

Leaders for Life

A Professional Development Training Program

The Chamber of Commerce held its first Leadership Training Program in 1985. Since then, over 1100 business professionals have graduated from the program. Leadership 2025 is designed to give local and regional participants an opportunity to develop the leadership skills necessary to achieve success in their career, family & community along with fun volunteer and leadership challenge activities help to immerse you in our communities.

Over the course of three months, participants attend orientation and seven one-day sessions (8:00am-5:00pm) covering topics from Leadership and Team Building to Communications and Community History. Each session is held at a different location in the Grand Cities. The program ends with a 1/2 day wrap up session and graduation ceremony.

Program Information:

Tuition covers the program, all materials, lunch and the graduation ceremony for the participant and a guest. You receive great training and community outings with professional presenters all in one program.

\$849 Chamber Members

\$949 Non-Members

Hurry...Space is limited!

Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. You are required to complete a volunteer commitment of a minimum of 2 hours during the program as well as a Leadership Challenge in the community.



Applications can be obtained by clicking [HERE](#) or by contacting Kimberly Strom at 772-7271 or email kimberlys@gochamber.org.

Topics & Presenters

(subject to change)

LEADERSHIP/TEAM BUILDING

- Leadership Lifeline - Who Am I?
Gwen Klawon - UND Coll. Eng. & Mines
- Personal Awareness & Growth - Clifton Strengths
Noreen Keesey, Certified Trainer

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- Team Building Activities
ND Army National Guard
- Leadership Matters!
Gen Greg Bowen (Ret)

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- Team Leadership
Brad Berry, Former UND Head Hockey Coach

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- Leadership
Mayor Brandon Bochenski

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BUSINESS PRACTICES

- Drugs in the Community
Drug Recognition Expert, GFPD
- DeEscalation Strategies
Grand Forks Police Dept.
- How to Replace Workplace Negativity with Enthusiasm
Dale Carnegie Training

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- Powerful Networking
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- Employee Engagement
John Friend, PS Industries

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- Cultural Awareness
Stacey Barboa-Peterson, UND

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COMMUNITY AWARENESS

- GF/EGF City History and Tour
Blue Weber & Collin Hanson

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- A Day At GFAFB & Grand Sky
GFAFB & Grand Sky Personnel

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- Tours of various host facilities

COMMUNICATIONS

- Managing Conflict in the Workplace
Emily Holth - Sustainable Solutions LLC

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- Generations in the Workplace
Denny Elbert & Chris Zygarlicke

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- Mental Health
Mandy Iverson, Community Mental Health Coordinator

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Coordinator

Benefits to Participants & Employers

- Build on current skills that enhance job performance
- Learn new skills to advance in your workplace
- Gain a greater awareness of our community
- Improve communication skills
- Develop skills to aid growth at work and home
- Meet professionals in the business community
- Create a network of contacts

Training Dates & Locations

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August 27.....Orientation - Lincoln Park

September 10.....Minnkota

September 24.....The Hive/Grand Forks City Hall

October 8.....UND EERC

October 22.....GFAFB and Grand Sky

November 5.....Ag Country

November 19.....Public Safety Center

December 3.....ND Army National Guard

December 10.....Altru Tour

December 10...Wrap Up/Graduation-TBD

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