



The Leadership Development Workshop (LDW) is a four-month program that empowers participants to discover their leadership strengths, build meaningful relationships, and develop practical leadership skills through interactive learning, community engagement, and real-world application. Participants leave better prepared to lead with purpose and contribute to the continued success of Gratiot County.

Please see reverse for additional information.

Session Dates:

Each session runs from 8:00AM - 5:00PM and includes lunch.

Tuesday, January 12, 2017 | Connect & Discover

Tuesday, February 9, 2027 | Collaborative Communication

Tuesday, March 9, 2027 | Leadership in Action

Tuesday, April 13, 2027 | Community Impact Pitch & Graduation

Total cost for all four sessions is \$350.

Limited scholarships are available (see application for more details).

Cost includes CliftonStrengths Assessment and Top 5 Report.

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ABOUT LDW

LDW equips emerging and established professionals with the skills, self-awareness, and community connections needed to lead with confidence and purpose. Through four interactive, full-day sessions, participants will strengthen their leadership abilities while gaining a deeper understanding of Gratiot County and the opportunities to make a meaningful impact.

The workshop combines hands-on learning, facilitated discussions, leadership assessments, and real-world application. Participants will explore their individual CliftonStrengths®, develop effective communication and collaboration skills, build trust, navigate conflict, and learn practical strategies for influencing others, making decisions, and leading through change.

Throughout the program, participants will connect with fellow leaders, engage with community stakeholders, and work collaboratively on a community impact initiative that addresses a local opportunity or challenge. The experience culminates in participant presentations, a leadership panel, and a community engagement open house celebrating the next generation of leaders.

Whether leading a team, volunteering in the community, or preparing for future leadership opportunities, graduates of the Leadership Development Workshop will leave with stronger relationships, increased confidence, and practical tools to create positive change in their organizations and throughout Gratiot County.



HOW TO APPLY

Applications are available online (<https://shorturl.at/mvOJw>). Deadline to apply is 5 PM on Friday, November 20, 2026. Due to limited class size, acceptance into the Leadership Development Workshop is considered competitive. Applications will be reviewed and approved by a selection committee, with notification of status no later than December 15, 2026.

QUESTIONS?

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