

Are You A Leader?

Leadership Sullivan is seeking individuals for its 2026-2027 program beginning in September.

We Are Seeking Leaders

- Committed, motivated and interested in serving Sullivan County in volunteer, appointed or elected leadership roles.
- Who have evidence of career or community involvement.
- Who reside or work in Sullivan County.
- Who represent a cross section of business, professions, organizations, government, education, and geographic areas throughout Sullivan County.

You Will

- Establish relationships with key leaders from all sectors.
- Learn about the issues that concern our county and what's being done.
- Gain knowledge of the region and the opportunities and challenges they face.
- Increase your leadership, organizational and problem solving skills.
- Create long-term relationships with other outstanding individuals in the county.



Leadership Sullivan Participation Requirements

Everyone is Welcome

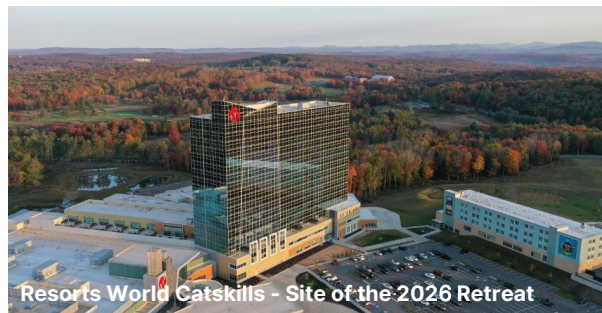
Applications are encouraged from all segments of the community.

Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated leadership ability.
- Willingness to collaborate towards a common goal.

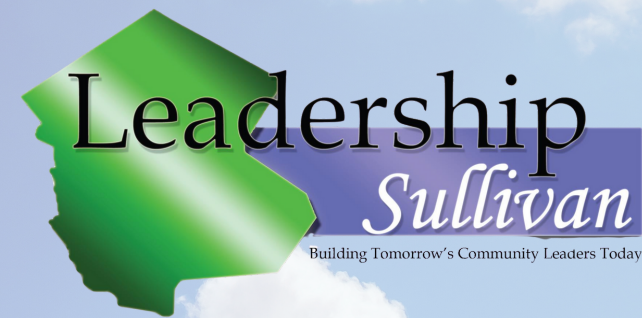
Applications will be reviewed by the selection committee and applicants will be notified by September 1st. The opening retreat session is scheduled for September and is an overnight stay. Each class is limited in size and only a portion of the applicants will be admitted each year. Those candidates who are not accepted are encouraged to reapply in subsequent years.

Tuition of \$1025. covers fees, course materials, socials and the orientation retreat. Tuition may be payable through our website at catskills.com and can be made by the individual, the employer, or the sponsoring organization. Financial assistance is available for individuals on a limited basis.



Application of Enrollment

Application to enroll:
Scan QR Code or email
Foundation@catskills.com



"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

— Margaret Mead



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The Mission of Leadership Sullivan

To develop informed and committed leaders from all segments of the community who will apply their collective experience and skills to serve, strengthen and improve the quality of life for all Sullivan County residents.

Our Purpose

The Leadership Sullivan program is designed to recruit and develop responsive leadership in order to meet the challenges facing Sullivan County today, as well as in the future. Our success in meeting the challenges before us depends upon the active involvement of informed, dedicated citizens who have the ability and the desire to assume positions of leadership. The Leadership Sullivan program identifies current and future community leaders and provides them with the background.

Our Goals

- Improve communication among leaders.
- Provide a channel for participants to gain access to leadership opportunities and become involved in the development of solutions for community problems.
- Foster a commitment to a life of community service.
- Identify, motivate and develop community leaders.
- Expand the leadership potential of participants through: educational programs designed to broaden individuals' knowledge of Sullivan County and the issues affecting its citizens; exposure to existing leadership and civic organizations; in-depth discussions of relevant issues with experts.



The Program

An overnight retreat opens the series in September.

From late September through June, participants attend one full-day seminar each month (totaling 8-10 hours per month) held at various locations throughout Sullivan County. In addition, participants take part in two half-day work sessions dedicated to the class project.

Seminars focus on specific high priority topics pertinent to Sullivan County.

Participants must attend a Government Meeting (Town, Village or County), a Planning or Zoning Board Meeting of their choice, and a School Board Meeting of their choice, as well as time decided upon by the class to complete a Class Project. These times are scheduled throughout the year based on the specific need to complete the outside of class requirements.

Monthly class dates will be established during the required orientation in September.

Topics

- **Agri-business**
- **Crime / Judicial System**
- **Culture, Arts, Recreation, and Tourism**
- **Economic and Workforce Development**
- **Education**
- **Environment and Waste Management**
- **Government and Politics**
- **Health and Human Services**
- **Media / Communications**
- **Team Building and Leadership Skills**

Benefits of Leadership Sullivan

For the Employer

The Leadership Sullivan program is designed to retain and develop responsive leadership in order to meet the challenges facing Sullivan County. Leadership Sullivan is founded on the belief that strong communities need strong leaders. The program connects emerging and established leaders across Sullivan County to expand their knowledge, build meaningful networks, and gain tools to make an impact. Through collaboration and hands-on experiences, participants are equipped to lead with purpose and take advantage of new opportunities in their community.

For the Individual

- Increased leadership skills.
- Greater knowledge of the region and its leaders.
- An informed network of diverse colleagues for individual, business and community problem solving.
- An opportunity to position themselves as a committed community leader and help form a solid foundation for the future of Sullivan County.

For the Community

- Committed community leaders willing to serve as board members and volunteers for various community groups.
- Board referrals within the graduate population.
- A talented group that can be called upon for problem solving.
- A group that can be tapped for governmental task forces and commissions.

