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Because Home Matters

Resident Leadership Training Program Application

2026 Cohort

Thank you for your interest in joining the 2026 NEST Resident Leadership Training (RLT) Program! This transformative eight-course series is designed to equip you with practical leadership tools and strategies to become a powerful advocate for your community. Together, we'll explore how your lived experience, voice, and vision can shape the future of Waterbury.

Your voice matters.

Your leadership matters.

Your participation matters.

We're excited to walk alongside you in this journey of growth, connection, and impact.

As an RLT participant, you're not just joining a program — you're stepping into a network of changemakers.

Together with your cohort, you'll also have the opportunity to design and lead a community project — something rooted in real needs, driven by your collective vision, and built to make a lasting impact right here at home.

As a participant in the RLT Program, your full presence is essential. Each of the eight sessions builds on the last, and together they form the foundation of your leadership journey.

We ask all enrolled participants to attend every course. Not only will you receive a certificate of completion, but your consistent participation also ensures you're eligible to represent Waterbury at a national leadership conference — a powerful opportunity to share your story and learn from others doing the work across the country.

Please fax or email your completed application to 203.757.6496, mya@nestct.org or mail to 193 Grand Street, 3rd floor, Waterbury, CT 06702.

NOTE* Submitting your application does not guarantee your enrollment. Your application will be reviewed and NEST will contact you if accepted. All applications are due by January 31st, 2026. Your participation in this training is free. For more information about the program, please contact Mya Gray at 203.753.1896 or mya@nestct.org



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CHARTERED MEMBER



Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** / /
First _____ Last _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Address: _____ Street _____ Apt. _____ City, State _____ Zip _____

Contact Information: () - () -
Home Telephone Mobile Email address

Occupation: _____

Please answer the following question (use another sheet of paper, if you need more room):

1. How many years have you lived in your community?

2. How did you learn about the Resident Leadership Program?

3. Community Involvement - list ways you are engaged in your community:

4. What motivates you to want to strengthen your leadership skills?

5. What skills are you most interested in gaining through the Resident Leadership Program?

6. Do you have children? If yes how many, and what are the ages?



7. How will you use this leadership training to benefit your community?

By signing this application you understand this is a leadership program and agree to be present at all 8 classes of training.

Applicant signature

Date



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