



Leadership Council San Mateo County

We strengthen leaders and foster public-private relationships to spark innovation for a thriving region. Through immersive professional development programs, educational events, and our extensive leadership network, we provide opportunities for leaders at every experience level.

Leadership CORPS Program

Leadership CORPS is a 10-month, immersive, professional development experience for senior-level leaders who live or work in San Mateo County. The program elevates and empowers participants to expand their impact and accelerate change.

We welcome participants from the business, nonprofit, and government sectors. They learn from influential leaders, work with expert leadership coaches, and collaborate with peers to build strong and enduring relationships that deepen their impact on their communities and their organizations.

Participants Gain:

- ★ **Public-Private Relationships**
with a trusted and diverse network of peers and influential leaders from across the County to collaborate with, learn from, and spark new thinking together.
- ★ **Leadership Skills**
focused on practices that strong leaders use to inspire and create change. Workshops are led by expert coaches, enabling senior leaders to take their skills to the next level.
- ★ **Civic Understanding**
of the complex issues facing SMC, the resources available to solve problems, and the intricacies of leadership needed to effect change. Sessions are held at locations across the County.

WE SEEK EXPERIENCED LEADERS who live or work in San Mateo County.

- Do you hold senior-level decision-making responsibility and influence strategy in your organization?
- Are you interested in having a positive impact on your organization and raising the visibility of your work?
- Do you value public-private relationships committed to building trusted partnerships across the business, government, and nonprofit sectors?
- Are you ready to invest in your own growth? To strengthen your self-awareness and ability to lead through others?
- Do you care deeply about San Mateo County and feel motivated to contribute so everyone can thrive?

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LEADERSHIP CORPS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Who Should Apply?



Leadership CORPS Graduates Bring Benefits to Their Organizations

- Trusted public-private relationships that bring new perspectives, collaboration opportunities, and ultimately solutions;
- Informed civic insight that impacts strategic planning, decision-making, and risk management;
- Accelerated solutions to organizational, business, and community challenges;
- A heightened sense of purpose and local connection to their work, which increases both job and life satisfaction;

Program Dates & Commitment (2026 - 2027)

Two-Day Opening Session (Mandatory)

Thursday and Friday,
September 10 and 11 *

Friday, October 16
Friday, November 13
Friday, December 4 *
Friday, January 29
Friday, February 26
Friday, March 26
Friday, April 23
Friday, May 7 *
Thursday, May 27 *

Closing Session and Graduation
June 4 *

* Joint session with Emerging Leaders

The program begins with a mandatory, two-day Opening Session in September and Learning Days through June.

- Learning Days are 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. except December which is 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 pm.
- Learning Days are held at various San Mateo County locations
- Participants may miss only two Learning Days to graduate.
- Previous Learning Day topics include: Healthy Communities, Economic Development, Human Services, Intelligent Urbanism, Education, Climate Resilience, Safe Communities, and Civics & Being a Community Citizen.

Tuition for the Class of 2027 is \$4,100 plus a nonrefundable \$100 application fee, and can be paid by the individual or employer.

Scholarships are available and payment plans can be arranged.

Committed to Representative Leadership

We are committed to supporting efforts across San Mateo County to ensure that all who live or work here see leadership as representative, accessible, and achievable.

Questions?

Email: applications@leadershipcouncilsmc.org

Nominate Someone