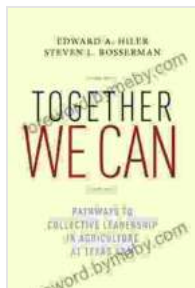


Pathways to Collective Leadership in Agriculture: A Texas A&M AgriLife Success Story



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Empowering Diverse Voices for a Sustainable Future



Agriculture, the backbone of our society, faces unprecedented challenges and opportunities in the 21st century. To address these challenges and seize the opportunities, the industry requires innovative leadership that embraces diversity, fosters collaboration, and promotes sustainable practices. Recognizing this need, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has developed the groundbreaking Pathways to Collective Leadership program, a transformative initiative that is empowering diverse voices and cultivating collaborative leadership in the agricultural sector.

The Pathways to Collective Leadership Journey

The Pathways to Collective Leadership program is a comprehensive leadership development program designed for individuals from all backgrounds and levels of experience in the agricultural industry. The program provides participants with the knowledge, skills, and tools they

need to become effective leaders who can drive positive change in their communities and beyond.

The program is structured around four core pillars:

- **Personal Leadership:** Developing self-awareness, effective communication skills, and a strong sense of purpose.
- **Collective Leadership:** Fostering collaboration, building trust, and creating inclusive environments.
- **Systems Thinking:** Understanding the interconnectedness of agricultural systems and developing solutions that benefit the entire food system.
- **Change Management:** Leading change initiatives, navigating resistance, and creating sustainable outcomes.

Impact and Benefits of the Pathways Program

PATHWAY TO LEADERSHIP

The Pathway to Leadership program is an eight-month program that provides students the opportunity to work under the guidance of IAND committees to develop their skills in one of five focus areas. The goal of this program is to empower and instill leadership qualities in our future dietetics professionals.

- 1 DIVERSITY & INCLUSION**
Identify best practices to support diversity and inclusion and develop resources for members.
- 2 COMMUNICATIONS**
Support the IAND brand and develop strategies for information dissemination through various media outlets and IAND publications.
- 3 PUBLIC POLICY**
Engage with lawmakers to promote food and nutrition policies and review legislative bills.
- 4 ORGANIZATIONAL PLANNING**
Learn how to operate a not-for-profit organization! Review and interpret data to successfully formulate and execute strategies while ensuring alignment with organization mission, vision and goals.
- 5 COUNCIL ON PROFESSIONAL ISSUES**
Assist in planning professional education opportunities, including opportunities at conferences and special events.

Students selected for this opportunity will be reimbursed for membership and IAND Spring Assembly.
 Visit: bit.ly/pathway2leadership / Email: pathway2leadership20@gmail.com

The Pathways to Collective Leadership program has had a profound impact on participants and the agricultural industry as a whole. Here are some of the key benefits of the program:

- **Empowered Leaders:** Participants emerge from the program with enhanced leadership skills and a deep understanding of their role in shaping the future of agriculture.

- **Enhanced Collaboration:** The program fosters collaboration and networking opportunities, building bridges between different stakeholders in the industry.
- **Sustainable Solutions:** Graduates of the program are equipped with systems thinking skills, enabling them to develop innovative and sustainable solutions to agricultural challenges.
- **Increased Diversity:** The program actively seeks to include diverse voices from all backgrounds, creating a more equitable and inclusive agricultural sector.
- **Community Transformation:** Participants use their newfound knowledge and skills to make positive contributions to their communities, addressing local issues and promoting economic development.

Shaping the Future of Agricultural Leadership

The Pathways to Collective Leadership program is not just a training program; it is a movement that is transforming the way leadership is practiced in agriculture. By empowering diverse voices and fostering collaboration, the program is building a new generation of leaders who are equipped to address the complex challenges facing the industry and create a sustainable future for all.

As the agricultural sector continues to evolve, the need for collective leadership will only increase. The Pathways to Collective Leadership program is a beacon of hope, demonstrating that by working together, we can create a more prosperous, equitable, and sustainable agricultural system for generations to come.

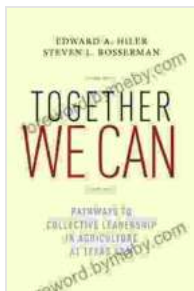
Join the Pathways to Collective Leadership Journey

If you are passionate about agriculture and believe in the power of collective leadership, we invite you to join the Pathways to Collective Leadership program. Applications are now open for the next cohort.

To learn more about the program and how to apply, please visit the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service website or contact us at

Together, let's pave the way for a brighter future for agriculture and our communities.

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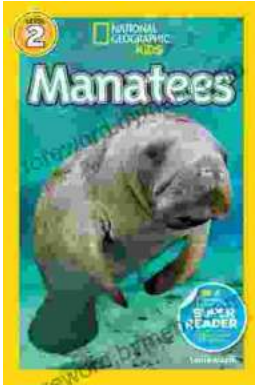


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