

2019 – 2020 In Review

2,000⁺
LCF Alumni to date

117
new LCF graduates in
Collier Country

32
community
leadership sessions

The Leadership Collier Foundation (LCF) works to activate the potential of leaders to build a stronger Collier County. This work is accomplished by serving as a link between the needs of the community and the leaders who can help fulfill them through a variety of Leadership Programs, community education, work-based learning, and resource building.

The LCF provides these leadership programs for executive leaders through Leadership Collier, young leaders, through Associate Leadership Collier, and youth leaders, through Youth Leadership Collier. We firmly believe that through education and engagement, these LCF graduates then have what it takes to be the difference. Through the LCF Alumni Association, our graduates continue to build alliances, connect to leadership roles, and foster goodwill and civic trusteeship. Leadership doesn't end after graduation—it is only the beginning!

The LCF works with all graduates, chamber members, and the community at large to fulfill needs for a healthy economy. Our most targeted area of focus is through Work-Based Learning initiative to address our future leaders of tomorrow.

This initiative is a collaboration between Southwest Florida's major educational institutions, nonprofits serving students, and local employers that create high-quality internship and work-based learning experiences for both employers and students. Experience and connections are crucial for growing and retaining our talent in Collier County. Below are a variety of opportunities for employers and professionals interested in participating:

Work-Based Learning

- ✔ Internships
- ✔ Job Shadow
- ✔ Work-Site Tours
- ✔ Guest Speakers
- ✔ Mock Interviews
- ✔ Informational Interviews
- ✔ Student-Business Networking



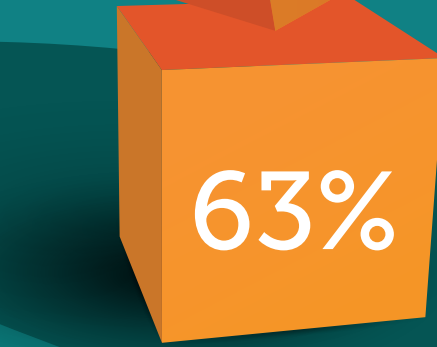
would **recommend** participating in a Leadership Collier program



inspired to take on volunteer leadership roles



believe the LCF **strengthens** their connection to Collier County



engaged in Work-Based Learning opportunities with local students

ALUMNI FEEDBACK

2,380
Students Served
in FY2019-2020



LCF Testimonials



“The partnerships we have formed as part of the Leadership Collier Foundation have deepened our relationships within the community and reaffirm our commitment to working together to help keep Collier County a great and safe place for all.”

Chief Stephanie Spell

Chief, Collier County Sheriff's Office
Leadership Collier 2010



“The one-week (Youth Leadership Collier) program was a life changing experience and I learned a ton about myself and about the diversity of businesses in Collier County. Leadership Collier Foundation has provided me with opportunities beyond the limitations of that one-week program, such as obtaining an internship with the League of Women Voters, where I research different voter issues and suggest possible solutions. The Leadership Collier Foundation has helped me grow as a person, established life-long connections, and has helped me become more prepared to enter into a professional field.”

Jonathan Oliva-Infante

Youth Leadership Collier 2019



“After graduating from Leadership Collier I found out that a great leader or businessman is complete when he cares about the community he lives in.”

Asif Syed

Owner, 21 Spices
Leadership Collier 2019



“The proudest accomplishment that was possible through my connections with the LCF would be my internship at the Naples Airport Authority. Through this connection I was able to build experience and network with other people in my desired career field around Florida.”

Abbi Gensing

Youth Leadership Collier 2019



“To have a world class community, you need world class leaders. Leadership Collier is a renowned program that helps inform and connect our community leaders to ensure our quality of life is sustained by influencing positive change for Collier.”

Michael Wynn

President, Sunshine Ace Hardware
Leadership Collier Class of 2008



“[Through my internship] On top of learning the principles of networking, philanthropy, foundation research, there is so much to be said about the cohesion in the community. I can say with the utmost confidence that the Naples community is a place that I'd love to work.”

Tristan Bashaw

NAF Academies High School Student