



The Leadership Academy is designed to give graduates the connections, confidence, skills and knowledge to take on leadership roles in the community. This opportunity gives participants a unique perspective on the current, past, and future issues facing the Desert Foothills Community. The experiences gained at the Academy positions individuals to be fully prepared as they take on roles as trusted advisors within the community.

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## CURRICULUM

We have created an 8 month program that delves into every facet of our community. Topics will include:

- \* Sustainability / Conservation
- \* Local Government / Planning
- \* Education and Personal Development
- \* Water / Solar / Energy
- \* Healthcare / Wellness
- \* Arts and Humanities
- \* Social Services
- \* Public Safety
- \* Technology

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# DESERT FOOTHILLS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY



The Desert Foothills Leadership Academy is driven by a strong community desire to be a part of the creation of our future leaders. Our Mission is to educate, energize, and engage emerging leaders with a goal of enriching community life while responsibly sustaining our natural resources for generations to come. All of this is done through a focus on strengthening participants understanding of the Past, Current, and Future potential of the Sonoran Desert Foothills.





## SPONSOR/STAKE HOLDER BENEFITS

- STRENGTHEN COMPANY TIES WITH LOCAL COMMUNITIES.
- VALUABLE NETWORKING WITH POTENTIAL PARTNERS, FUTURE EMPLOYEES, AND EMERGING LEADERS.
- AS PARTICIPANTS GRADUATE FROM DFL THEY BECOME YOUR BRAND AMBASSADORS.
- YOUR COMPANY WILL BE RECOGNIZED AS A VALUABLE RESOURCE AND THOUGHT-LEADER IN THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DESERT FOOTHILLS REGION.
- THROUGH YOUR STAKEHOLDER POSITION IN THE ACADEMY, YOUR COMPANY WILL BE EXPOSED TO EDUCATION AND INSIGHT THAT WILL HELP YOU MANAGE AND THRIVE INTO THE FUTURE.

## INTERESTED IN BEING A FUTURE PROGRAM GRADUATE

Desert Foothills Leadership Academy is an 8 month unique, both on-site and “classroom”, training program that prepares participants for leadership positions within the Desert Foothills Community. The curriculum includes subject matter expert presentations, on-site tours, panel discussions, hands-on training, and in-depth exposure to current and evolving issues.



## WHAT DESERT FOOTHILLS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CAN DO FOR YOU

- ENHANCE YOUR PERSONAL LEADERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS
- BROADEN YOUR BREADTH AND SCOPE OF KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE DESERT FOOTHILLS REGION.
- CREATE RELATIONSHIPS WITH REGION STAKE HOLDERS.
- DEVELOP VALUABLE PROFESSIONAL NETWORKS.
- GAIN INSIGHT AS TO WHERE YOUR TALENTS AND GOALS WILL BEST SERVE THE REGION.

## ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCESS

- THE ACADEMY ACCEPTS UP TO 20 PARTICIPANTS. THE PARTICIPANT SELECTION PROCESS INCLUDES SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION, RESUME, AND IN-PERSON INTERVIEW.
- PARTICIPANTS MAKE A ONE-YEAR COMMITMENT TO ENSURE COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM.
- LEADERSHIP DAYS ARE THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH STARTING JANUARY, 2021.
- TUITION IS \$500.00. THIS COVERS STUDY MATERIALS, FACILITY PROCUREMENT, MEALS ON DAY OF CLASS, REGISTRATION PROCESSING, GRADUATION EXPENSES, AND ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS AND OVERSIGHT.
- FOR MORE INFO: [HTTP://WWW.DESERTFOOTHILLSLEADERS.ORG](http://www.desertfoothillsleaders.org)