



Leadership Elk & Cameron Class XIII

Evening Reception
Tuesday, September 10, 2019
Elk Country Visitor's Center



Impacts & Outcomes – Leadership Elk & Cameron



- Developed in response to need identified in Stackpole-Hall Foundation Community Needs Assessment, 2006
- 178 Graduates, 12 classes completed
- Advisory Committee – 1,100+ cumulative hours logged each year

Program Outcomes



- ✓ **Community Understanding and Awareness:** Educating participants in the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and assets of our communities and the implications for the future
- ✓ **Collaborative Leadership and Relationship Building:** Providing opportunities for participants to understand and enhance their personal and professional skills and knowledge, make partnerships across a broad continuum of leaders, and effectively lead with others
- ✓ **Civic Readiness:** Fostering experiences, behaviors, and attitudes that will spark participation within communities including service on community boards, in local government, and leading improvement efforts

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2018-2019 Class Evaluations

As a result of the program.....

- *92% Agreed or Strongly Agreed* that they have a better understanding of our communities' strengths and weaknesses
- *92% Agreed or Strongly Agreed* that they had opportunities to understand and enhance their personal and professional skills and knowledge, make partnerships across a broad continuum of leaders, and effectively lead with others.
- *92% Agreed or Strongly Agreed* that this program fostered experiences, behaviors, and attitudes that will spark participation within communities including service on community boards, in government, and leading improvement efforts.

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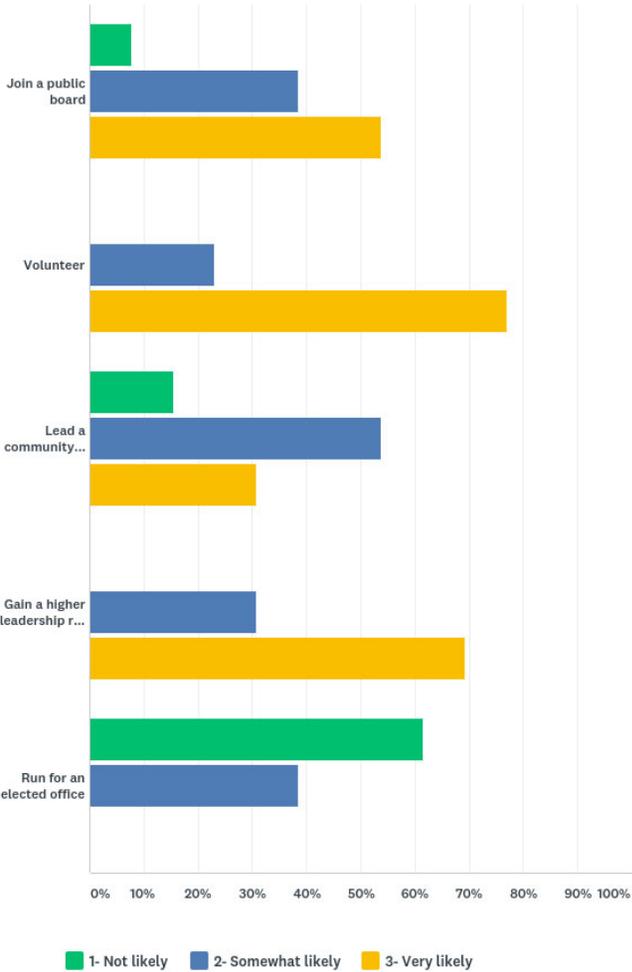


2018-2019 Class Evaluations

Impact statements:

- “This program allowed me to meet the folks that are the “do-ers” in this area. It makes you aware of who to call if you ACTUALLY want to make a difference instead of just complaining about an issue like the rest of the folks who just want to complain and not actually ever want to help to find a way to solve the issue.”
- “I shook more hands and forgot more names than I ever would have in a years time. We all get trapped in our own individual routines, by just attending your monthly sessions, I was exposed to folks from all walks of live, whether they were speakers for the day, or just my fellow classmates. EVERYONE has something to offer.”
- “Amazing opportunity to learn more about what your community has to offer and what you have to offer your community”

Q3 As a result of this program, how likely are you to become active in your community through the following.





What to Expect Leadership Elk & Cameron

Over this 10 month commitment....

Monthly Sessions:

- Orientation/team building
- Tourism & Environment
- Communications
- History & Preservation
- Health & Human Services
- Arts & Education
- Local Government
- Economic Development
- State Government/Harrisburg Trip

Community Improvement Projects

YMCA – Ridgway Chamber – Oak Manor – Headwaters – Dickinson Center – Community Nurses – Elk County Catholic HS – LIFT – Youth Center – City of St. Marys – Footlighters – 4H – Big Maple Farms – West Creek Rail Trail – St. Marys Heritage Preservation Group – Boys and Girls Club – Big Brothers Big Sisters – Elk County Community Foundation

Over \$50,000 in cash and materials donated to date



2019-2020 Participant Sponsors

- Advantage Metal Powders
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The task of leadership is to create
an alignment of strengths
so strong that it makes
the system's weaknesses
irrelevant.

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Growing Community Leaders