

Our Leadership Program

In keeping with our Mission and in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation (2014), the Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation Board has the responsibility "To develop women's leadership capacity-building programs that are of the highest quality and that are consistent with Catholic values by establishing and maintaining partnerships with key educational institutions" (Objective 1).

Developed with key educators, selected Canadian Catholic women will participate in three modules, both online and face-to-face, on topics such as:

- Understanding Self and Leadership
- Transformative Leadership for Social Change
- Media Training
- Communication skills
- Catholic Leadership Theory
- Catholic Teaching on Bioethics, Moral Issues, Catholic Social Issues, Ecology
- Ethics and Spirituality
- Conflict Resolution

The program will be women-centered and will feature numerous networking opportunities along with a mentorship plan designed to strengthen each woman's ability to grow.

After completing the program, women will have the skills they need to make a tremendous difference in their community whether they are speaking on behalf of an organization, fundraising for a local community group or serving as a director of a major corporation.

Our History

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation was established in August 2012 through the vision of the Sisters of Service and the Catholic Women's League of Canada. These two groups saw the need to transform the leadership landscape in Canada through the education and training of women to serve in leadership capacities in their church, in their communities and in their work world. Together these two groups provided the initial seed funding needed to create an endowment fund for the Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation. Presently the Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation has launched a major fundraising campaign to ensure the financial stability of the Foundation to provide leadership programs.

The Foundation was incorporated 2014 under the Canada Not-for Profit Corporations Act and as a private Foundation under the Canadian Income Tax.

A financial contribution to the Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation will help us to build future Catholic women leaders.

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Our Vision

Our vision is a just, merciful, and compassionate world nurtured by the genius of women



Our Mission

Our mission is to fund leadership education that inspires Catholic women to be transformational and influential leaders where they live and work

Our Objectives:

1. To develop women's leadership capacity-building programs that are of the highest quality and that are consistent with Catholic values by establishing and maintaining partnerships with key educational institutions.
2. To identify promising women leaders who will benefit from leadership education that builds on their lived experiences.
3. To secure financial and human resources in support of Catholic women's leadership education and activities.
4. To establish and maintain a national network of support for Catholic women leaders.
5. To develop and implement a communication plan to raise awareness about the importance of women's leadership.

Candidates for Our Leadership Program

The program is open to all Canadian Catholic women, selected for such key leadership qualities as vision, determination, compassion, creativity, optimism and a positive and collaborative work ethic.

The initial groups participating in the Leadership Program will be small to ensure that each woman has a valuable, in-depth learning experience. It will be a time when emphasis will be on evaluation of the program to ensure that it will continue to be of highest quality.

Up-to-date information regarding criteria for candidates, application process and selection is updated on our website www.cwlfcanada.ca as soon as it is available. Please check our website regularly.

