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**GREATER YAKIMA**

*Chamber of Commerce*



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The Yakima Chamber Foundation is proud to announce the 32nd graduating class of Leadership Yakima on June 21st, 2018. The 22 graduates of the 2017-18 class join the preceding 756 graduates since the program began in 1986.

**Leadership Yakima Class of 2018**

Arlene Fisher Maurer - City of Union Gap  
Stephanie Arnold - Pexco Aerospace, Inc.  
Becky Willms - Tri-Ply Construction, LLC  
Andrew Holt - Downtown Association of Yakima  
Guillermo Mattox - Wheatland Bank  
Megan Kleck -Field Group  
Elissa Southward - Virginia Mason Memorial  
Morgan Birkby - Perry Technical Institute  
Mary Lynne Brewington - Children's Village  
Jared Fair -Yakima Valley Libraries  
Anita Quintana - Pacific Northwest University  
Josette Gonzales - Northwest Harvest  
Melissa Vickers - Yakima Valley Libraries  
DJ Henn - Rent Ready Property Management  
Gregg Tate - John I. Haas  
James Todd Daley - WSDOT  
Lupita Carillo - Safe Yakima Valley  
Tina Powers - Tree Top, Inc  
Joshua Jackson - Rod's House  
Michael Uhlman - HLA Engineering  
Holly Marie Siler - Second Harvest Inland NW  
Chad Workman - Brookside Funeral Home & Crematory

Offered by the Yakima Chamber Foundation, Leadership Yakima is a premier program that works to strengthen and educate community leaders by providing participants with in-depth insights into a variety of issues impacting residents of the Yakima Valley. Participants learn about our valley's history, learn many reasons to be proud of our valley, build relationships with their classmates, and learn how our community gets things done. The program was designed to teach our current and emerging leaders the skills necessary to serve our diverse community and provides an opportunity to discover many different organizations and agencies that need volunteers and board members.

Many of our graduates move into executive leadership, entrepreneurial, non-profit and elected positions throughout the community since graduating from Leadership Yakima.

You may apply for yourself or your employer can sponsor your attendance. Leadership Yakima is a great way for employers to secure employee investment in our valley.

*Apply now for the Class of 2019 at [www.yakima.org](http://www.yakima.org)*

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Mission Statement: The Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce is an organization that promotes pride in our diverse communities through positive, active leadership aimed at creating a cohesive, successful business climate in our County.

The mission of the Yakima Chamber Foundation is to provide outreach resources and direct services to the Yakima area including education and leadership development.