



Civic-minded community leaders are invited to apply to the Oxnard Leadership Program. Since 2016, this interactive, community engagement program has provided an in-depth look at issues impacting the city and region's economic prosperity and quality of life.

This 10-month, 10-session experiential program connects participants with key decision makers and experts on vital issues shaping the future of the City of Oxnard and its surrounding region. Participants are selected for their commitment to bettering their community, passion for self-improvement, and desire to better serve in leadership roles within their organization or the community.

Topics are subject to change and may include health and human services, government, public safety, education, agriculture, energy, trade, defense, and public services.



The Oxnard Leadership Program is an initiative of the Oxnard Foundation For Education And Economic Development (OFEED) a 501(c)(3) organization. Formed in 2014 by the Oxnard Chamber of Commerce (now WVCBA),

OFEED's mission is to support the interaction with and advancement of education and development of our future workforce, and to assure the Oxnard community has an adequate supply of quality jobs.

BENEFITS

- Gain in-depth knowledge of the community and how it functions by interacting with influential community leaders.
- Build a diverse network of colleagues and contacts in the city.
- Position yourself or your business as a community partner that is committed to quality-of-life issues.
- Engage in private seminars and discussions with local executives and leaders.
- Acquire valuable information and access to resources to aid your professional work and civic engagement.

TUITION & COMMITMENT

Program tuition is \$1,075 (plus a \$50 application fee) per participant, which covers 10 sessions, welcome reception, graduation, and lunch.

Participants must have the support and commitment of their employer if not self-employed. Employers are encouraged to sponsor employee participation for professional development. Partial scholarships may be available for self-paying individuals and nonprofits; please inquire when you submit your application.

Sessions are held one Friday of each month, January through October, from approximately 8:00 am to 4:00 pm (hours vary). Dates are provided in advance and participants are expected to attend all 10 sessions.

Participants may not miss more than two sessions (16 hours total) in order to graduate with the cohort. Participants are allowed to make up sessions the following year and graduate then. Refunds will not be given to those who do not complete the program.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The application and a \$50 application fee made payable to the **Oxnard Foundation for Education and Economic Development, Inc.** must be received by **12:00 pm on Friday, October 31, 2024.**

Brief interviews with applicants (via Zoom) will be scheduled for early November.

Applicants will be notified about selection to the program before November 8, 2024.

Applications can be sent to info@wvcba.org or mailed to:

Oxnard Leadership Program
c/o Oxnard Foundation for Education & Economic Development, Inc
1901 Solar Drive, Suite 105
Oxnard, CA 93036

For more information, please call (805) 738-9100 or email info@wvcba.org.

2025 Cohort Application



Confidential When Completed

Applicants must be at least 21 years of age on the date the application is submitted. All applications will be handled in the strictest confidence. Please keep your responses brief and concise.

A Selection Committee will review all applications to determine cohort members.

PERSONAL SECTION

NAME _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE INITIAL

HOME ADDRESS _____
STREET CITY STATE ZIP

CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL _____
*PLEASE NOTE THIS IS OUR PRIMARY FORM OF COMMUNICATION

EMPLOYMENT SECTION

EMPLOYER _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

JOB TITLE _____ HIRE DATE _____

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

EDUCATION

Beginning with the most recent, please list formal and informal education, professional licenses, certifications, continuing education credits, seminars attended, etc.

SCHOOL NAME/LOCATION	DATES
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

ORGANIZATIONS/ACTIVITES/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

List any civic, community, political, professional, religious or other organization in which you are currently or have recently been involved.

ORGANIZATION

MEMBERSHIP DATES

POSITION HELD

Please list any special recognition, awards, or accomplishments:

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Please answer the following **via video or written response**. If you need more room, please attach a separate document.

1. Why do you want to learn more about Oxnard and the challenges faced by the various sectors of the community?

2. In your opinion, what are the most pressing problems facing Oxnard today?

3. What skills/knowledge do you have to gain as a participant in **Oxnard Leadership**?

4. What skills/knowledge do you have to share with other participants in **Oxnard Leadership**?

In addition to this application, a brief interview (via Zoom) will be scheduled so members of the selection committee can meet each applicant. Soon after the application deadline, you will receive an email to schedule your interview.

TUITION

Tuition for each participant in **Oxnard Leadership** is \$1,075 plus a \$50 application fee.

Tuition is due before the start of the first class and can be made via check or credit card. **Payment arrangements can be made.**

Please indicate how your tuition will be paid: Employer Self Other_____ (please specify)

Partial scholarships may be available. Are you interested in receiving one? **Please note, priority is given to nonprofit employees and self-paying individuals.** Yes, please consider me for a scholarship

SCHEDULE

Oxnard Leadership requires full participation on the following dates in 2025. Sessions are one Friday per month from approximately 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

January 15 – Welcome Reception 5:30-7:00 pm	June 27
January 24	July 25
February 21	August 22
March 21	September 19
April 25	October 24
May 30	TBD – Graduation 5:30-7:00 pm

Please Initial:

COMMITMENT

_____ I understand that I must be on time and fully participate in the curriculum. I understand that participants may not miss more than two sessions (16 hours total) in order to graduate.

PRIVACY NOTICE

_____ A list of class participants (which includes your employer, email address, and one answer from general questions) will be provided to cohort members and session speakers.

_____ Oxnard Leadership will, to the extent feasible, maintain confidentiality of your personal information. Your business information will be shared on our website and social media posts regarding the program. Additionally, your progress in the program may be made available upon request to your paying sponsor or employer.

PERMISSION TO USE YOUR IMAGE

_____ I understand that my voice and/or image, whether video, photography, audio recording, digital or other format, may be in the advertising, promotion or discussion of the Oxnard Leadership program. ***required**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I understand the purpose of the **Oxnard Leadership** program and that completion of this application does not ensure a candidate's acceptance in the class.

Signature of Applicant

Participation in the **Oxnard Leadership** program must have the support and commitment of your employer if you are not self-employed. **Your signature below confirms that you have discussed this application with your employer/supervisor, that they are aware of the attendance requirements, financial, and time commitments, and that they offer their support.**

Signature of Applicant

SUBMISSION PROCESS

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Oxnard Leadership Program
C/O Oxnard Foundation for Education & Economic
Development, Inc
1901 Solar Drive, Suite 105
Oxnard, CA 93036

Application Fee: \$ 50.00

Payment method: Check: _____ Credit Card: _____

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____

Expiration: _____ Security Code: _____

Authorization Signature: _____