SUSTAINING LEADER MEMBERSHIP

Sustaining Leaders typically have 20+ years of experience with sought after business acumen and experience. These leaders are sought after by the decision makers in the city for advisory leadership from a business, civic and community perspective. Sustaining Leaders are found in the C-Suite and at the helm of highly successful entrepreneurial ventures. While every Sustaining Leader has a sphere of influence that could be maximized for his or her own business interests, each of them has a deep commitment to promote sustainable corporate leadership and business growth for the Black business community as a whole. Accordingly, you will find Sustaining Leaders utilizing their professional expertise to lead civic and community activities for the betterment of the entire African American community.

VALUES OF A SUSTAINING LEADER

We seek to enlist, promote and engage individuals, who are able to connect with Established and Emerging Leaders, share business acumen and expertise, participate in efforts to support, mentor and help the Black community.

- Commitment to the Business Leadership Council mission
- Demonstrated willingness to advocate for issues facing our businesses and community
- Share time and resources to informally mentor Established and Emerging leaders

MEMBERSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

- Potential members are recommended by an active member of the Business Leadership Council to join
- New Member Profiles are submitted to the Executive Director on a rolling basis for review and approval by the Executive Committee
- Annual dues in the amount of $5000 are based on a calendar year
- Sustaining Leaders must be recommended to the Executive Committee to be considered for Sustaining Leader membership

SUSTAINING LEADER VALUE PROPOSITION

- Focused Interactions and relationships that support business growth
- Unique opportunities to access and engage with peers that are Sustaining Leaders
- Opportunity to establish both Mentor and Sponsor relationships
- Guide Leadership development sessions and roundtable discussions
- Targeted professional and leadership development activities and events
- Professional networking and engagement with like-minded individuals
- Potential recommendation to key civic boards, commissions, and task forces
- Invitation to attend Commercial Club Luncheons and other key business-centered events throughout the year