

Charleston Promise

Community Leadership Institute

CLI

You're invited to participate in a grass-roots neighborhood leadership training for Charleston Promise Neighborhood residents. CLI will provide residents with the opportunity to:

- Build their leadership skills that they may better advocate for their families and community.
- Increase their awareness of community issues.
- Network with community leaders for future collaborations to get things done.
- Become residents that are engaged in community, civic and government activities.

Training is only open to residents living in the Charleston Promise Neighborhood. The selection process is competitive as each training will consist of only 20-25 residents from each CPN school area.

Our Mission

The mission and purpose of the Community Leadership Institute (CLI) is to empower Charleston Promise Neighborhood residents with the tools needed to promote positive changes within their community.

The Charleston Promise Neighborhood is an organization focusing on a 5.6 mile area designated as a "Promise Zone", an area that has tremendous potential. It focuses on the residents in the attendance zones of the following schools: Sanders-Clyde Elementary, James Simons Elementary, Chicora Elementary, and Mary Ford Elementary.



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**Community Leadership
Institute**



Empowering Residents
one neighbor at a time...

The strength of our community

Transformation within a Generation

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The Community Leadership Institute (CLI) is an initiative designed to help neighborhood residents participate in the dynamic process of transforming their neighborhoods into model communities that promote growth and prosperity that is beneficial to all. A community with schools and activities that residents can be proud of and boast about.

The Charleston Promise CLI is an educational experience that gives residents insight into the inner workings of the neighborhood and the governmental process needed to effect change. It is a unique partnership between residents, community leaders, organizations and the governing bodies that operate within the CPN communities.

The power to transform your community lies in each and everyone of its residents— CLI will empower residents to use this power in ways that will help them discover the control that they have to bring positive change to their communities... it's about choice, your choice!

CLI Training

Is a 12 weeks (14 sessions) training that will consist of 1 week-end retreat. Participants must attend each leadership session, contribute to discussions and learning experiences and be committed to completing a community planning project. Trainings will be each Saturday, 9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m. with the orientation taking place that Friday, 6:00 p.m. —8:00 p.m.

Schedule

Weekend Retreat (Feb 3-4)

- Friday—Orientation
- Saturday—Leadership team building, Personal relationship skills, Group Dynamics, Conflict Resolution, Learning and Listening skills/styles.

Week 2 (February 11)

Community Organizing/Development

- Community! What does that mean?

Week 3 (February 18)

Assessing your Neighborhood

- Overview of CPN Neighborhood
- Asset Mapping
- SWOT Analysis
- Surveying your Neighborhood

Week 4 (February 24)

Coalition Building

- Creating Social Change in Community Setting.

Week 5 (March 3)

Criminal Justice

- Theory of Crime
- Community Policing (*Neighborhood Watch*)
- Code Enforcement
Community Clean Sweep
Recycling (*Sustainability*)

Week 6 (March 10)

Tour of Neighborhoods
(Saturday)

Week 7 (March 17)

Strategic Planning

- Goal setting, personal goal setting

Week 8 (March 24)

Managing Funding

- Financial Literacy
- Fundraising
- Financial ethics
- Project Management
- Proposal Writing for Neighborhood Projects

Week 9 (March 31)

Communication & Engagement

- Communication Skills
- Media
- Community Calendar

Week 10 (April 14)

Government 101

- Neighborhood Council
- City Council
- County Council
- State Legislative Body

** Field trip to City Council Meeting

Week 11 (April 21)

Work on Group Project

Week 12 (April 28)

Graduation & Project Presentation

Eligibility & Application:

Any adult resident living in the Charleston Promise Neighborhoods may apply. See your Neighborhood Council President or contact CPN for application..

Cost: Your Time!!!

Return on Investment:

The contribution that residents will make to the neighborhood. Efforts that will make a difference and help CPN for Live... Learn.... Grow... !!!!