



## WHAT IS McLEOD FOR TOMORROW?

**McLeod For Tomorrow is an organization created to renew and enhance the leadership skills of community leaders and employees that live or work in McLeod County.**

**McLeod For Tomorrow as an organization** was begun in 2007 by our County Administration and by the University of Minnesota Extension's Center for Leadership & Civic Engagement staff. In the beginning, McLeod For Tomorrow was operated under the umbrella of the county, but has since stepped away to be on its own, now governed by its own Board of Directors, advised by its alumni, and served by one employee. It is a 501c3 non-profit entity.

**In addition to the Leadership Class:** In an effort to raise awareness and show community support, McLeod For Tomorrow hosts two annual events; Winterfest and the Glow Run, and participates in the Adopt A Highway program. To excite interest in our high school age youth, there is also a Student Leadership Program which reaches high school students from communities across McLeod County.

**More About the Leadership Class:** Adults who live or work in McLeod County are eligible to apply for acceptance into the program. We use an application process to ensure a balance of ages, gender, community representation, etc. Maximum class size is 24.

The class meets nine times, one eight- hour day each month, September thru May. Each month, the class meets in a different community within the county.

Part of each class day is spent on leadership skills, taught by U of M Extension Educators. Another part of each day is spent learning about the host community, its history or other interesting facts. As often as possible, there is a local speaker and tours of several points of interest or major businesses within that community.

**The Leadership Topics** are: Understanding your Leadership Style (in-depth review of the Myers-Briggs Personality Types), Committees That Work, Visionary Leadership, Ethical Leadership, Leading Through Change, Dealing with Conflict, Understanding the Generations, Finding your Strengths (Strengthsfinder), Meaningful Conversations using the World Café Method, Re-Writing (Understanding) the Rural Narrative, and McLeod County Economics, .

### **How do I find more information and/or apply?**

See our Website ([www.mcleodfortomorrow.com](http://www.mcleodfortomorrow.com)) for more information and to find our APPLICATION. Or email our Program Coordinator (Sharon Hoesel) at [MFT501c3@gmail.com](mailto:MFT501c3@gmail.com). Applications are due July 15, 2018.