



Vision XXI Harker Heights Leadership Program 2023

Vision XXI Harker Heights is a program of the Talent Development Sector of the Harker Heights Chamber of Commerce (HHCOC). This program is designed to enhance community leadership through shared knowledge and skill building. Our goal is to partner local leaders and key organizations to produce a shared vision of growing the future of the community. Leadership roles are enhanced when given the opportunity to see how participation as individuals really makes a difference.

MISSION & GOALS:

Vision XXI Harker Heights is designed to enhance community leadership through shared knowledge and skill building. By creating a partnership of local people and organizations to produce a shared vision of the future and making it happen.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Local business top executives and supervisors
- Harker Heights High School sophomore and juniors
- Graduate and undergraduate students
- Military Leaders
- Individuals inspiring to be in a leadership role

Classes will begin Thursday April 6th, 2023, and we will be meeting the FIRST Thursday of each month from April through October with the Vision XXI Graduation scheduled for November 2nd, 2023.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

- 1) The applicant should have a strong commitment to serve the Harker Heights area beyond the Vision XXI Harker Heights training period.
- 2) The applicant must demonstrate leadership skills, strong interpersonal skills, and a tendency to be proactive on issues of concern to the community.
- 3) The applicant must have the ability to make a substantial contribution to the issues and projects of the program and to network with peers.
- 4) A financial and time commitment must be made by the applicant's employer or sponsoring organization for applicant to participate in Vision XXI Harker Heights.

***All applicants must be nominated by: Vision XXI Alumni, Employer, City Leader, Elected Official, Educator, or Military Chain of Command.**

VISION XXI CLASS PROJECT

Criteria for class project:

- The Project must be in Harker Heights
- Must be sustainable
- The class must use local vendors and materials
(HH Chamber Partners, Central TX, or State)
- The project will need a deadline of completion
- Project idea must be positive influence for the community

**** The Vision class project is an extra activity outside of the course****

**The Steering Committee will suggest two project options for the class or the class can come up with a project that meets the criteria.*

VISION XXI YOUTH CLUB

The Harker Heights Chamber has teamed with Harker Heights High School to involve local youth with the Vision XXI Harker Heights Leadership program. The program is open to sophomores and juniors. We have mentor scholarships, that are valued at \$100 each. The Harker Heights High School maintains the application process and selects the students.

PROGRAM AGENDA:

Orientation

Introductions, networking, team building, and discuss class project.

Education

Learn about the many educational facilities in Harker Heights Area.

Legislative Day in Austin

Tour the State Capital meet and hear from State Representatives, Commissioners and more.

Fort Hood

Tour Ft. Hood and receive military briefing, experience the daily work of our soldiers.

Business and Economic Development / Quality of Life & Work / Issues/Leadership Day

Learn about future economic growth in Harker Heights. Hear from business leaders about some of their contributions to the area. Provide information on non-profit volunteer Centers

Health Care & Quality of Life

Informative health care Information

Local Government

Tour City Hall and spend the day with local government entities.

Graduation

Graduation is held at a local location; a breakfast will be provided.

Graduates will be introduced to the HHCOC committees and functions of the chamber.

Participation with the HHCOC beyond the class period is highly encouraged.

ENROLLMENT PROCESS & TUITION:

All candidates must complete the enclosed application and return it to the Harker Heights Chamber of Commerce no later than, March 23rd, 2023. Chamber member tuition fee is \$450.00 for each participant selected. The fee includes all course materials and CEU credits through Central Texas College.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Please indicate below how payment will be made. Cash, check, charge or chamber account. Request to charge to a HHCOC account must include signature of authorized account member.

Payment Method: _____

It is my understanding that Vision Harker Heights is to be a learning experience and requires attendance at its **eight (8) monthly meetings**, which are one full or half day sessions over an eight-month period, beginning in April and concluding in November.

The Vision Harker Heights Curriculum Committee has determined that no more than **TWO (2)** absences are allowable to complete and graduate the leadership program. All absences will be reviewed by the Chamber’s Director of Programs and recommended to the committee for consideration should the maximum number of absences are exceeded.

For more information about absences contact the chamber at 254-699-4999.

Vision XXI NOMINATION FORM

**Please Note: A resume and short essay is required for the selection process.
Candidates will be judged based on the short essay explaining why they want to
participate in Vision XXI Leadership program, their resumes and nomination form.**

I. Nominated by:

Last

First

Title

II. Personal Data

Name:

Last

First

Middle

Preferred Name: (for name tags) _____ [] Female [] Male

Date of Birth: (day & month) _____

Shirt Size: Male - S M L XL _____ Female - S M L XL _____

Home Address: _____

Street

City

Zip

Home Phone: _____

Years in Harker Heights Area: _____

II. Employment

Present Employer: _____

Date of Hire: _____

Employer Address:

Street

City

State

Zip

Work Phone Number: _____ Work Fax Number: _____

E-Mail _____

Title or Responsibility: _____

Since: _____

III. Activity Data

COMMUNITY & CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS:

List key community, civic, and professional, business/social organizations of which you have been, or are currently a member. Volunteer role(s) at this time:

What do you hope to gain by participating in Vision XXI?

Short Essay:

Why are you taking the Vision XXI Leadership Course? (Complete here or attach)

I would like to sponsor a Mentor Scholarship for a HHHS student for \$100 _____

I. Sponsor/Employer Recommendation (If applicable)

The candidate has my full support to participate in Vision XXI. I am aware and supportive of the time commitment involved in his/her effective participation, as well as the financial obligation. (The firm's chief executive officer, if other than the applicant must sign this.)

Name

Organization Date

Signature

VII. Personal Commitment

To graduate from Vision XXI, participants must attend Introductory Day, Vision XXI Graduation, and may miss no more than two sessions. As part of class participation, you will be responsible for supporting the activities of your class and/or your team. I understand the goals and commitments of Vision XXI. If selected, I will devote the required time and have my tuition of \$450 (Chamber Member) paid or sponsored by March 30th, 2022.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SEND COMPLETED NOMINATION FORMS TO:
Must include resume

Vision XXI, 552 E FM 2410 Ste. B, Harker Heights, TX 76548
or email harkerheightschamber@hhchamber.com

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