

2019 EMERGING LEADER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Commerce Lexington Inc. Announces Emerging Leader Scholarship Program for 2019 Raleigh Leadership Visit

Each year a group of 200 or so of Lexington's leaders venture to a great American city to see what has been done to raise the bar for success in these towns. The trips are attended by many who have a great say in their companies and community, and the Emerging Leader Scholarship is a way to connect up-and-comers with those firmly established.

The Emerging Leader Scholarship was created to provide an opportunity for some of Lexington's younger leaders and first-time trip attendees that may not otherwise have the resources to attend the annual Leadership Visit. Commerce Lexington Inc. wants to cultivate the energy and commitment these young leaders possess to drive initiatives learned about, discovered and discussed in these cities once the Leadership Visit has ended and we are all back home in Lexington.

Young professionals between the ages of 25 and 39 are encouraged to apply for a scholarship assisting with the cost of the Leadership Visit. Join the visit to Raleigh, and then work side-by-side with others on the trip to make Lexington the type of city we all dream of it being.

Applications must be completed and submitted by **Tuesday, February 12, at 5 p.m.** Applications, general registration, and trip information can be found at <https://www.commercelexington.com/raleigh-2019.html>

Become one of Lexington's next great leaders while working with those of today.

*****Please note that previous Emerging Leader or 30/30 scholarship recipients are NOT eligible to apply or receive a scholarship in subsequent years. If you have attended a Leadership Visit in the past, you are also not eligible. *****

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Position: _____

Is your organization a member of Commerce Lexington? YES / NO

Age: _____

Years in Lexington/Bluegrass Region: _____

I. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY & RESPONSIBILITY

Employer Title/Responsibility Dates (From/To)

II. BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

Please submit a brief self-introduction that may include career highlights, achievements and education. (250-word limit)

III. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please list the community and professional organizations of which you are, or have been, a member. Include any leadership paths you have pursued as a member of an organization. (150-word limit)

IV. VISION

A. As a young professional, what pressing issues are facing the Bluegrass Region today? Explain why and offer specific recommendations for approaching and resolving these issues. (250-word limit)

B. How would you take the lessons learned in Raleigh and see they are implemented in Lexington? What would your action plan be? (200-word limit)

V. REASON FOR APPLICATION

Please list below the motivation for your Emerging Leader Application. (200-word limit)

Scholarship Guidelines and Leadership Visit Information

An independent Emerging Leader Scholarship selection committee will award scholarships. Consideration will be given to leadership, community involvement, vision and need. Applicants who are associated with Commerce Lexington member organizations will be given preference. Based on the purpose of the Emerging Leaders program, recipients will be in the 25-39 age range. Scholarship applicants will be notified in March 2019. Scholarship recipients will be asked to participate in Emerging Leader activities as part of the Leadership Visit. Recipients will also be asked to provide a report on their trip experience.

Submit completed application to:

Amy Carrington Stout at astout@commercelexington.com.

Deadline to submit application is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2019.

POINTS TO BE AWARDED

Leadership: MAX: 20 points

Community Involvement: MAX: 15 points

Vision: MAX: 15 points

Need: MAX: 10 points

Total Points that can be awarded to each applicant: 60