

Leadership Maine 2019-2020 Financial Assistance Information & Worksheet

Tuition

Tuition for the 2019-2020 Leadership Maine class is **\$5,000 for MDF members and \$5,500 for non-members**. Tuition includes the cost of the program, materials, meals, facilities, and five nights of lodging.* Travel expenses to and from each session and all other lodging costs are not covered by tuition. Tuition is payable in full by **Friday, July 12, 2019**, unless other arrangements have been made. Applicants whose organizations are not members of MDF are strongly encouraged to join. Becoming an MDF Member saves your organization money on tuition and provides additional benefits. [Learn more.](#)

*Lodging included: two overnights for the opening retreat, two overnights for the bus tour, and one overnight at the closing retreat. Any other lodging is the responsibility of the participant.

Financial Aid Philosophy

Leadership Maine has a limited amount of financial aid available each year to assist participants who cannot personally afford the tuition and have exhausted all other funding sources. Financial assistance will be based upon need and will be extended to those who are unable to meet the tuition requirements once selection of the class has been made. All those capable of funding themselves are strongly encouraged to do so. Funding sources also may include a sponsoring organization or individual, an employer, or another affiliated organization (e.g. a trade organization). Payment plans are also available.

Financial assistance from *Leadership Maine* should be seen as the last dollars that a candidate seeks. As an example, a participant whose organization is a member of MDF, might pay \$750 of the \$5,000 tuition from personal resources, get his/her employer to contribute \$2,500, a sponsoring organization (e.g. Rotary Club, local chamber, municipal association) to pay \$500, and then request the last \$500 from *Leadership Maine*.

Minimum Payment

No full scholarships will be awarded. There is a minimum personal payment requirement of \$300 for all *Leadership Maine* participants. This payment is to assure that even if your employer is willing to pay the full tuition, you still have a personal stake in the program. Regardless of the amount of financial support, your employer must support your full participation in the program (allowing adequate time away from other duties).

Requests are Separate and Confidential

All participants will be selected without regard to their financial aid request. Funding Plan Worksheets will be kept in a separate, confidential file until the final selections have been made. If you are chosen to be a class member, we will then consider your request for financial aid in conjunction with other requests. When you are notified of your acceptance, you will also be informed of your scholarship award.

Leadership Maine Funding Plan Worksheet

Note: This information will not be shared with the review committee and is completely confidential.
The purpose of this worksheet is to determine the amount of money you need to request for scholarship assistance.
This worksheet is not an invoice and no money is required at this time.

Funding Plan must be returned by **Friday, April 12, 2019**, to the Maine Development Foundation,
2 Beech Street, Suite 203, Hallowell, ME 04347, fax (207) 622-6346, or emailed to jkearce@mdf.org

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

PROGRAM COSTS

Tuition

- We are a member of MDF (tuition is \$5,000) \$ _____
- We are not a member of MDF (tuition is \$5,500) \$ _____
- We want to become a member of MDF (\$5,000 + _____ member level*) \$ _____

*See below for MDF's membership structure, for more details visit
<http://mdf.org/membership.php>

TOTAL COST \$ _____

Membership Structure

# of Employees	Non-Profit Rate	Business Rate
1 – 25	\$150	\$250
26 – 50	\$200	\$350
51 – 75	\$250	\$500
76 – 100	\$300	\$750
101 – 125	\$350	\$1,000
126 – 150	\$425	\$1,250
151 – 200	\$500	\$1,500
201 – 300	\$750	\$2,000
301 – 400	\$1,000	\$2,500
401 and above	\$1,500	\$3,000
Libraries/Retirees	\$50	
Champion Circle	\$5,000	\$10,000

REVENUE SOURCES

- 1) Amount from personal funds (\$300 minimum) \$ _____
- 2) Amount of tuition employer will pay \$ _____
- 3) Amount available from civic organizations (i.e. Kiwanis, Women's Club, Rotary Club) \$ _____
- 4) Amount available from professional organizations (trade associations, etc.) \$ _____
- 5) Amount available from other sources \$ _____

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE \$ _____

After exhausting all other resources, I would like to ask for tuition assistance totaling \$ _____.