

Leadership Advisory Board Position Description

Title: Texas Extension County Leadership Advisory Board Member

Leadership Advisory Board Advisor:
County Extension Agent (County Coordinator)

Purpose of the Leadership Advisory Board:
Extension's grassroots programming effort relies on the connection the agency has with Leadership Advisory Boards. LABs are critical to Extension's ability to provide locally relevant educational programs; a strong, diverse LAB is vital for each county.

Benefits of serving on the Leadership Advisory Board:

- Be a significant part of the educational process
- See the impact the county Extension program has in the county
- See the positive change in program participants
- Experience personal growth from participating in this vital community effort

Responsibilities of the Leadership Advisory Board: The Leadership Advisory Board develops a long-term vision for the county Extension program, advocates for and interprets the program throughout the county, and helps develop resources for the county program. It is responsible for the "big picture" of county programming.

- Reviewing the county Extension program's mission and purpose and the local program's goals, objectives and primary audiences served
- Developing resources to ensure that high-quality programs can be implemented

- Ensuring that legal and ethical integrity and accountability are maintained
- Monitoring and strengthening the educational program
- Enhancing the county Extension program's public standing

Qualifications and special skills:

- Resides in the community or county
- Is interested in more than one area of Extension programming
- Sees the community from a broad, general perspective
- Represents one of the county's targeted audiences
- Has good visioning and communication skills
- Is interested in the quality of life in the county

Time required: The Leadership Advisory Board meets two or three times for a total of 4 to 10 hours each year. An additional 10 hours or so may be needed to carry out a member's individual responsibilities. Serving as an officer may require more time, depending on the position.

Resources and support available: The county Extension staff will provide the training and support you need to be a successful board member. Additional information is available to you at <http://texasvolunteer.tamu.edu/>

If interested, respond to: Your county Extension office