

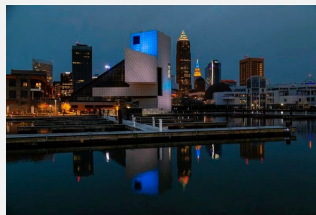


Quarterly Newsletter September 2023

Updates

*A newsletter for Legacy Leaders regarding projects and civic engagement.*

## From the Desk of Claudia Owens



Hello CLC Legacy Leaders!

I hope this correspondence finds you well. It has been a busy summer. We launched two projects: "For Your Encore" podcast series and the Age-Friendly Outdoor Recreational Trail

Guide. As we continue to move forward, we will be making connections and finding challenging civic activities to keep us involved.

### Vision Session Invite

#### **Please Join Us as We Envision the Future!**

We invite you to join us for a Legacy Leader's Visioning session as we explore meaningful ways for our Legacy Leaders to continue to have an impact on our community. We look forward to hearing your input.

**Please join me in the Community Room at The Foundry Community Rowing & Sailing Center (1831 Columbus Road, Cleveland, OH 44113) on Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm.** Free parking is available in the paved lot on the north side of the building. Enter through the main entrance off the parking lot.

Please invite your friends and former colleagues to learn how their experience and desire can support, direct, and envision the future.

Our Legacy Leader projects, or action teams will target high-level civic engagement needs designed to support flexible schedules and varied interests. Most importantly, Legacy Leaders will work to create opportunities to connect with other individuals and groups working to improve our area.

Please RSVP your attendance to me by Monday, October 23, 2023, at [cowens@cleveleads.org](mailto:cowens@cleveleads.org) or call: 216-592-2289.

## Civic Leadership Institute

If you, friends, or family members are looking to become refreshed and inspired by a wide variety of people, projects, and ideas moving Cleveland forward, Civic Leadership Institute (CLI) is an easy way.

Registration is open for our Fall 2023, Winter 2024, and Spring 2024 offerings. The Fall Session begins Thursday, October 12. For more information about CLI click [HERE](#).

## Updates From our Current Projects

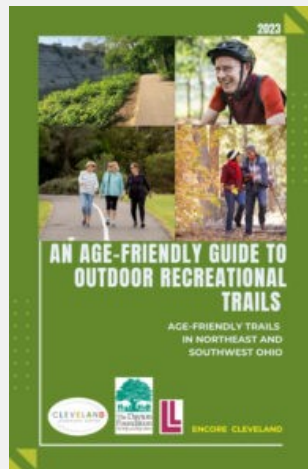
There are many initiatives happening at Cleveland Leadership Center and Legacy Leaders are working to support those efforts and continue providing ways for experienced leaders to remain connected and civically active in Cleveland. I invite you to continue working with CLC as a Legacy Leader.



### Legacy Leaders' podcast series "For Your Encore"

Listen to episodes of "For Your Encore" on Spotify or your favorite podcast platform. The next episode to be released in October is "Life Spaces." Traci McBride will discuss "We change, grow, and evolve. Why keep things that don't serve us, bring us joy, and reflect who we are now?"

If you are interested in recording a podcast, or have someone you would like or want us to interview, let me know.



While enjoying all the bright vibrant colors of Fall, the Age-Friendly Recreation Trail Guide can be a good reference for selecting an outdoor trail. This Cleveland Leadership Center's Legacy Leaders project created in partnership with The Dayton Foundation's Del Mar Encore Fellows and Encore Cleveland promotes the health benefits of recreational walking, jogging, and biking on trails throughout. The vision of this project was to identify outdoor recreational trails from Northeast to Southeast Ohio and to include the services and amenities available, maps, accessibility information, and directions to each trail.

We encourage you to use this guide as a personal tool and to engage others in accessing some of Ohio's beautiful outdoor age-friendly trails.

# Happenings around CLC

On Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> CLC is partnering with Trinity Cathedral to welcome CNN Hero and social justice advocate Rev. Becca Stevens to Cleveland. She will speak about her work healing and giving hope to women who are victims of human trafficking, domestic abuse, addiction, and those seeking re-entry. Becca is the founder of [Thistle Farms](#) in Nashville—an industry that employs women as they heal. Her work is nationally acclaimed, and she is a speaker in high demand. If you cannot join us for breakfast, you can hear Becca at the October 4th Leader Lunch Break.

LC 2022 visited Thistle Farms during their class trip to Nashville and were inspired and I am sure you will be, too.

## Details

What: Leadership Cleveland and Guests Breakfast

When: Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am (breakfast) 8 am (Program) 9:15 (adjourn)

Where: Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry, 4515 Superior Ave., Cleveland (parking across the street and on the street)

Register: (the cost is \$35 and seating is limited)

<https://www.cleveleads.org/event/lc-breakfast-with-becca-stevens-of-thistle-farms/>

## Leader Lunch Breaks

The Way Forward Leader Lunch Breaks are virtual discussions to help you stay on top of relevant community issues and happenings. Join us for the next two Wednesdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. See below for details:

Wednesday, October 4th from noon to 12:45 pm

**Becca Stevens, Founder, [Thistle Farms](#)**

**Transforming lives at Thistle Farms**

Can't make the breakfast on the 12th? Join us for our Leader Lunch Break on Wednesday, October 4th at noon to hear Becca Stevens share her work and the impact of Thistle Farms.

[REGISTER >](#)

Wednesday, October 11 from noon to 12:30 pm

**James DeRosa, Director of Mayor's Office of Capital Projects, City of Cleveland**

**A master plan for Cleveland's Parks and Recreation**

The City of Cleveland recently announced a 15-year master plan to provide, "equitable connections to quality parks and recreation activities." Hear why the City embarked on the master plan, insights into the planning process, what they've heard from the community listening sessions, and what's next.

[REGISTER >](#)

## Spark

**SPARK: Grit To Great**

Come to our annual leadership conference and bring others in your

network! SPARK is encouraging leaders to discover how embracing different perspectives, viewing challenges through a new lens, and turning failures into stepping stones fosters innovation. Effective leadership looks different than it did just a few years ago and the skills needed today are different as well. Spark is a way for you to gain those skills and learn how to deploy them, creating a culture of shared ideology and providing everyone with the tools and skills they need to be successful. Bonus, you can get all that in half a day and for only \$90 per person at Spark!

Register Today!

Date: Thursday, November 9th, 2023

Location: Cleveland State University Student Center

Times: 7:30 am to 1:30 pm

Cost: \$90

[See sessions + speakers >](#)

[Register yourself and your high performers today >](#)

## Save the Date for Accelerate

For those of you familiar with CLC's Accelerate, Legacy Leaders are needed to advise those submitting pitches and to work with the finalists as they seek to implement their innovative ideas. Our work with applicants and finalists supports our mission to shape the leaders and innovators of today to ensure a vibrant future. Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities to volunteer for Accelerate. And join us on Thursday, February 22, 2024, as we celebrate Accelerate's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

## Advanced Leadership Institute: Inspired by the Legacy of Carl and Louis Stokes



The ALI Class of 2024 cohort will begin its journey on Friday, October 6. With ALI, Legacy Leaders have an opportunity to learn more about Cleveland's current civic landscape and how Carl Stokes' then-radical, now commonplace, five pillars upended politics and shaped our city. Senior Fellows also mentor the Stokes Fellows (mid-career professionals) and Junior Fellows (Tri-C students).

Introducing the ALI 2024 Senior Fellows:

Susan Althans

Joe Brady

Rachel Carnell

Jay Foran

Orion Bell IV

Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis

Mary Anne Crampton

LaJean Ray

Our eight Senior Fellows join an amazing group of ALI 2018, 2020 and 2021 Senior Fellow alumni. We thank all ALI Sr. Fellow alumni for their support of the program and look forward to welcoming the new Sr. Fellows to ALI during their opening retreat!

*Claudia*

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## Invite Your Friends

Please share this newsletter and Legacy Leaders with your friends and colleagues. Encourage them to connect with me [cowens@clevelandleads.org](mailto:cowens@clevelandleads.org) to learn more.

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