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| LEADING IN THE CENTRAL WEST  Application Form  2016 Central West Community Leadership Program |

Congratulations on choosing to apply for the Central West Leadership program *Leading in the Central West*.

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| **PURPOSE AND OUTCOMES** |

This Program aims to:

* Build the confidence, capabilities and networks of people in the Central West to lead themselves and others to prosperity and resilience and particularly to strengthen the viability and sustainability of businesses, organisations, communities and industries.

Participants who apply what they’ve learnt will have:

* Improved knowledge of themselves, each other and the ability to share personal strengths for the common good
* Improved ability to influence positive change in themselves, their families, communities, businesses and industries
* Improved ability to work effectively with others
* Greater capacity for self-reliance, including the capacity to be proactive and approach change positively after analysing its implications
* Greater confidence and courage to act
* Improved relationships across the region, with shared trust, knowledge and processes to collaborate effectively on existing and new initiatives

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| **APPLICATION: Clarifying Information can be found on pages 4 & 5** |

This is my application to participate in the *Leading in the Central West* program at Blackall. I understand this is a residential program and I am required to attend both modules and the post-program Alumni day.

\* Module 1: 17 – 19 June, 2016 \*Module 2: 22 – 24 July, 2016

\* Post-program Alumni Day: Saturday 22nd October, 2016

Name: Mr  / Mrs / Ms­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­  Preferred First Name:

Family name: ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­

Trading name / Employer / Organisation:

Position / Life role/s:

Age:  20 - 29 30 – 45  46 – 59  60+

Gender:  Female Male

Address:

Town:       State:       Post Code:

Phone No: (H)       (M)

Email:

Emergency Contact: Name:      Phone No.:

Dietary Requirements:

Special needs:

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| **INFORMATION FOR SELECTION PANEL** *(limit 500 characters per answer)* |
| 1. Why are you interested in this program? | |
| 1. Describe the industry, business or life activity you are currently involved in: | |
| 1. What is your current role in this business or activity? | |
| 1. In what ways are you currently involved in initiatives to improve your industry, community or environment? | |
| 1. What are your personal hopes for your industry or community? | |

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| *Limit 600 characters per answer* | |
| 1. Explain why you wish to participate in Leading in the Central West and what you hope to gain from participating in this program: | |
| 1. How do you feel you might improve the lives of others, or improve your community or industry by being involved in this program? | |
| 1. What previous experience have you had in leadership roles or leadership development programs? | |
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| From your perspective, what do you believe are the 3 greatest challenges facing the Central West region today? | |
| What are 3 opportunities available to the Central West region? | |
| How could you contribute to developing these opportunities? | |
| **COMMITMENT TO PROGRAM AND CANCELLATION** |

I have addressed the following application requirements. I am committed to attending all days and nights of the program and, as a participant, to actively contributing in order to make this program a success.

I understand I am responsible for organising my own travel to and from Blackall.

I understand that if I am accepted into the program, and cancel after ***31 May 2016***, all fees paid will be forfeited unless a replacement participant can be found to take my place.

I agree to attend the full residential program: Module 1: 17 -19 June 2016, Module 2: 22 – 24 July 2016 and the post-program Alumni day on Sat 22nd October, 2016  (required)

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| **SCHOLARSHIP & TRAVEL SUBSIDY APPLICATION** |

I am paying the full fee cost of $2,200.

*I am applying for*:

Partial Scholarship:  Vision 21 – Amount $

Employer – Amount $

*I am applying for*:

Full Scholarship:  Vision 21

Employer

*I am applying for a travel subsidy.* Distance from home to Blackall:       (km)

(Only available if live more than 50km from Blackall)

**All personal information collected to facilitate this application is confidential and will not be disclosed to any external party unless required to do so by law**. Some sponsors require basic data (Name, Date of Birth, Postcode) to enable them to provide sponsorship to the program.

Applicant Signature (print and sign or insert digital signature): 

*To insert digital signature click in middle of box. It will open a dialog box where you can enter the file name of signature. Alternatively, attach a digital signature to the email when you return this form.*

Date of birth:       Date:

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| **FEE, SCHOLARSHIP, TRAVEL SUBSIDY AND CANCELLATION INFORMATION** |

***Fees*:** The total **unsubsidised** costof the ***Leading in the Central West***Program is **$2,200** per person (GST incl). All fees are required to be paid on receipt of an invoice, which will be sent out with the acceptance letters.

***To ensure commitment to the program, it is expected participants will pay a minimum fee of $220 (GST incl).*** (Please contact Virginia as soon as possible if you feel you are unable to afford this fee as further scholarships may be available).

A further personal contribution ***or***a Vision 21 or Employer scholarship for the balance of **$1980** (GST incl) is required to be paid by ***29th April, 2016***.

***Scholarships*:** The organisers and sponsors are keen to support those people who will benefit from this program but may have difficulty meeting the financial costs. Scholarships are available to ensure that financial concerns are not a barrier to participation. ***Please indicate in your application if you are requesting a scholarship.***

***Travel Subsidy*:** A travel subsidy is available for those who will have to travel *further than 50km* to attend. Please indicate on the application form above if you would like to apply for this subsidy. This subsidy is only available for private travel costs not employer sponsored travel. The subsidy amount will be dependent on number of applicants who apply and distance travelled over and above 50km.

***Cancellation*:** If cancellation is advised after ***31st May, 2016*** and prior to program commencement, you will receive a full refund ***only if a replacement participant can be found to take your place***. If no replacement can be found, all fees will be forfeited. Cancellation after commencement of the program will forfeit all fees.

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| **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** |

***Residential & Accommodation***

Living-in-Residence during this program is considered critical to its success. Your commitment to full attendance and sharing all leadership and social activities throughout the program is essential. Share accommodation is provided for 5 nights (17th / 18th June, 22nd / 23rd July and Fri 21st Oct) to facilitate attendance at this program. Additional nights are available at own cost.

***Selection Process***

There are limited places in this program. We are seeking applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and ages with a diverse range of life experiences. Your answers to the application questions will help determine your eligibility. You do not need to be currently involved in community or industry initiatives. We believe that people seeking to improve their skills and knowledge is a valid reason for attending the *Leading in the Central West* Program*.*

Participants in the ***Leading in the Central West*** program*,* including scholarship recipients, will be selected via a shortlisting process based on the eligibility criteria and response to the questions above. The selection panel will include representatives of the community and Vision21.

***Closing Date***

Closing date for applications is ***31st March 2016*** (later applications may be received if vacancies available). Successful applicants will be notified by ***Friday 15th April 2016***, at which time full program details will be provided.

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| **Please forward your completed application to:** |

Virginia Wacker

BTRC Neighbourhood Centre

PO Box 281

BLACKALL Qld 4472

Phone: W: 07 4657 4440 Email: [cdo@btrc.qld.gov.au](mailto:cdo@btrc.qld.gov.au)

Mobile: W: 0488 574 578

***If you require assistance to complete this application, contact Virginia Wacker to arrange a telephone or face-to-face appointment.***

For additional information about content of the ***Leading in the Central West***program, please contact Course Presenter: Pamela McAllister, of McAllister Leadership, (P): 07 3865 5327 / 0400 507 390;

(E): [mcallister.leadership@gmail.com](mailto:mcallister.leadership@gmail.com)

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| ***Thank you for your application.*** |

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