

## **LEADERSHIP PLANO CLASS PROJECT**

### **Purpose**

To work together as a team to create and develop a project that will benefit the Plano/Collin County community by utilizing the combined resources, talents and skills of the members of the class.

### **Guidelines**

- All class members should participate.
- The class may select one or more projects.
- The project(s) may be a community service activity or development of a proposal addressing a community issue, which can be presented to key decision makers.
- An organization or nonprofit agency may only benefit from a Leadership Plano class project once every three years. Projects for the last three years:
  - 2006-07 Collin County Juvenile Justice Center
  - 2005-06 – Habitat for Humanity (Katrina Hurricane Family Relocation)
  - 2004-05 – Plano Africa -American Museum (PAAM)
- The class project proposal, including details of any plan to raise funds for the project, must be submitted to the Leadership Plano Curriculum Committee for approval by March 1. (*Note: Projects should not require major fundraising activity.*)
- The class project must be completed by the end of May.
- Depending on the monthly program, 15-20 minutes may be included on the agenda for project planning and/or status reports during the January through April sessions if time permits. However, additional project planning time will be required outside of class.

### **Sample Class Projects Ideas**

- Mentor as a group (adopt a school or grade)
- Help plan or volunteer for a community/nonprofit event
- Renovate/refurbish a home or nonprofit agency in need of repair
- Research solutions to community issues and present ideas to decision makers (i.e. senior issues, traffic, drug use, health care, crime, low-cost housing, voter apathy, etc.)
- Create a promotional video/CD for Leadership Plano
- Produce and distribute a Leadership Plano Alumni Directory
- Organize support for a bond election or other community initiative
- Collect supplies for agencies such as Salvation Army, The Samaritan Inn, C.I.T.Y. House, Children's Medical Clinic, Boys and Girls Club, the Women's Shelter, etc.

**Additional resources for project opportunities:** Volunteer Center of North Texas  
Collin County Cares Directory