

MISSION STATEMENT

Leadership Somerset County is a civically minded program designed to promote awareness and generate interest in serving the community as leaders.

The 10-month course runs from September to June with monthly half day sessions.

COST OF PROGRAM: \$825 per person

****Class size is limited, so register early****

Make Checks Payable to:

The Somerset County Foundation

Contact the Chamber office for an application.

TESTIMONIALS

“This was a fantastic experience, a truly unique way to network and learn about our community!”

- Adam Pritts, Laurel Hill Trout Farm

“The Leadership Somerset County program truly opened my eyes to the diversity of businesses, industries, governments, and peoples that make up America’s County”. - Michael Knecht, Laurel Arts

“The Leadership Program exceeded all of my expectations. It was inspiring, interesting, educational, and (Best of All) Fun!”

- Lisa Bittner, Somerset Trust

“Leadership Somerset County was a fantastic experience. It gave me an opportunity to network with a lot of great people in many fields and discover a myriad of resources in the community that I never knew existed.”

- Brooke Cook, Outdoor Odyssey

SPONSORING BUSINESSES

Over 40+ businesses and organizations have supported Leadership Somerset County, since its inception in 2004, by sponsoring members of their staff to attend the class. Listed below are just some of the businesses and organizations who understand the value of producing new leaders for the county. It is because of the vision and fortitude of these and others that Somerset County is and will continue to be a great place to live, work, play, raise a family and do business.

Bedford/Somerset MHMR
Daily American
Hoss’s Steak & Seafood House
J & J Truck Bodies
Mid-Continent Insurance
North American Hoganas
Oakhurst Tea Room
Outdoor Odyssey
PBS Coals, Inc.
Penn State Cooperative Extension
Precision Fitness Center
Professional Appraisal Services
County of Somerset
Somerset County Technology Center
Laurel Arts, Inc.
Somerset Trust Company
St. Paul’s Church
VCS Group Inc.
Windber Medical Center
Windber Research Institute



**Creating the future for
Somerset County**

***Class now forming for
2008-2009***

Begins in September 2008



**SOMERSET COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

OBJECTIVES

Encourage and nurture a new pool of leaders for Somerset County

Provide participants with the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with community leaders.

Increase participants knowledge of leadership elements, including problem solving, consensus building, and decision making.

Inform and expose participants to various facets of community life.

Motivate participants to assume leadership roles in community affairs.

Receive training that will help develop and enhance leadership skills.

Understand the problems and opportunities we face in deciding our future.

LEADERSHIP SESSIONS

Overnight Class Retreat

Teambuilding,
networking and

leadership skills are all a part of this important opening session, facilitated by faculty members from Allegany College of Maryland.

SESSIONS

- * **Community and Economic Development**
- * **Local Government**
- * **Education: Preparing Youth for our Community**
- * **Healthcare/Human Services**
- * **Energy & Natural Resources**
- * **Business Development & Entrepreneurism**
- * **The Judicial System**
- * **Our Heritage-Quality of Life**
- * **Celebrating Success**

SOMERSET COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Somerset County Chamber of Commerce proudly presents its Leadership Somerset County program. The leaders of tomorrow need opportunities to both enhance and encourage their participation in making Somerset County a better place to live. This program is made possible by the cooperation of the Somerset County Economic Development Council (SCEDC) and Partnership for Rural Industrial Development Enterprises (PRIDE).

Leadership Somerset County is designed to bring together a diverse group of individuals who share a common goal of becoming leaders prepared to face future challenges, thereby ensuring that Somerset County is led by able, resourceful, and vigorous individuals, both now and in the future.

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