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### **Leadership Gwinnett Now Accepting Applications for Class of 2018**

Duluth, Georgia (February 23, 2017) – Applications are now being accepted for Leadership Gwinnett's class of 2018. Leadership Gwinnett invites high-potential professionals to apply for its signature 9-month educational program. The highly-esteemed program has graduated over 1,100 rising leaders since 1985 and serves as the catalyst that exposes our area leaders to the vibrant community of Gwinnett County.

Applications are open now through March 24, 2017 for the August 2017 – May 2018 term.

#### **About the Leadership Gwinnett Program:**

Leadership Gwinnett has been a proven source for our community's most influential leaders. The exposure to the community issues, perspectives, and connections is essential to success in today's professional world. Leaders from all fields apply each year and 40 are selected to build a class representative of the community.

Leadership Gwinnett participants commit one day a month of exploring the community and discovering what makes it distinctive; including government, education, economic development, social services and the arts. Participants take exclusive tours and have hands-on experiences, all with local leaders who take on our community's biggest challenges every day. Armed with new knowledge, connections and perspectives, Leadership Gwinnett graduates are prepared to take their places as effective community leaders.

#### **Words from Nancy Harris, Mayor of Duluth and Leadership Gwinnett Alum:**

"Leadership Gwinnett is one of the things that gave me confidence to run for public office. I felt educated and informed when I finished the program. It is most valuable even after you graduate since you continue to network with your classmates. We seem to have an immediate allegiance: you just belong."

#### **About Leadership Gwinnett:**

Created in 1985, Leadership Gwinnett is the region's leading leadership development and civic engagement organization. Leadership Gwinnett strives to cross economic and social boundaries to inspire individuals to serve as catalysts for a stronger community. Dynamic programming and events develop, connect, and engage leaders into action toward social innovation and a brighter future for the Gwinnett community.

Complete program and application details are available at [www.leadershipgwinnett.com](http://www.leadershipgwinnett.com).  
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