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NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP SERIES APPLICATION FORM

Thank you for applying to the FutureHeights Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series. Your decision to apply indicates that although you care about your neighborhood, you also know that there are things that could make 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.

Participants who complete the program, will be encouraged to apply for a FutureHeights Mini-Grant of up to \$1,000 to help complete a community project in your neighborhood. Several residents from the same neighborhood are encouraged to apply so that they can formulate projects together. Help us spread the word!

The Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series will take place on Sunday afternoons from 3 to 6 p.m. at FutureHeights (2843 Washington Blvd., Suite 105). Please visit futureheights.org for this year's program dates. The topics for each session are:

- **Session 1: Individual Leadership**
- **Session 2: Asset Based Community Development, and Planning Your Project**
- **Session 3: Understanding Cleveland Heights' Cultural Identity**
- **Session 4: Policy & Advocacy, and Researching Your Neighborhood**
- **Session 5: Leveraging Community Resources, and final session wrap-up**

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 assets-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.

Please check futureheights.org for this round's application deadline. Submit your completed application via e-mail to swolf@futureheights.org or mail it to FutureHeights, 2843 Washington Blvd. #105, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118. Questions? Call us at 216-320-1423.

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Type or print your responses clearly.

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

Your Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Do you belong to a Heights-based neighborhood group or street association? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, what is the group's name: _____

When was this group formed? _____

Does the group have tax-exempt status? ___ Yes ___ No

Was there a particular issue or opportunity around which the group was formed? ___ Yes ___ No

Tell us about it: _____

Do you hold a leadership position with this organization? ___ Yes ___ No

If so, what is the name of the position? _____

Website Address (if applicable): _____

TELL US ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD

Please describe the location and boundaries of your neighborhood: _____

What do you consider the most important assets of your neighborhood? _____

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What does your neighborhood need? _____

What is most important skill or knowledge base that you hope to learn from the workshops?

What will be the positive impact of your participation on your neighborhood? How will your neighborhood be stronger and in what ways will it improve?

Can you commit to attending all of the Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series sessions? Yes No
If not, please describe which session you will miss and the nature of the conflict _____

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For more information, call the FutureHeights office at 216-320-1423.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?

How did you first learn about the FutureHeights Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series program?

- Word of mouth
- Neighborhood meeting/event
- Neighborhood group or organization (name: _____)
- E-mail
- Postcard
- Website (name: _____)
- Blog (name: _____)
- Heights Observer
- City of Cleveland Heights
- Other (explain: _____)

We offer free child care to participants during the sessions. Do you anticipate utilizing free child care?

Yes No

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

Are you vaccinated against COVID-19?

- Yes, I am fully vaccinated.
- No, I am not vaccinated.
- I have had one dose of the vaccine.