



Get Involved in The Institute! Continue to Grow as a Leader and Influence our Future

Get involved in our mission-driven organization to help develop, connect, inspire, and challenge community champions through life-changing leadership experiences. We promise to give you opportunities to grow as a leader and make a positive difference in The Institute and in Greater Des Moines.

Learn more or express your interest to Amy at ajennings@gdmli.com or Kelly at kroyal@gdmli.com.

1982 Membership Society

As a Leadership Institute alumnus, you can help to advance the work of The Institute by investing in our community's most important asset - people! Your gift and membership enable The Institute to provide programming and scholarships for current participants (just like you) in all three of our programs as well as engagement opportunities for more than 2,500 alumni. Join today at gdmli.com/membership.

Board of Governors and Committees

Our board of governors and committees are the lifeline of The Institute. We fight above our weight as an organization because people give their talents and time to continually evolve our programming and the impact we make on Greater Des Moines.

Board of Governors

Serve as part of the governing body of The Institute. The following positions are open to new program graduates. You must complete an application to be considered for a board position. Most positions have a 3-year term (Chair-Elect, Chair, Ambassador).

Treasurer-Elect: Works with the Treasurer to set the financial policy for The Institute. Works with board members to develop the budget and prepares/maintains monthly financial reports.

Governance Chair-Elect: Works with the Governance Chair to oversee development and implementation of The Institute's policies, procedures and by-laws. Maintains the organizational chart, including the slate of officers on an annual basis.

Secretary: Provides and maintains documentation of all board and executive committee meetings. This position serves two years as Secretary and one year as Ambassador.



Committees

More than 100 Leadership Institute graduates and community members contribute to our committees. Get hands on experience shaping Institute programming and contribute to our vision of a thriving community for all.

Alumni Committee

Plans events for alumni, providing meaningful opportunities to continue to learn and stay engaged with The Institute and the community. Responsible for executing events such as Alumni Exclusives, Dialogue 515, Pop-ups, and Honors.

Community Connect Committee (typically reserved for Community Connect graduates)

Evaluates and improves the curriculum to achieve the learning goals of the class members. Leads the selection process and serves as a group of liaisons for program participants and mentors.

Community Leadership Program Curriculum Committee (typically reserved for Community Leadership Program graduates)

Develops, implements, and evaluates the curriculum to achieve the learning goals of the class members. Leads the nomination and selection process of participants.

Community Leadership Program Class Project Committee (typically reserved for Community Leadership Program graduates)

Identifies class projects, develops a scope of practice and timeline, and guides the projects to achieve the learning goals of the class members.

Development Committee

Build relationships, secures corporate sponsorships, identifies grant opportunities, promotes individual giving, and grows membership in the 1982 Society to ensure a solid financial foundation for The Institute.

Equity and Inclusion Committee

Ensures equity and Inclusion permeates, impacts and improves all areas of the Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute, including program recruitment, curriculum evaluation, and alumni engagement.

Youth Leadership Initiative

Develops, implements, and evaluates the curriculum to achieve the learning goals of the students. Leads the selection process and serves as a group of liaisons and role models for program participants.