



THE SOUTHWEST DREAM TEAM PRESENTS
FUTURE DREAMERS
CIVIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

About the Southwest Dream Team

Founded in 2008, the Southwest Dream Team is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that supports economic and community development in South and Southwest Louisville. Our mission is to spearhead asset-based community engagement by connecting stakeholders to identify and facilitate economic development opportunities that lead to a unified vision and quality of life for South and Southwest Louisville.

About the Future Dreamers Civic Leadership Academy

The Future Dreamers Civic Leadership Academy brings together diverse emerging leaders who have a stake in the success of South and Southwest Louisville. Each leader cohort spends six weeks exploring the South Points Scenic Area and engaging with local decision-makers build to power in their communities, improve social cohesion, and become lifelong advocates and ambassadors for the region.

The program curriculum is designed to guide cohort members to identify untapped potential in South and Southwest Louisville, make connections with decision makers and with each other, and equip them with storytelling tools to change negative narratives that impede economic growth of the region.

Program sessions are held in various locations throughout that are significant to South and Southwest Louisville community. To date, Future Dreamers has graduated 40 participants from 13 Louisville Metro zip codes.

Sample Program Overview

- Session 1 – Asset-Based Community Development workshop with the Center for Neighborhoods, and networking with Future Dreamers alumni at Iroquois Amphitheater.
- Session 2 – Culture, Arts, and Tourism scavenger hunt around the South Points Scenic Area.
- Session 3 – Local Government panel with local elected officials about how to successfully partner with local government on community projects at the Southwest Regional Library.
- Session 4 – Local Economy panel with local small business owners and Louisville Forward representatives about business resources and the local business eco-system at Colonial Gardens.
- Session 5 – Local Development panel with for-profit and non-profit developers and advocates about how to instigate and engage in neighborhood development efforts at the Shively Community Center.
- Session 6 – Graduation and leaders share their pitch for South Louisville at the Horine Conference Center in Jefferson Memorial Forest.





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Spring 2022 Sponsorship Opportunities

The Spring 2022 Future Dreamers cohort will take place on Tuesdays, 5:30 – 8 pm, May 10 – June 14, 2022.

We invite you to invest in South and Southwest Louisville's best asset, our community members, and elevate emerging leaders who will be life-long advocates for the region. South and Southwest Louisville is often underrepresented in leadership programs and positions in the Louisville Metro area. Your support of the Future Dreamers Civic Leadership Academy provides an accessible entry point for community members in our target neighborhoods to participate in public and civic engagement.

Presenting Sponsor - \$2500 (1 available)

- Recognition for providing five (5) scholarships for community members to attend the program
- Quote from sponsor on program website and social media post
- Invitation to speak to cohort during program
- Name and logo featured in all program advertising, with link to company sites on online promotions
- Name and logo featured on all participant materials, and mention throughout the program's duration
- Invitation to attend program graduation and future networking events

Session Sponsor - \$500 (6 available)

- Recognition for sponsoring one (1) program session
- Invitation to address cohort during sponsored session
- Name and logo featured in all program advertising, with link to company sites on online promotions
- Name and logo featured on all participant materials, and mention throughout the program's duration
- Invitation to attend program graduation and future networking events

Partner Sponsor - \$150

- Recognition for providing one (1) scholarship for a community member to attend the program
- Name listed on program website
- Name all participant materials
- Invitation to attend program graduation and future networking events

Please contact Rebecca Katz at rebecca@swdreamteam.org or 502-230-8008 if you would like to become a sponsor or to discuss a customized sponsorship package.

