

Application Form

2008 Neighborhood Leadership Development Program (NLDP)

Mission Statement - The Neighborhood Leadership Development Program (NLDP) seeks to uniquely develop the diverse leadership abilities of engaged Clevelanders who are committed to creating a city and region *which works for everyone*.

If you are currently working on making change in your community, and organizing around possibilities, not just crises, the NLDP may be for you.

The NLDP Selection Committee is looking for sixteen (16) emerging leaders who fit the following profile for participation in the 2008 Neighborhood Development Program Cohort.

Applicants:

- Live in a City of Cleveland neighborhood;
- Be passionately involved in bringing positive and productive change to Cleveland;
- Feel desirous about developing your leadership skills to make a greater impact;
- Be interested in connecting to and working with culturally diverse groups who seek to make positive change in Cleveland by leading more intentionally;
- Have a sincere desire to develop a clear understanding of how to make change at multiple levels in the community;
- Be viewed as an innovative thinker who is self-directed and an advocate for change;
- Be willing to commit and engage in a personal change process; and
- Be committed to engaging others while becoming an active member of a new culture of leadership in Cleveland.

Application Process

1. Review the program description at www.neighborhoodleadershipdevelopment.com or call 216-776-6172 to request a copy to be mailed to you.
2. Review and complete all of the questions on page 2 and 3 of the application form.
3. Type all responses.
4. Secure two personal and/or professional references to be contacted by the Selection Committee if selected as a finalist.

Please return completed application materials via fax no later than 5:00pm on May 9th 2008, or via U.S Mail (post-marked no later than May 9th, 2008) to:

NLDP
1331 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44115
Fax: 216-436-2172

NLDP APPLICATION FORM

Name

Organizations with whom you are active

Address

City / State / Zip

Email

Cell

Phone

Fax

List two references we may contact in the event that you are selected as a finalist for the program. Please include all contact information.

Reference #1

Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Reference #2

Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

To apply for this program, consider and answer each of the following questions or statements in 100 words or less. Attach typed responses to this application form.

1. Please explain why you are applying to the NLDP, describe why you view yourself as an emerging leader, and define your personal and community goals in this context.
2. What is your personal vision of community leadership?
3. Around what community issue would you like to make change occur and why?
4. Please describe your strengths as a leader and what help you believe you need in order to become a better leader in making change happen.
5. What type of leadership would you like to be providing in your community in five years?
6. After reading the program description and activities, please describe what choices or changes in your life you will make in order to benefit from the NLDP curriculum and coaching model.
7. Please write a brief description of your relationship with those individuals who will be providing references for you.
8. How did you hear about the NLDP?

Optional: Please attach a current copy of your resume or biography.

Application Preparation Assistance

If you need any help or further assistance in completing this application, please contact Shandra Koler, Program Manager for the NLDP, at 216-776-6172 or via email at info@neighborhoodleadershipdevelopment.com

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