



## **LEADERSHIP CILB**

### **CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING OF BROWARD**

#### **Class XI / 2022-2023 PROGRAM YEAR APPLICATION**

The Center for Independent Living of Broward (CILB) is pleased to offer a special leadership development opportunity for dedicated individuals with disabilities.

This is a very unique and progressive program serving Broward County with the objective to create leaders and advocates within the disability community. The program builds a network of community leaders with disabilities while simultaneously developing their personal and professional abilities. This team of leaders will join part of a growing leadership network that is becoming a powerful force for Broward's disabled community.

## Program Information and Application Instructions

### **CILB Mission:**

*"Developing disability advocates in Broward County through education, engagement, awareness, and community impact."*

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Dear Leadership CILB Applicant:

Congratulations on your decision to apply to the Leadership CILB program! Leadership CILB offers you an opportunity to improve your leadership ability and develop the knowledge and skills to become a strong disability advocate.

The annual leadership program begins with an Opening Retreat in September. The following monthly Program Days will expose participants to the competencies necessary for strong leadership and advocacy and allow them to network with community leaders. During the program year, participants also work together on a community project designed to put their leadership into practice. The program culminates with a Graduation Reception in May where the graduates mingle with Leadership alumni.

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters and corporate sponsorship, we are able to offer scholarships to program participants that cover the program cost so there is no cost to those selected to participate in the program.

Program graduates are afforded special networking and educational opportunities.

#### **Eligible participants must:**

- Have a disability
- Commit to full participation and active involvement in the program (Opening Retreat, monthly Program Days, community project activities, and Graduation)
- Arrange for their own transportation to and from Program Day sites and other program meeting locations
- Be willing to be an ambassador of CILB and spokesperson for disability issues

Before beginning the application, **please read the entire application packet carefully** in order to ensure that you do not have any conflicts with the dates listed or program requirements.

Should you have any questions regarding the program or application process, please do not hesitate to contact Program Director Dr. Jené Kapela by phone at (305) 332-6688 or by email at [jene@jenekapela.com](mailto:jene@jenekapela.com).

## Leadership CILB Application Timeline and Selection Process

Before beginning the application, please read the entire application packet carefully in order to ensure that you do not have any conflicts with the program requirements or dates listed.

Fill out the application form completely. All applications must be submitted via email to [jene@jenekapela.com](mailto:jene@jenekapela.com).

Leadership CILB is committed to cultural, geographical, racial, ethnic, professional, and economic diversity and considers all applicants who have demonstrated leadership skills and an interest in serving as an advocate for the disabled community.

All applications will be reviewed by the Leadership CILB Selection Committee. Applicants will be notified of the status of their application by email.

### Timeline:

<b>By August 31, 2022</b>	Early application deadline
<b>September, 2022</b>	Applicants notified of acceptance status;  Applications accepted while additional space is available and notifications regarding selection will be sent on a rolling basis
	<b>APPLICATION CHECKLIST:</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Review program requirements carefully and confirm availability to participate on program dates listed  <input type="checkbox"/> Complete and submit application to <a href="mailto:jene@jenekapela.com">jene@jenekapela.com</a> ; include headshot-style photo in email with completed application  <input type="checkbox"/> You will receive a confirmation email within 48 hours. If you do not receive a confirmation email, contact Jené Kapela at (305) 332-6688.



## **2022-2023 Calendar of Dates\***

### **Opening Retreat**

Thursday, September 22, 2022  
10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### **Program Days**

The Program Days are scheduled on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., although changes may be made based on a specific day's itinerary.

Dates for 2022-2023 are as follows:

- October 20
- November 17
- December 15
- January 19
- February 16
- March 16
- April 20

### **Graduation**

May 9, 16, or 23 (exact date TBD), 2023  
(Evening Reception)

Note: The Opening Retreat and Graduation Reception are mandatory components of the program.

***\*Dates are tentative until confirmed with program acceptance***



## Leadership CILB Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**(IMPORTANT: Our communication takes place electronically.)**

**Emergency Contact Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Who referred you to the Leadership CILB program?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** This information will be used to help plan our program activities if you are selected as a class member.

**What is the nature of your disability? Do you require any specific accommodations to participate in the program?**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Food Preference:**

We provide lunch on all program days. We will do our best to fulfill any special requests (check all that apply below).

☐ No Preference

☐ Vegetarian

☐ Vegan

☐ Kosher

**Polo Shirt Size (circle one below):**

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**Please write your answers below or attach your typed answers on a separate sheet of paper, responding to the following questions. Please limit your response to each question to 300 words.**

1. Why do you want to participate in this program? Please be as specific as you can.
2. What characteristics do you believe are most important in leadership? Why? How have you demonstrated these characteristics in your own life?

## **PROGRAM CONSENT FORM**

**Please read the following statements below before signing. All signatures must be complete in order for this application to be processed.**

To graduate from Leadership CILB, a participant is expected to attend all program activities.\* Program activities include (see calendar of dates for specific meeting dates and times):

1. **Opening Retreat** in September
2. **Program Day sessions** (10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.), scheduled once a month from October - April
3. Participation in the **community project group** process
4. **Miscellaneous Activities**: other activities may be required as part of the program curriculum
5. **Graduation Reception** in May

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CILB recognizes that emergencies do arise and that as a result a participant may not be able to attend all of the required components of the program. However, attendance at certain events is mandatory as being integral to the program. Accordingly, the following policy shall apply to attendance:

**Opening Retreat and Graduation** – **attendance is mandatory** at these events. (On a case-by-case basis, a participant may be allowed to miss these events and continue in the program.)

**Program Days** – a participant who **misses more than two (2) program days** (or substantial parts thereof) during the year may be dismissed from the program upon review of circumstances.

**Notification** – in all instances, a participant is required to notify the Program Director of the inability to attend a program or event.

I understand the following commitments and agree to be bound by them in signing this application; I understand the purpose of the Leadership CILB Program. If selected, I will devote the time and resources necessary to complete the program. I understand that I am expected to support Leadership CILB activities upon graduation from the Program.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email completed form to [jene@jenekapela.com](mailto:jene@jenekapela.com).

**You will receive a confirmation email within 48 hours. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please contact Jené by phone at (305) 332-6688.**