# **GULF COAST LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

An initiative of Gulf Coast Community Foundation

# **Overview**

*Gulf Coast Leadership Institute* is designed to identify and develop aspiring, emerging, and experienced leaders who reflect the diversity of our region. For the 2019 class, up to 26 people will be selected to participate in leadership development sessions over a two-month period. Class members will take part in experiential small and large group activities that prepare them to become knowledgeable, skilled, and action-oriented leaders in their communities. Gulf Coast has commissioned the Leadership Development Institute at Eckerd College to provide this comprehensive training at no cost to participants.

Gulf Coast Leadership Institute participants receive:

- a full leadership development program led by faculty of the internationally acclaimed Leadership Development Institute at Eckerd College;
- various assessments which help you understand your personal leadership style and that of other leaders;
- the chance to become part of a close-knit and diverse group of emerging leaders;
- the leadership skills and resources necessary to positively impact the community.

## 2019 Class Schedule

*Gulf Coast Leadership Institute* will meet as follows:

Friday, April 26	Opening Retreat
Noon – 8:00 p.m.	Understanding Leadership;
	Myers-Briggs
Saturday, April 27	,
8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Communicating Effectively
Friday, May 10	
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Empowering Leaders to Make Decisions
Friday, May 24	
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Valuing Community Diversity
Friday, June 7	
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Mastering Conflict Dynamics
Friday, June 21	
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Building Community Through Collaboration
Friday, June 28	
8:30 a.m. – noon	Leading Community Change
Noon – 2:00 p.m.	Graduation

*Opening Retreat will take place at Elling O. Eide Center located at 8000 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota 34231.* 

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Sessions will take place at Venetian River Club located at 502 Veneto Boulevard, North Venice 34275, except final session and graduation, which will be held at Gulf Coast's office in Venice.

### **Selection Process**

*Gulf Coast Leadership Institute* class participants will be selected with the intent of creating a diverse group of individuals from the public, private, and independent sectors that represent the region. Participants will be selected based on their leadership potential, desire to become a leader, and involvement in community or professional organizations. Participants should possess a personal commitment to use their leadership skills through community service for the long-term benefit of the community.

### Selected individuals will be required to participate fully in all training sessions.

### **Application Timeline**

Applications are currently accessible through Gulf Coast's website at GulfCoastCF.org.

Friday, March 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. EST Friday, April 5, 2019 Application deadline Applicant notification

If you have any additional questions about *Gulf Coast Leadership Institute*, please contact us at gcli@gulfcoastcf.org or 941.486.4600.