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## Leadership Arlington Seeks Candidates for the Young Professionals Program Spring Class of 2014

Arlington, VA - Leadership Arlington is seeking up-and-coming trailblazers in the DC Metropolitan area to apply online for the Leadership Arlington Young Professionals Program Spring Class of 2014 by Monday, December 16, 2013.

"Due to the impact and popularity of the program, Leadership Arlington is excited to offer two Young Professionals Program sessions per year," shares Betsy Frantz, President & CEO of Leadership Arlington. "This January, we will begin our first spring Young Professionals Program class."

The Leadership Arlington Young Professionals Program is an initiative of Leadership Arlington that provides participants with four months of experiential learning alongside 25-30 peers in which they expand their footprint in the community, connect with established community leaders, develop an awareness of community needs and expand their circles of influence. This program helps cultivate a population of next generation leaders to become agents of change.



"Through Leadership Arlington's Young Professionals Program, I grew tremendously, personally and professionally," explains Allison Alt, Development Manager at Year Up National Capitol Region and graduate of the Leadership Arlington Young Professionals Program Class of 2013. "It reignited a fire and passion in me for service and community. It was and continues to be an honor to engage and work with so many like-minded young professionals who believe in giving back and paying it forward. I honestly couldn't be more thankful for the opportunity."

In addition to participant <u>benefits</u>, the participants' organizations benefit as well. "It's really hard for us to provide the quality of training

Leadership Arlington does. There's an amazing value in the training provided in that program," remarks John Murphy, President of Washington Workplace and graduate of the Leadership Arlington Signature Program Class of 1999. Murphy has sent three employees through the Young Professionals Program not only for the training, but also for the impact on his organization. "The program has helped drive our philanthropic and social goals."

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## Young Professionals Program applications are now available online at

http://leadershiparlington.org/programs/apply/yopro-apply/yopro-programapply-spring. The application deadline is Monday, December 16, 2013.



Informational mixers for the Young Professionals Program Spring Class of 2014 will be held from 6:30pm until 8:00pm on Thursday, November 21 at Ireland's Four Courts (2051 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22201) and 8:00am until 9:00am on Monday, December 9 at Leadership Arlington (4420 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 102, Arlington, VA 22203). Attendees at these informational mixers will gain an understanding of the Young Professionals Program, connect with current members and ask questions about the application process or program. RSVP online at weblink.donorperfect.com/YoProRSVP.

For more information about Leadership Arlington and the Young Professionals Program, visit www.leadershiparlington.org/programs/young-professionals.

## 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 leadership who together embrace responsibility for the common good. For more information, visit <u>www.leadershiparlington.org</u> or call 703-528-2522.