



# LEAD Champaign County

## INVEST IN YOUR EMERGING LEADERS



Champaign County  
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## Ready to LEAD?

### CONTACT:

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### LEAD Champaign County aims to mold young professionals into strong local leaders.

Participants will gain confidence, knowledge, professionalism and strong leadership skills they can bring back to their place of employment. The program is a great way to connect young professionals with their peers and build strong business relationships.

### OUR MISSION:

To attract and empower the next generation of community leaders in Champaign County.

To connect young professionals to their peers, local resources and opportunities for service, leadership and advocacy.

To engage participants in creating a stronger community.

*Unless otherwise stated, events are held at the Chamber office.*

### WK 1: OPENING RECEPTION & KICK-OFF EVENT

Location TBA

Tuesday, August 26, 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

### WK 2: LEADERSHIP FOUNDATIONS & STRENGTHS ANALYSIS

Thursday, September 4, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Gayle Spencer, Senior Director / Illinois Leadership Center

### WK 3: EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION & PERSONAL BRANDING

Thursday, September 11, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Stephanie Stuart / Parkland College

### WK 4: EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE & LEADERSHIP

Thursday, September 18, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Heidi Esther / Heidi Esther Unlimited, LLC

### WK 5: TEAM BUILDING & COLLABORATION - CHALLENGE COURSE

4-H Memorial Camp, 499 Old Timber Rd., Monticello, IL

Thursday, September 25, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

### WK 6: NAVIGATING CONFLICT & DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS

Thursday, October 2, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Liz Borman / CIHRG

### WK 7: STRATEGIC THINKING & DECISION MAKING

Thursday, October 9, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

### WK 8: LEADING THROUGH CHANGE

Thursday, October 16, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

### WK 9: FINANCIAL & ETHICAL LEADERSHIP

Thursday, October 23, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Tammy Lemke / Lemke Strategic Consulting LLC

### WK 10: COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT - PANEL

Thursday, October 30, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Panelists from United Way, Champaign Rotary and City of Champaign

### WK 11: PREPARING FOR LEADERSHIP ROLES - PANEL

Thursday, November 6, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

### WK 12: ETIQUETTE LUNCHEON & GRADUATION

Baxters American Grille, 100 Trade Ctr. Dr., Champaign, IL

Thursday, November 13, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Patricia Simpson / Game Changing Etiquette