

JOIN LSP

As one of the oldest leadership programs in the country, we seek to identify, recruit, and develop leaders who represent the diversity of our local community. LSP challenges its class members to view issues in our community, state, and nation as opportunities. Through class interaction and discussions with community leaders, LSP stimulates creative thinking, and, ultimately, community leaders emerge with new resources and knowledge to face their everyday challenges.

Class members build lasting relationships throughout the program's three elements: leadership training, the community project, and educational seminars. Small team collaboration on each of the program's educational seminars and a class-wide community service project provide opportunities to form meaningful relationships with fellow class members, while simultaneously positively impacting our community.

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For 55 years, LSP graduates have made an **IMPACT**

INTERACTION | Engage in meaningful discussions with the "who's who" of St. Pete (and beyond).

MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES | Get recognized in the community by getting involved.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS | Forge lifelong relationships, personally and professionally, with your classmates, sponsors, speakers, and LSP alumni.

ACTION-PACKED | Participate in an intensive six-month program focused on a deeper understanding of the various aspects of the community that make St. Pete so special and unique!

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT | Interact with community leaders through eight educational seminars and three retreats. Get immediately involved in a service project that leaves a lasting impact on our community.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT | Challenge what you know about yourself, push yourself, and receive professional development and leadership training that enhances personal and professional growth.



LEADERSHIP ST. PETE

A ST. PETERSBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PROGRAM

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

LSP includes three leadership development events: Opening Retreat, Midyear Retreat and Closing Retreat. Class members receive high-quality, assessment-based leadership development designed to help individuals, teams, and organizations achieve their full potential through partnerships with the Eckerd College Leadership Development Institute and more. Participants enjoy high energy, team building activities with immediate personal and professional insights to bring back to their organizations.



COMMUNITY PROJECT

Each class gives back to our community through the Community Project, a civic-engagement service project that is completed during the term of the program. A typical Community Project requires the class to create awareness, fundraise, and work hands-on at the nonprofit's site to rehab a location in need of some tender loving care. It's up to the class to organize roles and figure out how to accomplish this task!

SEMINAR CURRICULUM

LSP's curriculum is updated annually to remain relevant, with survey data collected and compiled throughout the year to continually improve each year's seminars. You can count on a program that covers the most important facets of our great city with seminar programming that is engaging, interactive, and timely. Plus, class members take an active role in facilitating the seminars throughout the program.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE | To identify the major issues which confront each segment of the criminal justice system and to learn about current and/or proposed methods to resolve these issues.

EDUCATION | To learn about, discuss, and debate the opportunities, challenges and potential solutions faced by Pinellas County education, while considering the perspectives of students, families, educators, and local businesses.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY | To explore and learn ways to be more conscious of the environment and the earth while preserving, protecting, and supporting these natural resources (air, energy, land, water, and waste) for future generations.

GROWING ST. PETE | To explore the opportunities and challenges St. Pete faces as a rapidly growing and evolving community.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT | To provide an opportunity to acquire knowledge about the structure, functions, and unity of St. Petersburg and Pinellas County governments and to analyze current issues confronting them.

ST. PETE HISTORY | To explore the City's history to seek an understanding of the past, how to navigate and walk in the present, and how to shape the future.

STATE GOVERNMENT | To provide an opportunity to meet members of our state government delegation to identify and discuss current issues and explore possible resolutions facing our state and its impact on our City.

ST. PETE CULTURE | To provide an overview of the various cultural elements (arts, literature, media, museums, music, sports, and tourism) that make our City a unique and sought after destination to live, work, play and visit.

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