline to submit an application for Leadership Caldwell is June 15th. Notification of selection to the class will be made by July 21, 2015.

Tuition

Tuition for Leadership Caldwell is (\$600). Tuition covers all program costs, meals and materials. Tuitions may be paid by the candidates employer, a sponsor or the candidate. Full tuition is due before August 1st. No tuition refunds will be made after the class member has participated in the opening orientation. Do not send tuition with your application. For more information contact the Caldwell Chamber of Commerce



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**A Community Leadership
Program of The Chamber**

**"Never doubt that a small
group of thoughtful, com-
mitted citizens can
change the world. In-
deed, it is the only thing
that ever has."**

- Margaret Mead

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Since 1897, the Chamber has promoted and fostered the development of our community. To that end, “Leadership Caldwell” has been designed to meet our city’s need for the active participation of informed, skilled and involved community leaders.

Leadership Caldwell provides the opportunity for participants to broaden their knowledge of the community while enhancing their leadership skills.

The mission of *Leadership Caldwell* is reflected in its goals:

- To develop awareness of the Caldwell area, its strengths, challenges and opportunities.
- To enhance leadership abilities.
- To create a network of informed, concerned leaders.
- To encourage greater involvement in the community.

Our Mission

Leadership Caldwell educates and prepares community leaders who are committed to shaping Caldwell’s future.



The Program

Leadership Caldwell is a 9 month community leadership development program that begins with a mandatory orientation in August and culminates with a graduation program in May. Eight full day sessions are held on the 4th Thursday of each month, except March, November and December. Topics include

- Agriculture
- Police and Fire
- Commerce
- Media
- Government
- Arts & Education
- Health Care & Community Service
- History, Travel and Tourism

Each month's topic is presented through the use of prominent individuals from the public and private sectors. In depth dialogue of current issues pertinent to the session topic, case studies, site visits, interactive and “hands-on” experience.

Participants also work in teams or as a group on projects of their own design to provide tangible solutions to various contemporary community challenges. The community actually becomes the classroom.

Through contact with a wide range of professionals and the behind the scenes knowledge gained, Leadership Caldwell participants have the opportunity to expand their influence in the community. The success of the program is measured by the positive effect on the participants, their organizations and the community.

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The Graduates

The Leadership Caldwell experience does not end at graduation. Graduates will become a part of a new community resource, a group of individuals with the desire and ability to influence important community activities and create necessary change. Graduates serve as members of future program and selection committees for Leadership Caldwell and continue to interact through continuing education and social functions.