



"Developing the next generation of business and civic leaders in the Inland Empire"





Dear Community Leader:

The Inland Empire Economic Partnership (IEEP) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the eleventh year of the Regional Leadership Academy. We believe that the economic future of our region depends on forming the best leaders of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. This program has been designed with your interests in mind.

The academy is intended to serve actively engaged members of the regional community in the public and private sectors. Participants will gain an in-depth understanding of key issues facing the Inland Empire region, including the Coachella Valley and the High Desert, Southern California and the state of California. Those who are interested in advancing their knowledge of regional issues, public policy, political and cultural perceptions of the Inland Empire within the state, as well as leadership skills, are encouraged to participate.

Participants will engage in all-day sessions once a month from September, 2023 to July, 2024. The group will also travel to various destinations to connect with regional and statewide leaders. These travel opportunities will encourage civic engagement and the building of relationships necessary to leadership. IEPP will present those who successfully complete* the academy with a certificate endorsed by California State University San Bernardino and California Baptist University.

This program addresses our region's need to develop and expand a network of professional leaders in the business, government and community sectors across the Inland Empire. The Regional Leadership Academy program will provide its participants the invaluable experience of becoming a steward to our region. By expanding their understanding of the people, places, and trends shaping our region, the participants will become more valuable employees and citizens of the Inland Region.

We invite you to sponsor a (n) individual(s) from your exceptional team to the academy, who would in turn benefit your efforts through an in depth and comprehensive understanding of the Inland Empire's role in relation to Southern California and the state of California. We ask you to also give consideration to sponsoring candidates who reflect the diverse demographics of our region.

We are asking that you contribute \$2,000 per participant to the Regional Leadership Academy to support associated costs. This tax deductible contribution (501c3) goes toward the cost of planning, facilitation, catering (all lunches are included), rental/facility fees, and some transportation (includes buses, hotel, and airfare to Sacramento). This investment has the potential to greatly benefit the leader(s) you have identified.

We look forward to graduating the eleventh class of the Regional Leadership Academy and hope that you will join us in developing the next generation of Inland Empire leaders.

Thank you for your consideration,

Paul Granillo, President & CEO
Inland Empire Economic Partnership

The Regional Leadership Academy Class of 2023-2024 Program Schedule*

All lunches for this program are included. * Schedule is subject to change.

Session 1 – Introduction to Program, Regional Economy and History

Date: September 8, 2023 Location: California Steel Industries Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm

Topics: IEEP RLA Introduction, Regionalism and the Economy, History of the Inland Empire

Session 2 – City Government

Date: October 13, 2023 Location: City of Fontana Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Topics: Foundations of a City, Government Budgeting and Processes

Session 3 – Utilities and Infrastructure

Date: November 3, 2023 Location: Whittier Time: 8:00am - 3:00pm

Topics: Intergration of Sustainability, water issues, regional/statewide regulatory climate, and business

Session 4 – Education

Date: December 08, 2023 Time: 8:30am - 2:00pm

Topics: Major contributors to Inland Empire educational attainment

Session 5 – Nonprofits

Date: January 12, 2024 Location: Goodwill Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Topics: Policy effects and intersection between businesses and nonprofits

Session 6 – Healthcare

Date: Feb 9, 2024 Location: Loma Linda University Time: 8:00am - 2:30pm

Topics: Intersections with healthcare issues across region and state

Session 7 –Law Enforcement in the Inland Empire

Date: March 8, 2024 Location: Glen Helen Rehabilitation Center Time: 8:30am - 2:00pm

Topics: Foundations of a County, interactive experience of skills training

Session 8 – Manufacturing & Logistics

Date: April 12, 2024 Location: Ontario International Airport Time: 8:30am - 3:30pm

Topics: Corporate Social Responsibility and insights on Manufacturing

Session 9 – Los Angeles

Date: May 10, 2024 Location: Port of LA, Phillips 66 Refinery Time: 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Topics: Transportation & Goods Movement and Southern California's Integrated Economy; Tour of the Port of Los Angeles and Phillips 66 Refinery

Session 10 – Sacramento

Dates: First Week of June, 2024 Location: Sacramento, CA Topics: Development of relationships with representatives and the Inland Empire Caucus

Graduation

Date: July 12, 2024 Location: TBD Time: 3:00pm – 5:00pm

2023 – 2024 Regional Leadership Academy
Nomination Form

Please provide the participant's information below.
Deadline to submit an application is
August 7th, 2023
Return via email to: rla@ieep.com

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Home Address (Street, City, Zip): _____

Contact Number: _____ Preferred Email: _____

Dietary needs (vegan, vegetarian, etc.)? Please specify: _____

Date of Birth: _____

BUSINESS/AGENCY INFORMATION

Business/Agency Name: _____

Business/Agency Address: _____

Job Title: _____ Professional Email: _____

Business Phone: _____ Assistant/Secondary Contact Email: _____

Please briefly describe your business/agency's work:

Please briefly describe your current responsibilities and business related groups you are affiliated with:

Previously held positions at this business/agency:

We hope you will assist us in identifying the demographic of this program's participants to build a cohort as diverse as our region. Your response is completely OPTIONAL.

I consider myself to be:

- Asian Black/African American Caucasian
 Hispanic/Latino/Spanish Native American

Is there any other category of diversity with which you identify and would add to the mix of the class?

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Gender: M F Age: 18-25 26-35 36-45 46-55 56+

EDUCATION

List educational background including: college(s), advanced degrees and/or specific training.

Leadership positions held or special honors.

COMMUNITY INTERESTS

Please list your community, political, social, or other activities in which you are/were involved (do not include business/professional activities).

Organization

Involvement and Time Commitment

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

What issues affecting our region are of interest to you and why (i.e. Goods Movement, Healthcare, Manufacturing)?

What do you hope to gain from participation in The Regional Leadership Academy? Please include how you expect to utilize it and what you hope to contribute to the class.

SPONSOR COMMITMENT

I certify that I will support _____ with a contribution in the amount of \$2,000 to participate in The Regional Leadership Academy. Further, I will provide the time and other necessary means for the above applicant to participate in all sessions and activities.

Sponsor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Sponsor Title: _____



PARTICIPANT COMMITMENT

I certify that all the information I have provided is complete and accurate, and that all statements are my own work. If selected, I am prepared to be an active participant throughout the course by attending all sessions and dedicating time to develop my professional portfolio.

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

*To successfully complete the academy with a certificate endorsed by California State University San Bernardino and California Baptist University the participant must attend 80% of scheduled sessions (8/10).

