

Leadership Spokane Annual Report 2016-2017



Mission Results



Leadership Training Hours

Engaged Leaders

Service Hours

Events

- 2 Leadership Connections
- 21 Training Days
- 8 Service Days
- Fifth Annual Gala
- 35th Commencement
- 6 Alumni Gatherings

We Deliver Dedicated Leaders

Our Vision:

Inspire diverse individuals to become empowered leaders and lifelong trustees for a stronger Spokane

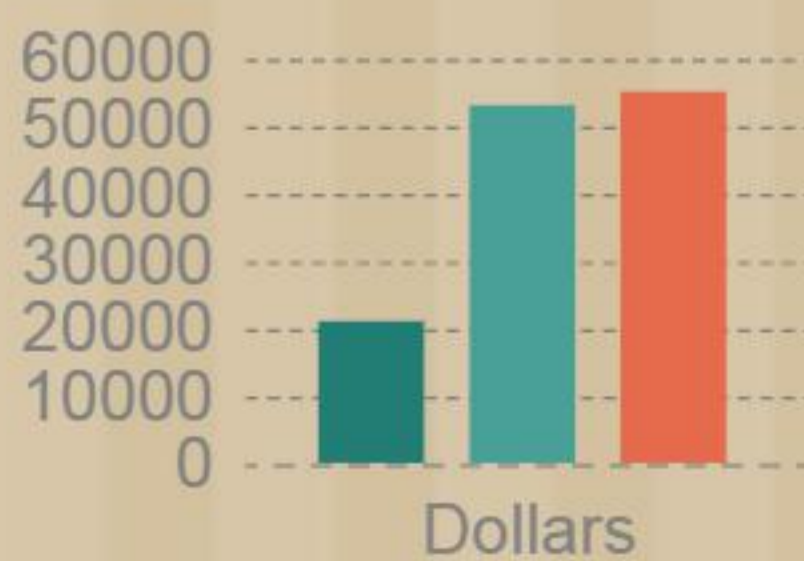
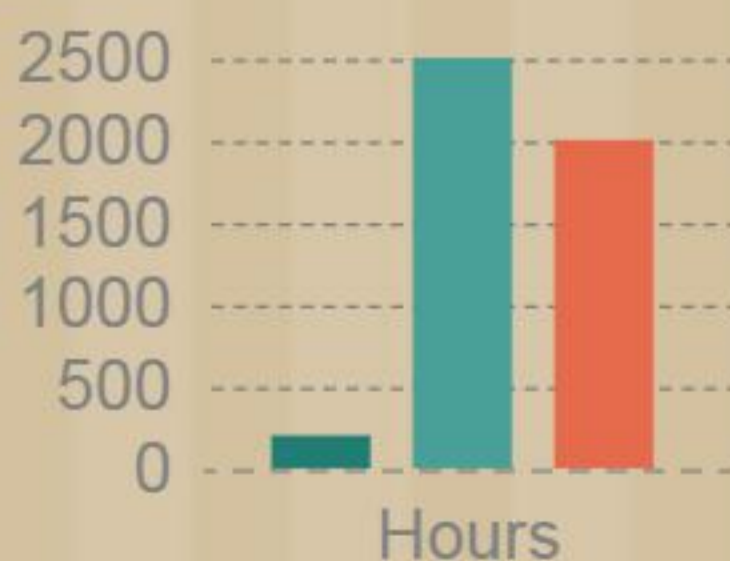


Lifetime Members

Community Service

Endowment Growth

Annual Revenues



'15 '16 '17

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2015 2016 2017

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Our Mission:

Deliver dedicated leaders that collaborate in order to grow an active and diverse network that serves and strengthens our communities

Looking Ahead to 2018

- 1 Improve sponsorship opportunities
- 2 Succession planning
- 3 Long-term financial stability
- 4 Keep momentum going
- 5 Recruiting 2019

Year in Review



Youth

Our 2017 youth class hit several milestones: 1) Our 600th graduate; 2) our largest class (42); 3) significant geographic diversity Freeman to Deer Park, Medical Lake to Spokane Valley; and 4) all graduated which had not happened for years. Additionally, Horizon Credit Union worked with Washington Business Week to present four scholarships for the summer business event and our four service projects were impactful.

"YLS has inspired me to be the responsible servant leader that I know I can be. I will use the learned skills to be the best leader to our community."

- Maggie Bailey, Freeman High School

Adult

The 2017 adult class embraced the year. Our tour averages were up and two classmates attended nearly all, and we added new tours, including Spokane International Airport and Daybreak. The popularity of the year spilled out into bountiful recruiting for both adult and youth for the 2018 classes which are now overflowing with excited recruits.

"Leadership Spokane helped me transition from somebody who lives in Spokane to a full, active community member and connected me to the people, places and things that make Spokane wonderful."

- Lisa Shier, Lydig Construction

Message from Executive Director

I am happy to report that the Classes of 2017 graduated from a very good year. Previous years were very good years as well, but the difference this year was we as a Board of Directors and we as a staff hit ALL our marks, and in most cases, exceeded them across the board. To begin, the staff worked as a smoothly coordinated team to graduate 59 adults and 42 youth — 101 leaders — the largest to date. The best news is, these 101 leaders are dedicated to making a better Spokane.

All of our leaders sessions were textbook in design, both Leadership Connections (in partnership with Gonzaga and Whitworth) had over 100 registrants and met with rave reviews, and our Alumni Board sponsored an education session with the Spokane Police Department, an Education screening night of "Most Likely to Succeed" and a 2017 party hosted by Winston & Cashatt. The adult class split into four groups to devise service projects supporting organizations such as Christ's Kitchen, Catholic Charities, VOA, Transitions and Global Neighborhood, and the youth helped Vanessa Behan, The Salvation Army, 2nd Harvest and Blessings Under the Bridge. In total, our 101 leaders contributed 2,000 service hours to the community, and our alumni helped with three other service projects in the spring, supporting KSPS and area low-income residents.

The sold-out 2017 January Gala was emblematic of the amazing year, earning \$56,000 — double of the previous years — to support scholarships and our great youth program. Our June commencement ceremony where Larry Spears, one of the modern fathers of servant leadership, gave the keynote, ended the year on a high. 2017 was a good year, but it was a good year because so many came forward to say they believe in leadership. Our finances ended up \$45,000 more than previous years, being the best ever financial year for the program. We look upon 2016-2017 as a strong chapter, cementing a solid foundation that now we can build upon. A record 66 adult applications and 57 youth applications for the 2018 class are proof we remain on a straight and true course, guided by our noble quest to serve Spokane and serve others. We are confident 2018 can be just as strong — our motto now ... the Sky's the Limit!

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