

# CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY SPRING 2015 APPLICATION

A free 10 week course - Wednesdays from 6 to 8:30pm - starting March 25th.

A CITY OF PITTSBURGH program  
in collaboration with:  
the Office of Community Affairs  
Welcoming Pittsburgh  
ServePGH

To view the complete list of participating departments, follow this link:  
<http://pittsburghpa.gov/servepgh/cla/schedule>

\*\*Please select continue\*\*

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## Personal Information

1. **First Name:** \*

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2. **Last Name:** \*

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3. **Mailing Address:** \*

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4. **Zip:** \*

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5. **City:** \*

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6. **Neighborhood:** \*

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7. **If you are a business owner located in the city, please provide the name and address of your business below:**

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8. **Email Address:** \*

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9. **Home Phone:** \*

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10. **Cell Phone:** \*

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11. **Preferred Method of Contact:**

*Mark only one oval.*

Email

Home Phone

Cell Phone

12. **Date of Birth**

(You must be 18 years of age or older to participate in the Civic Leadership Academy)

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*Example: December 15, 2012*

13. **Occupation:** \*

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14. **Are you a homeowner?** \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Yes

No, I am a renter

other

15. **Languages Spoken:**

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16. **Ethnicity**

(optional)

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17. **Is this your first time applying to the Civic Leadership Academy (CLA)? \***

(Please select from the following list)

*Mark only one oval.*

- This is my first time applying to the CLA
- This is my second time applying to the CLA
- I have applied more than two times

18. **Volunteerism, Community or Board Service:**

Please list any volunteer groups, community organizations, or boards of which you are a member.

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## Application Questions

19. **Why would you like to participate in the Civic Leadership Academy? \***

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**20. Please list three questions you would like to have answered through participation in the Civic Leadership Academy.**

Please number 1. - 3. (ex: 1. How many potholes does the city fill each year?)

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**21. Are you a New American living in Pittsburgh for less than 10 years? If yes, tell us about your immigrant experience in Pittsburgh. \***

(For more information on this Welcoming Pittsburgh Initiative:  
<http://pittsburghpa.gov/mayor/release?id=3112>)

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**22. Please describe any work that you have done individually or with a volunteer group or organization to improve your community. \***

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**23. Please share an interaction you have had with the city. Was it positive or negative? If it was due to an issue, was the issue resolved? \***

(negative comments will not in any way adversely affect acceptance)

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24. **How will you take the information that you learn from the Civic Leadership Academy back to your community and use it to make a positive difference? \***

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25. **What do you see as the main challenges facing your community? Please tell us your ideas for addressing those challenges. \***

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26. **How did you find out about the Civic Leadership Academy? \***  
(Nextdoor, Community Group Email, word of mouth, etc.)

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27. **How often do you consume local news media? \***  
(TV station, radio, newspaper, online newspaper or blog, etc)  
*Mark only one oval.*

- Daily
- weekly
- bi-weekly
- monthly
- a few times a year
- never     *Skip to question 35.*

28. From which sources do you receive your local news? \*

Please select all that apply. (Outlets listed by category and alphabetical order)  
Check all that apply.

- City Paper (online or paper version)
- La Hornada Latina (online or paper version)
- New Pittsburgh Courier (online or paper version)
- Northside Chronicle (online or paper version)
- Pittsburgh Business Times (online or paper version)
- Post Gazette (online or paper version)
- South Pittsburgh Reporter (online or paper version)
- Tribune Review (online or paper version)
- Local community magazine/newsletter
- KDKA (TV or online)
- WPXI (TV or online)
- WTAE (TV or online)
- NEXTPittsburgh (online)
- Pop City Media (online)
- Urban Media Today (online)
- 90.5 WESA - NPR radio
- KDKA radio
- KQV radio
- I don't use local media for my news
- Other: .....

References

Please list up to three references. (optional section)

29. Reference 1 Name:

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30. Reference 1 Contact Information:

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31. **Reference 2 Name:**

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32. **Reference 2 Contact Information:**

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35. **COMMITMENT CONTRACT \***

please refer to the FAQ section for more information: <http://pittsburghpa.gov/servepgh/cla/faq>  
*Check all that apply.*

- I will attend at least 8 of the 10 Civic Leadership Academy Classes. I understand that classes are every Wednesday from 6 to 8:30 pm beginning March 25th.
- I will arrive on time to every class and, if necessary, make prior arrangements to ensure I have proper transportation to every class (participant carpool, public transit, etc).
- I will be respectful of all presenters and fellow students.
- I will participate in the end of class Service Project, a participant-led project designed to address a need in our community. The project will take place outside of regular class hours and has typically been completed on a Saturday morning.

36. **City Channel Video \***

This spring, the City Channel film crew will be videotaping all Civic Leadership Academy presentations to broadcast a 10 episode series on the City Channel TV station and YouTube channel. Please be aware that all questions and comments made during presentations may be included in this broadcast. All episodes will be aired after the completion of the course.  
*Check all that apply.*

I Agree

**37. Release of Liability \***

I hereby request authorization to participate in the City of Pittsburgh's Civic Leadership Academy (CLA). I understand that tours and other CLA activities may include a risk of personal injury and/or personal property damage, and I make this request with full knowledge of these risks. I do hereby remise, release, and forever discharge the City of Pittsburgh, all participating City Departments, and all City agents, volunteers, and personnel of and agree to defend the same, of and from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, causes of action or suits of any kind or nature whatsoever, particularly on account of personal injury and property damage, known or unknown, arising from my participation in and attendance at CLA. I have been provided with a copy of and have read and fully understand the activities I will participate in and have read and fully understand this release and indemnity and I sign freely and voluntarily.

*Check all that apply.*

I Agree

**38. Photographs \***

By registering for and/or participating in the CLA, I understand that I am agreeing to allow publication of photos, video, or film taken during any program, class or event subject to the terms stated herein. Photography or filming may be performed by City employees or authorized agents of the City of Pittsburgh. I hereby grant to the City the right and permission to use my photograph, video, or likeness in any and all of its publications, including the City of Pittsburgh's website, without payment or other consideration. I understand and agree that these videos, photographs, or films together with any plates, tapes, negatives, or other storage media from which they are made, are and shall remain the property of the City of Pittsburgh and will not be returned. I further hereby authorize the City to publish or distribute this photograph/video/or likeness for purposes of publicizing the City of Pittsburgh and/or future CLA programs. In addition, I hereby waive my right to inspect or approve the finished product in any media format wherein my photo or likeness appears. I also waive any right to royalties or other compensation relating in any way to the use or release of such photograph, video, or finished product.

*Check all that apply.*

I Agree

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