



## Leadership Academy 2024-2025 Program

The Montezuma Leadership Network (MLN) is dedicated to providing leadership pathways and opportunities for our community’s business, nonprofit, and governing leadership. As such, MLN is offering an exclusive Leadership Academy featuring world-class education from an array of local experts.

The program begins September 5th at 9:30 a.m. with a 30 minute overview of norms and expectations and then the first of 5 comprehensive days. The Leadership Academy is a 5-month long commitment on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, September through January. Each following session will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a focus on different leadership skills, including the following with discounted rates for those who sign up for all courses at one time versus paying for individual courses as shown on the right:

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|---|-------|----|---|-------|
| Strength-Based Leadership                             | \$100 |    | Strength-Based Leadership                   | \$295 |
| Conflict Resolution                                   | \$100 |    | Conflict Resolution                         | \$295 |
| The Psychology of Effective Communication             | \$100 |    | The Psychology of Effective Communication   | \$295 |
| Supervision   | \$100 |    | Supervision                                 | \$295 |
| Effective Facilitation                                | \$100 | Or | Effective Facilitation                      | \$295 |
| <b>Totaling \$500*</b>                                |       |    | <b>Totaling \$885*</b>                      |       |
| * (Discount pricing when registering for all courses) |       |    | * (When registering for individual courses) |       |

Lunch is provided at each session. A CliftonStrengths34 assessment (a \$59.99 value) and free one hour coaching sessions each month related to that month’s session topic (an over \$250 value) is included for those registering for all courses.

We encourage participants to get tuition support from their businesses or organizations; however, each participant is personally responsible for a minimum payment of \$50 of the total tuition cost.

A critical factor in participant selection is identifying those individuals who are active in the community and are most apt to use their leadership knowledge and skills to benefit the community long term.

### BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

- Enhances creative problem-solving and team-building skills.
- Establishes a professional network that is utilized well beyond the program duration.
- Board and leadership training and development.

**Name of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business/Organization (If Applicable)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Best phone number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Briefly describe your work responsibilities:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**List other community, civic, professional, business, religious, social, athletic or other organizations that you are involved with or are interested in pursuing:**

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**Please list the issues that you feel are the most important to the future of Montezuma County today. Explain why and make recommendations for addressing and resolving these issues.**

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**Are there particular topics that you would like to see addressed in Leadership Academy**

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**Why do you want to participate in Leadership Academy and what do you hope to gain from your participation?**

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Leadership Academy requires a substantial commitment of time and attendance is critical for successful completion of the program. Participants are expected to attend all sessions in their entirety to fully appreciate the insight and scope of each topic.

SELECTION PROCESS and IMPORTANT DATES

**July 26, 2024 Application Deadline. Applications can be emailed to [info@montezumaleadershipnetwork.org](mailto:info@montezumaleadershipnetwork.org), dropped off with Vanessa at Onward! 33 N Chestnut, Cortez or completed as a Google Form at <https://forms.gle/Ye6Buvsn17u5fd8ZA>.**

July 5 – August 16: Interviews scheduled. Montezuma Leadership Network Education Pillar will review applicants and schedule interviews by August

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month September through January: Monthly Sessions

- I understand the requirements of the program and am aware that completion of this application does not ensure my acceptance in the Leadership Academy Program.
- I have read the guidelines and agree to abide by the tuition and participation requirements.
- My employer has been notified of my intent to participate in the program, endorses my involvement and agrees to allow me time off work to attend all sessions.
- If I am accepted into the program, Montezuma Leadership Network has my permission to use my photograph to promote the program. I understand that the images may be used in print and/or on websites and social media.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*If you require a scholarship to assist with your participation, please indicate that in your email with your application. Requests for scholarship will not affect interview selection.\***

**Want to learn more about the program? Please reach out to one of our Education Pillar members and they would be happy to answer your questions!**

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General questions? Contact us! [info@montezumaleadershipnetwork.org](mailto:info@montezumaleadershipnetwork.org)