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The Next Generation of Adams County Leaders Graduate From LEAD Metro North Program

Westminster, CO – Last week, the [Adams County Regional Economic Partnership \(AC-REP\)](#) celebrated twenty-three participants on completing LEAD Metro North, the 11-month leadership and professional development program.

The LEAD Metro North program provides participants with the opportunity to engage in rich leadership training to develop and enhance their careers, learn more about the Adams County economy and its industries, and build relationships with key community leaders.

One of the speakers was Adams County Commissioner Steve O’Dorisio, who took a brief moment to share his Top 20 tips and lessons learned from his own leadership journey with the class. In the spirit of the program, he encouraged graduates to become active participants in the community.

AC-REP prides itself on cultivating, growing and connecting leaders to better serve the Greater Adams County region. Selected participants of the 2023 LEAD Metro North class represent a broad and diverse cross-section of aspiring business, government, and nonprofit professionals who share a commitment to shaping the region’s future.

“Because of the robust curriculum that was designed for the LEAD class of 2023, we have had the privilege of meeting and interacting with the leaders of today and engaging with the leaders of tomorrow,” **said Natalie Martinez, Executive Director of the Westminster Legacy Foundation, 2023 LEAD Metro North graduate.**

Since the early 1980’s, the Metro North leadership programs have informed and educated more than 1,800 alumni leaders across the region. Later this year, AC-REP plans to launch a new alumni program to continue educating and supporting community leaders.

“AC-REP has the pleasure of convening and connecting diverse members of the community through this program each year, and we’re pleased to congratulate the class of 2023 on not only completing the program but stepping into the next phase of their careers. We look forward to seeing how these individuals become game changers in our region and beyond,” **said Lisa Hough, President & CEO of AC-REP.**

Applications for the 2023-2024 class will open in July on the AC-REP website.

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About the Adams County Regional Economic Partnership: AC-REP is a public/private, nonprofit economic development organization serving the Greater Adams County region with over 10,000 companies and just over half a million residents. Learn more at www.ac-rep.org



Class of 2023 graduation speakers – Gail Ahern, Chevron, Councilwoman Kathy Henson, Thornton, and Natalie Martinez, Westminster Legacy Foundation



Adams County Commissioner Steve O'Doriso addressing the Class of 2023