



2021-2022 Leadership Greater Nashua

WHAT IS LEADERSHIP GREATER NASHUA? Leadership Greater Nashua (LGN) was founded in 1995 by a group of local business and community leaders who began asking, "Today, we know each other, and we know who we would need to bring to the table to help our community capitalize on an opportunity or overcome a crisis. Who will take our place in 25 years? Who will head our non-profit and civic organizations? Who will serve on those Boards? Do they know each other? Do they know our community?"

From those questions came a program designed to educate and connect emerging and established leaders through an in-depth look at Greater Nashua's economic, civic, and government sectors, a dialogue around critical issues and opportunities in the region, and exposure to experts and information within those areas. Since 1995, nearly 500 individuals have graduated from LGN with strong relationships poised to help enrich the fabric of our communities, strengthen our resilience, and lead for our future.

WHO SHOULD APPLY? The Chamber seeks emerging and established leaders from diverse sectors of the Greater Nashua community with a strong desire to build connections within the region so they may successfully assume leadership roles within their organization(s) and in their communities.

SELECTION: 20-25 class members from non-profit, education, the arts, business, government, community groups, etc. are selected based upon individual qualifications, balanced with a desire to create a diverse and stimulating class, and with a commitment to the communities of Greater Nashua.

Candidates must be willing to commit time and energy to LGN, including attending and actively participating in the opening retreat, each monthly class, and any required additional preparation time outside of session days. These individuals will hold or aspire to a leadership/management position within their organization and/or within the Greater Nashua community, with demonstrated existing leadership skills.

Applicants not selected in a given year are invited to reapply for a subsequent program year.

TUITION and PROGRAM COMMITMENT: Tuition for LGN is \$1,250 for Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce members and \$1,550 for non-members. It includes all sessions, supportive materials, and meals on session days. Limited tuition assistance is available based on need and qualifications. Tuition is non-refundable. No individual may attend the initial session unless payment has been made in full.

To be eligible for the member tuition rate, applicant's business/employer/community organization must be a member in good standing with the Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce for the duration of the LGN program.

Instructions: Please fill out this application in its entirety. All applications, including letter(s) of recommendation, resumes, answers to essay questions, and any requests for tuition assistance, must be received by 5:00p on Wednesday, June 2, 2021.

Personal Information

Name: _____ Nickname _____

Home Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone (home): _____ (Cell): _____

Personal Email Address: _____

LinkedIn Profile url: _____

Employment / Self-Employment / Sponsoring Civic Organization Information

I am Representing my company Self-Employed Representing a civic organization

Current Employer/Civic Organization: _____

Company/Organization Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone (business): _____ Extension: _____

Work Email Address: _____

Position/Title: _____ # Years in this Position: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Supervisor's E-Mail Address: _____

Supervisor's Phone Number: _____

Preferred Email for LGN Communication:

Personal Work Please use both personal and work

1. Civic Involvement

Please list your current civic involvement in order of importance to you (include civic, religious, political, and other activities):

Organization	Nature of Organization	Position	Date(s)
_____	_____	_____	_____

Please describe briefly your contributions or achievements in any of these organizations.

_____ How did you hear about Leadership Greater Nashua (check all that apply)?

- My supervisor/employer
- An LGN alum
- One Greater Nashua
- Chamber email
- Chamber website
- Chamber social media
- Other (please specify): _____

2. Please submit a type written response to each of the following questions. Each question's response should be no longer than one page, double spaced, 12 pt font.
- A. Why do you want to participate in Leadership Greater Nashua? How will you contribute to the success of your class and the LGN program?
 - B. What are you doing today, personally and/or professionally, to engage with your community?
 - C. In your opinion, what is the most critical issue facing the Greater Nashua region today? Please reference any personal involvement you may have in addressing that issue.
 - D. In your opinion, what is the most promising opportunity available to the Greater Nashua region today? Please reference any personal involvement you may have in furthering that opportunity.
3. Please provide a letter of recommendation from a direct supervisor. You are welcome to provide additional letter(s) of recommendation from colleagues or coworkers, but those are optional.

Tuition and Scholarships

Tuition for LGN is \$1,250 for Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce members and \$1,550 for non-members. Tuition in full is due by **September 1, 2021**. Tuition is non-refundable.

Billing Contact: _____

Company/Organization: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Limited tuition assistance is available. If you require tuition assistance, please complete the LGN Tuition Assistance Request and submit it with this application.

Attendance and Time Commitment

Leadership Greater Nashua's program takes place on ten business days, during business hours, from October 2021 through June 2022; graduation will be held in the evening in June 2022. A mandatory retreat will be held in September. Specific dates can be found on the GNCC website. There is also required reading and other program assignments.

Participants are expected to attend and be fully present and participate in each session, which will most likely be a hybrid of live and virtual (zoom) sessions. Please consider your ability to attend ALL sessions before you apply. If a participant misses more than two sessions, s/he will be dropped from the program.

Applicants should have the support and commitment of their employers and will be required to submit the (below) applicant/employer commitment form.

APPLICANT & EMPLOYER COMMITMENT FORM

Applicant Commitment

Attendance: I understand that attendance at all LGN session days is expected, the retreat is mandatory, and if I miss more than two session days, I will be not be permitted to graduate from the program.

Tuition: I understand that the tuition for LGN is \$1,250 for Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce members and \$1,550 for non-members and it is due by September 1, 2021, and is non-refundable. My employer or sponsoring community organization may pay any or all \$1,250 / \$1,550 of the tuition, but I, as the participant, am encouraged to pay a small portion of the tuition to demonstrate my commitment to the LGN program. (recommended amount \$100) Limited tuition assistance may be available based upon demonstrated need.

I, _____, am making a commitment to fully participate in the 2021-2022 Leadership Greater Nashua program which consists of an opening retreat and nine sessions over the nine-month period. I understand that LGN requires me to attend all nine-sessions, the mandatory opening retreat, and that if I miss more than two sessions, I will be dropped from the program. Tuition is non-refundable and is due no later than September 1, 2021.

Applicant Signature

Date

Sponsoring Employer Commitment

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- I am sponsoring myself / self-employed
- I am being sponsored by my employer / another organization (please have your sponsor sign below)

I have discussed the Leadership Greater Nashua program with the above employee / volunteer and I am in full support of her/his participation in the 2021-22 program. I agree to work in partnership with the employee to arrange schedules in order to accommodate the time needed for the LGN program, leadership activities, and to help reinforce the learning experiences shared during the program. I also understand that the tuition for the program is \$1,250 for Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce members and \$1,550 for non-members and is non-refundable.

Sponsor Signature

Date

Sponsor Printed Name

Sponsor Title

Sponsor Email Address

Please email your completed application including applicant/employer commitment form, along with an updated resume, your letter of recommendation, answers to the essay questions, and, if you wish to be considered for tuition assistance, your completed Tuition Assistance Request, no later than **5:00p on Wednesday, June 2, 2021** to: info@nashuachamber.com