



## RISING WOMEN LEADERS OF WEST MICHIGAN Program Application

Please return your completed application to Lizzie Williams (williamsl@GrandRapids.org) no later than **January 13, 2012**.

### PROGRAM GOAL

Provide opportunities for emerging women business leaders in the community to connect to board and community service opportunities.

### PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Development and expression of a strong personal brand
- Evolve leadership abilities through acquisition of measurable new skills
- Participation in a non-profit team project with measurable outcomes
- Non-profit board certification
- Prepared to serve on a community committee or board at the conclusion of the program
- Capacity to transfer learning to lead more effectively in their organization/careers
- An expanded network and learning from current successful community leaders

### PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

- Open to self-evaluation and feedback
- Willing to invest significant time and effort into their personal growth and development
- Passionate about community service and leadership
- Supportive of their colleagues' growth and success
- Initiative and desire to take actions out of their comfort zone

**PLEASE NOTE:** Applications must be typed or printed in legible handwriting with black ink, and suitable for photocopying. Answers must fit into the space allocated on the original form in font no less than 10 point. Applications must be signed by the candidate and the candidate's employer. FAXED applications will NOT be accepted.

Applications must be received by January 13, 2012. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Applicants will be notified if they have been selected for an interview by January 20, 2012. The selection process is highly competitive; it is not unusual for qualified candidates to apply more than once before being selected for a Rising Women Leaders class.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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

Preferred First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Mailing Address (select one): Home Work

### EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

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

Work Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Employed Since: \_\_\_\_\_



**COMMITMENT**

Space is limited to 12 members and the program is offered at no cost. If selected, **100% participation is expected**. Only one participant per company will be chosen. Absenteeism will result in your being dropped from the course. If you are unable to make a commitment, it is not in your best interest to apply at this time.

A majority of the sessions will take place from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM on the second Tuesday of the month, from February 2012 – November 2012. The only sessions that will take place outside the above mentioned time frame are on 6/12 from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM and on 11/15 from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM.

If selected, this employee will have my full support for the time required to participate in the Rising Woman Leaders program.

If selected, I will participate and devote the time required to complete the Rising Woman Leaders program.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer's Signature (if applicable)

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Applicant's Signature

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Title Date

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