**Class of 2017 Application**

**Instructions**

Thank you for your interest in Leadership Jefferson. Please complete each section fully, limiting answers to the spaces provided. Please make every effort to complete this application electronically. Your application will be reviewed by the Leadership Jefferson Selection Committee and you will be notified of the progress.

A non-refundable application fee of $50.00 is required with the submission of your application. Tuition for each applicant, upon acceptance to the program, is $1,350 for Jefferson Chamber members $1,500 for non-members. Please do not send the full tuition amount until you are notified of your acceptance in the program. All applicants will be notified no later than August 10, 2016.

Any questions should be addressed to Diane Jackson, Program Assistant at (504) 201-2711 or by email at diane@theslonegroup.com or Ronnie Slone, Program Director (504) 220-2122 or by email at ronnie@theslonegroup.com.

**Application Checklist**

1. Check your calendar for availability on the program dates:
* Overnight Opening Retreat—Friday, September 16/17, 2016 beginning at 8 a.m. and staying overnight until noon on Saturday, at The Carter Plantation in Springfield, Louisiana.
* Seven Monthly Sessions (maximum of 2 absences allowed)
	+ Application Deadline August 10, 2016
	+ Opening Retreat September 16/17 (mandatory)
	+ Quality of Life October 11, 2016
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	+ Education January 10, 2017
	+ Diversity February 14, 2017
	+ Governance March 14, 2017
	+ Community Inv April 11, 2017
	+ Closing Retreat May, 2017 (mandatory)
	+ Graduation May, 2017
* Overnight Closing Retreat—Friday, May, 2017 beginning at 8 a.m. and staying overnight until noon on Saturday, May, 2017. Location: TBD.
* Graduation for the program is scheduled for May, 2016 at 6 p.m.
1. Complete Application Form (please make sure that the application is signed by you and your employer, if your employer is sponsoring your enrollment.
2. Process check made payable to Jefferson Chamber Foundation for Application Fee of $50.00 (or supply information for credit card payment).
3. Submit application and payment
	* If paying by credit card:
		+ Submit via email to Diane Jackson, Program Assistant at diane@theslonegroup.com.
	* If paying with by check:
	* Mail or hand deliver a hardcopy print out of your application and check by August 10, 2016 to:

Jefferson Chamber Foundation

LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON

3421 N. Causeway, Suite # 203

Metairie, LA 70002

**Personal Data**

**Full Name**

**Preferred First Name (if different)**

**Birth Date (month/day/year)**

**Home Telephone** (     )

**Gender** [ ] Male [ ] Female

**Ethnic Group**  [ ] Caucasian [ ]  Native American [ ] Hispanic

[ ] African American [ ] Asian [ ] Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address**

**Email Address to be contacted at**

**Years in Jefferson Parish**       Reside, # of Years       Work, # of Years

**Spouse’s/Significant Other’s Name**

**Number of Children**      **Number of Grandchildren**

**Favorite things to do when not working**

**Education**

**Briefly summarize your educational background. List degree/certificates received, field of study, vocational training programs, professional institutes, etc**.

**Employment**

**Present Employer**       **Self employed?** [ ]  Yes [ ] No

**Type of Business**

**Mailing Address**

**Business Phone** (     )      **Fax Number** (     )

**Cell Phone/Pager** (     )

**Bus. Email**

**Alternate Email**

**Job Title**

**Briefly describe your responsibilities in your current job**

**Previous employment in reverse chronological order**

**Employer Title or Responsibility From To**

**What do you consider your highest responsibility, skill or career achievement so far?**

**Community Involvement Information**

**Please list business, professional or job-related organizations of which you have been a member and that have been of significance to you.**

**Organization Responsibility / Position Held From To**

**Please list community, civic, political, athletic, religious, cultural or other organizations of which you have been a member and that have been of significance to you.**

**Organization Responsibility / Position Held From To**

**What do you consider your most important accomplishment in any one of the above**

**organizations? Why? What role did you play?**

**What awards or recognition have you received from any of the above organizations? When?**

**YOUR OPINION**

**In your judgment, what are at least three most pressing problems facing Jefferson Parish and/or the region today? Explain your choices.**

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

**What do you hope to gain from participating in the Leadership Jefferson Program?**

**Personal Recommendations**

**Please list three references:**

**Name Title Company / Organization Phone Number**

**How I Heard About Leadership Jefferson**

[ ]  From someone who has participated/is participating in Leadership Jefferson.

Name of person:

[ ]  From my supervisor

[ ]  From a co-worker

[ ]  From a friend

[ ]  From the Jefferson Chamber: [ ] website [ ] mailing [ ] fax [ ]  Chamber member (     )

[ ]  Publication/Public Forum: [ ] Times-Picayune [ ] CityBusiness [ ] Television

[ ]  From a Chamber event I attended, which event:

[ ]  Other (please describe):

**Brief Bio**

A brief bio on each class member is included in the participant notebook presented at the Opening Retreat. The bio is basically a concise summary of the information you have provided on the application form. Consider this your opportunity to pick the highlights you would like your other classmates to read **if you are selected for the program.** Please be aware that everyone selected will also be asked to provide a photo for the participant notebook.

Please list your preferred contact email, address and telephone number:

(     )

Address

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**Your Name (as you would want it to appear on your name tag/class roster/notebook bio)**

**My Work: (include information on what you currently do in your job; optional – include**

**information on past positions, etc.) – 50 words or less**

**My Volunteer Activities: (include current or past volunteer activities) – 50 words or less**

**My Awards/Recognition/Educational Accomplishments: (include educational accomplishments, work or volunteer related awards/recognition) – 50 words or less**

**My Personal History: (include birthplace, other places you have lived, what city you live in**

**now, if you have children or grandchildren, favorite pastimes/hobbies) – 50 words or less**

**My Favorite Quote/Thought about Leadership:**

**Sponsoring Organization / Corporation / Individual**

      has my full support to participate in the LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON Program. I am aware of the time commitment involved for effective participation, as well as the financial obligation described below.

Signature Corporation / Organization / Individual

Title/ Phone/ Date

**Commitment**

*To graduate from LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON, a participant is expected to attend the opening and closing retreats and at least five of the seven sessions, as well as to commit to participating in the service program (mentoring program for this year’s class).*

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Space at the Opening Retreat is very limited and will require roommate(s) for some participants. Are you willing to have a roommate? [ ] Yes [ ] No

*Note: You can choose your roommate or Diane Jackson, Coordinator of Retreat(s) can best match you to another Class of 2017 participant.*

Will you be able to fulfill this time commitment (full participation in the Class of 2017)?
[ ] Yes [ ] No

*Tuition for each participant is due by August 15, 2016; for members of the Jefferson Chamber, tuition is $1,350. For non-members it is $1,500.*

Will you be able to fulfill this financial commitment? [ ] Yes [ ] No

*In addition, a non-refundable application fee of $50.00 is required with submission of this*

*application.*

Please indicate payment method for application fee:

[ ]  Check made payable to Jefferson Chamber Foundation and forwarded with hardcopy of application to Jefferson Chamber Foundation, LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON.

[ ]  Please charge this credit card: [ ] VISA [ ] Master Card [ ] AMEX [ ] Discover

Credit Card #      Expiration Date

[ ]  Please use this credit card to pay my tuition

***I understand and acknowledge the purpose and commitment of LEADERSHIP JEFFERSON and, if I am selected as a participant, I will devote the required time.***

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_