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Leadership Center for Excellence to Host First Annual Leadership Summit

Arlington, VA - Leadership Center for Excellence, powered by Leadership Arlington, is hosting its first annual Leaders Accelerate! leadership summit Friday, February 5, 2016 from 7:30am until 6:00pm at The Westin Arlington Gateway (801 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22203).

Area leadership programs including Leadership Arlington, Leadership Fairfax, Leadership Greater Washington, Leadership Loudoun, Leadership Montgomery and Leadership Prince William have joined forces as supporting partners for this regional event.

Leaders Accelerate! is a transformative, one-day experience for established leaders, emerging leaders, entrepreneurs, activists and other innovators. This summit brings together leaders at varying stages in their development for a forum that fuels personal leadership development and innovative thinking.

"As a new initiative of Leadership Center for Excellence, Leaders Accelerate! embodies the spirit and value of borderless leadership as we partner with regional programs to support the leadership development of our region," said Betsy Frantz, President & CEO of Leadership Center for Excellence and Leadership Arlington.

The goal of Leaders Accelerate! is to facilitate knowledge sharing through various sessions and peer networking opportunities designed to strengthen participants' capacity to lead and inspire. The summit will end with a reception featuring a regional, nonprofit showcase. More information about the sessions offered during this summit is available at <http://leadercenter.org/leadership-summit-session/>.

Motivating keynote speakers include **Donald E. Graham**, Chairman of the Board for Graham Holdings Company, **Marian Wright Edelman**, Founder and President of Children's Defense Fund, **Linda Singh**, Adjutant General for Army MD and Managing Director for Accenture, among many more. For a full list of Leaders Accelerate! speakers, please visit <http://leadercenter.org/leadership-summit-speakers/>.

Registration is \$299 per person for the general public and \$250 per person for groups of three or more through January 8 at 5:00pm. After this time, registration will increase by \$100 per ticket. Tickets are available online at <http://leadercenter.org/leadership-summit-registration/>.

For more information about Leaders Accelerate!, please visit <http://leadercenter.org/leadership-summit/>. Thank you to Leadership Accelerator Sponsor, The Palmer Foundation, Leadership Ambassador Sponsors, Accenture and The JBG Companies, and Change Agent Sponsor, Graham Holdings for their support of this event.

About Leadership Arlington

The mission of Leadership Arlington is to enlighten, inspire and connect leaders to strengthen the community. The vision of Leadership Arlington is a prepared, inspired and inclusive Arlington leadership who together embrace responsibility for the common good. For more information, visit www.leadershiparlington.org or call 703-528-2522.

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