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# Press Release

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## **RESOURCE CENTER NOW RECRUITING 2008 LEADERSHIP GENESEE PARTICIPANTS**

FLINT, MI, NOVEMBER 30, 2007: The Resource Center's Leadership Genesee program is now recruiting for the 2008 program. Leadership Genesee meets weekly from January 17 until May 20, 2008. The early-bird application deadline is January 7.

Leadership Genesee, formerly known as Leadership Flint and Community Leadership, brings together adults from diverse backgrounds into an active network of engaged community leaders. Alumni are actively involved in community activities and leadership roles throughout the Genesee County. In 2008, Leadership Genesee will continue its emphasis on local leadership development by raising participants' community awareness, allowing participants to network with existing and new leaders, fostering participants' sense of civic responsibility and engagement, and exposing participants to new research-based ideas and insights about our county's economic, social, and political future.

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**Leadership Genesee** has five main goals and objectives:

- ❖ Provide training to enhance participants' individual leadership skills;
- ❖ Provide a framework for networking among participants, community leaders, alumni, and others in the community;
- ❖ Build awareness among participants of community issues, resources, needs and civic responsibilities;
- ❖ Motivate participants to become more active citizens; and
- ❖ Expose participants to new, research-based ideas related to Genesee County's economic, social, and political future.

*"On my way to work today I saw a bumper sticker that read "don't move here;" that is obviously someone who has not gone through Leadership Genesee or is aware of everything that we have to offer here. I enjoyed being able to get ideas from other members and being able to pass on some of my own. I must admit there were quite a few things I did not know about my own community; this was very beneficial." (Diana Contreras, Educator / Trainer, Genesee County Community Mental Health, Leadership Genesee Class of 2007)*

*"As a newcomer to Flint, Leadership Genesee was a great experience for me. The things I learned about the community and the relationships I developed help me in my job on a daily basis." (Tony Dearing, Editor, The Flint Journal, Leadership Genesee Class of 2007)*

Leadership Genesee will offer two informational meetings on December 13 at Good Beans Café, 328 North Grand Traverse, from 12:30 -2 and 4:30 – 6 PM. For more information, contact John Waldo, the Resource Center's Director of Leadership Programs at (810) 232-6425 or [jwaldo@rescen.org](mailto:jwaldo@rescen.org). Leadership Genesee is sponsored in part by The Flint Journal and Community Challenge.