



**Application**

**for Leadership Avery**

**I. Basic Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived in Avery County? \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Education:**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular leadership positions held, honors or awards while in school:

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**III. Employment:**

Present Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Direct Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years in Present Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Job Responsibilities: \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you consider your highest career achievement so far?

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**IV. Community Involvement:**

Please explain in detail three civic, business, religious, political or social activities that you have participated in within the past three years in Avery County. Please indicate the name of the organization, your assignment or position, and describe your responsibilities.

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How much time do you commit each month to community, civic, professional and/or other organizations and activities?

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What do you consider to have been a highlight or accomplishment associated with any of the groups/activities mentioned above?

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**V. Program Participation:**

If you are selected to participate in the 2024 Leadership Avery Class Program, what are your goals for involvement in the community?

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What do you expect to gain from your participation in Leadership Avery?

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What do you feel are the **three** most important issues facing Avery County today?

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What is your role (both present and future) in addressing these issues? Please be specific:

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**VI. Program Requirements:**

The Leadership Avery Program consists of approximately eight informative and interactive sessions designed to educate participants about Avery County . The program is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday each month in different locations throughout the county. Participants **may only miss one of the scheduled sessions** in order to successfully complete the Leadership Avery Program. The 2024 Leadership Avery program will begin on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> and continue until Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**If selected**, your tuition (nonrefundable) for the Leadership Avery Program will be \$500 (to the Avery County Chamber of Commerce) **payable in advance of the kickoff session**. This cost covers event transportation, lunch and opening/closing functions. Half of the tuition is paid by the participant and half is paid by the Sponsor.

**VII. Commitment:**

I have reviewed the Leadership Avery Program requirements and I understand that, if selected to participate in the program, I will commit to attending all planned activities and programs. I understand that I can only miss one of the sessions to successfully complete the program and that no portion of the tuition will be refunded if I cancel or am not able to complete the program.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant:\_\_\_\_\_

**VIII. Sponsorship:**

As this applicant's employer and sponsor, I have reviewed the participation requirements of the Leadership Avery Program. I understand the time commitment required of this program and I will support and facilitate the applicant's participation in the program should he/she be selected to participate.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Employer:\_\_\_\_\_ Name/Title:\_\_\_\_\_

**IX. Deadline For Applications:**

Please return completed application to Robin Morgan, Executive Director of the Avery Chamber of Commerce, 4501 Tynecastle Highway #14, Banner Elk, NC 28604.

(Phone: 828-898-5605, [director@averycounty.com](mailto:director@averycounty.com))

**Application deadline is February 9, 2024.**