

FutureHeights

Neighborhood Leadership

Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series Application Form

Thank you for your interest in the FutureHeights Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series. Your decision to apply indicates that you care about your neighborhood and you want to contribute to making it a better place in which to live, work and play.

At this time, the program, funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant from the City of Cleveland Heights, is specifically targeted to neighborhoods in Cleveland Heights. Therefore, the program is currently open to Cleveland Heights residents only.

The Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series will take place on **Sunday afternoons from 3 to 6 p.m.** At this time, our plan is to hold these workshops in-person at FutureHeights (located in the Coventry P.E.A.C.E building, 2843 Washington Blvd).

The Spring 2022 dates are March 6, March 20, April 10, April 24, and May 15.

Session topics will explore categories such as individual leadership; strengths-based approaches to community work, especially Asset Based Community Development (ABCD); project planning; diversity, equity, and inclusion; leveraging community resources; and learning to research your neighborhood.

By participating in the series, you'll receive individual coaching, peer-to-peer counseling and mentorship. You will receive strategic skill training and support related to:

- Identifying your self-interest and set personal goals,
- Engaging and communicating with your neighbors,
- Holding effective meetings and organizing projects,
- Organizing a volunteer organization,
- Maintaining momentum and preventing burn out,
- Handling difficult issues and negativity,
- Researching the history of your neighborhood,
- Identifying community resources, such as city resources and community-wide nonprofits,

- Using NEO CANDO and other databases to find neighborhood data,
- Utilizing asset-mapping, surveys and other methods to collect data,
- Creating a strong neighborhood identity that builds upon your assets,
- Setting actionable goals and priorities,
- Determining what role you and others will play,
- Sharing your successes and inspiring others, and more.

To submit your fillable PDF-version of the application:

Please email your completed application to swolf@futureheights.org with the subject “NLWS Application” or mail it to FutureHeights % Sarah Wolf, 2843 Washington Blvd., Cleveland Heights, OH 44118.

The deadline for applications is February 18, 2022.

Questions? Email is the most efficient way to connect with Sarah -- swolf@futureheights.org -- or you may also call the FutureHeights office at 216-320-1423.

SECTION ONE: TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Name: _____

Full mailing address:

Email address: _____

Phone number: _____

What are your preferred pronouns?

she/her/hers

he/him/his

they/them/theirs

Prefer not to say

Other

What is your age range?

under 18

18-30

31-40

41-50

51-65

over 65

Prefer not to say

What is your racial or ethnic identity? (Check all that apply)

African-American/Black

Caucasian/White

Asian

Hispanic/LatinX

Prefer not to say

Other

Are you vaccinated against COVID-19?

Yes, I am fully vaccinated

No, I am not vaccinated

I am partially vaccinated

What interests you in participating in our leadership workshop? What skills do you hope to learn or build upon?

Do you have any previous leadership experience? (It is not required that you have previous leadership experience to do our program but it is helpful to have a sense of participant backgrounds)

PART TWO: TELL US ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

What do you call the neighborhood where you live?

How long have you lived in your neighborhood/in Cleveland Heights?

Do you belong to a Cleveland Heights neighborhood group or association?

Yes

No

If you said "yes," tell us the group's name and a bit of its history of why it was formed and what its mission is.

What do you love about your neighborhood?

Where do you see opportunities for improvement in your neighborhood?

How are you hoping to use the skills, networks, and information you will gain in the workshop in your neighborhood? (think: what is your "dream project" or vision for your neighborhood?)

PART THREE: WORKSHOP INFORMATION

We ask that participants commit to attending all workshop dates. Please select all dates that you know you are able to attend for the Spring 2022 session.

The Community Building Workshops all take place on Sunday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at FutureHeights (located in Coventry P.E.A.C.E.)

March 6th

March 20th

April 10th

April 24th

May 15th

If you have additional comments about your ability to commit to all of the workshop dates, please let us know.

We are able to offer free child care to participants during workshop sessions. Do you anticipate utilizing free child care?

Yes

No

Possibly

Do you anticipate any other possible barriers to attending the sessions, such as transportation, or do you need any special accommodations? If so, please let us know so we can try to work out a solution.

How did you first learn about the FutureHeights Neighborhood Leadership Workshops Series program? (Check all that apply)

Word of mouth

Through another FutureHeights avenue (a committee or program, such as the mini-grant program)

Facebook

Instagram

FutureHeights website

Heights Observer - e-news

Heights Observer - print edition

City of Cleveland Heights (newsletter, website, social media, etc.)

Neighborhood group or organization

Email

NLWS Info Session

Other

If you selected “other,” please let us know where you heard about the leadership workshop.

***Thank you for applying to the
Spring 2022 FutureHeights
Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series!***

Applications are being received on a rolling basis until February 18, 2022.

Once your application has been submitted, please allow up to a week for a response.

A short (15-30 minute) interview is the next step before being admitted to the program.

Questions? Email Sarah at swolf@futureheights.org (email for fastest response) or call the FutureHeights office at 216-320-1423.