

NEXT Program

Crafting a Legacy of Leadership and CommUnity Impact



UNLEASHING POTENTIAL IN LIFE'S NEXT PHASE

Discover an enriching journey with Leadership Akron's NEXT Program, specifically designed for those transitioning into retirement or seeking to redefine their commUnity involvement. This immersive two-month experience offers unique insights into Akron's community dynamics, connecting you with influential changemakers and a deeper understanding of our city's challenges and assets. By joining NEXT, you'll cultivate meaningful relationships and develop a personal roadmap for impactful commUnity engagement. It's more than just a program; it's your opportunity to shape a lasting legacy and continue making significant contributions to our community.



"I feel like a tourist in my own city. I have learned so much about the arts and culture community, offerings, and the future reimagined."

Ethel Vinson, NEXT Class 11

PROGRAM DATES 2024-2025

- February 1: Applications Open
- August 22: New Class Reception
- August 29: Opening Retreat
- September 5: Parks & Environment
- September 12: Arts & Culture
- September 26: Civic Leadership & Justice
- October 3: Community & Economic Development
- October 17: Youth & Education
- October 24: Health & Social Services
- October 31: Closing Retreat

Tuition for NEXT is \$900. Limited tuition assistance may be available upon request.

