



2021 Leading Edge *Application for Tuition Scholarship*

Philosophy of Scholarships.

“Ask for what you need, but please need what you ask for.” Every year, the Create Great Leaders Council hosts an annual fundraiser to raise money for programming and scholarships. A portion of the money raised is distributed to participants in the coming year’s classes in need of financial support. Leading Edge scholarships exist to ensure the diversity of each class in sector, gender, race or ethnicity, and perspective.

Scholarship assistance may be available to those who can demonstrate valid need.

This includes leaders who represent: areas of government (city, county or state) or corporations who have limited training budgets; non-profits with limited operational budgets and resources; small business owners or employers committed to community; professional volunteers who work for no income; students and others with special circumstances working within the community. Awards generally range from a few hundred dollars to half the cost of the program. Higher awards are less common due to limited resources.

In return, we ask for your honesty in determining your need. Generally, scholarship requests far exceed what we can grant. Many scholarship requests will not be met. As a sign of commitment to this investment, all scholarship recipients agree to a minimum personal or employer contribution of \$500.

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Please list all funding sources.

Tuition is \$1,000 per applicant for Chamber members and \$1,150 per applicant for non-members.

- \$ _____ Employer
- \$ _____ Personal Contribution
- \$ _____ Other
- \$ _____ Scholarship Amount Requested

Please explain the reason for your request:

Please complete and send to Mel Trombley, Director of Leadership Programs, at mel@grandrapids.org NO LATER than 30 days prior to the first session to be considered for a scholarship.