



INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS & VOLUNTEER HOURS

Please note that these requirements will begin after our Opening Retreat

Each class member should gain an understanding of the many functions that drive the growth and development of Rutherford County. Through these experiences, you are encouraged to engage in a wide range of meaningful activities taking place throughout the county.

In addition, all participants are required to complete 20 hours of volunteer service. Ten hours may be completed individually, and ten hours will be completed with your assigned small group. These components are a required part of the program.

You are required to participate in the activities outlined below. Some may naturally fit within your professional or personal schedule. Credit may be received for each activity only once. If you are already participating in or currently serving with one of the listed choice activities, it will not qualify for credit. The requirement is designed to encourage new experiences and broaden your engagement within the community.

1. **CITY or TOWN COUNCIL** meeting (not a committee meeting)
2. **RUTHERFORD COUNTY COMMISSION** meeting – (not a committee meeting)
3. **RIDE-ALONG** with an officer in the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office, Murfreesboro, or Smyrna Police Departments. This will be scheduled for you in March -April 2027.

GOVERNMENT – Select and attend two (from the *numbered* choices); this is in addition to the above

1. Attend a County Commission Committee meeting
 2. Attend a City/Town Council Committee meeting
 3. Attend a Planning Commission meeting – county or any municipality
 4. Attend a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting – county or any municipality
 5. Attend a Legislative Session or Political Forum
 6. Attend a Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport Authority board meeting
- *Other Governmental meetings will be considered

EDUCATION – Must attend a City or County School Board meeting

LEGAL – Must attend a court session – General Sessions, Circuit, Chancery, Juvenile, Drug Recovery Court, DUI Court, Veterans Court, or Safe Baby Graduation

BUSINESS – Select one

1. Attend a Chamber of Commerce business program (excludes Business After Hours and Business Before Hours)
2. Attend a new business enhancement/training/continuing education program (company sponsored acceptable)
3. Attend a Chamber Workforce Development industry council meeting
4. Attend a Tennessee Small Business Development Center workshop

NON-PROFIT/COMMUNITY SERVICE/CULTURAL ARTS – Select two

1. Participate in or coordinate a new community project
2. Volunteer with a new organization
3. Attend a cultural arts performance in Rutherford County
4. Visit a historic site in Rutherford County
5. Ride Murfreesboro Transit public transportation

****If you participate in any additional activity that you believe should be considered, please let us know**