

Senator Eliot Shapleigh and United Way of El Paso County's Young Leaders Society
Proudly Present ...



August 20-23, 2009





This August a group of young professionals from El Paso will embark on a vital mission to Austin, Texas. We will spend three days networking with State Leaders and work to set a vision for the Borderland's dynamic future. We will discuss economic development, solar energy, 81st Session Legislation, financial stability, green business, e-business, and the incorporation of transportation and transit initiatives into El Paso's future infrastructure. Through our work, El Paso's Future Leaders will gain the perspective and insight necessary to help us grow as leaders and cultivate our professional personas. We will also have the opportunity to network with young professionals that reside in Austin, shop and enjoy nightlife in the State Capitol.



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REGISTRATION FORM
EP Young Professionals Capitol Retreat
August 20-23

Young Professionals from El Paso, TX are invited to participate in a weekend leadership retreat at the Austin Capitol. This leadership retreat will present these young leaders an opportunity to network with state leaders and set a vision for El Paso's progressive future. Leaders will also gain a perspective on El Paso that will inspire them to return and continue leading in the community and develop their professional persona.

Seminar Topics

- Downtown Revitalization
- Emerging Cities
- Innovative Media and Reporting
- Solar Energy
- Light rail - 21st Century Mass Transportation
- Becoming a Change Agent

Location

- Capitol Building
Legislative Conference Center in E2.002
1100 Congress Ave.
Austin, TX

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Name Age

Name of Company/Independent Position

Address

Phone Number

EMAIL

Dietary Needs

Height (For Bikes) Interested in Tubing (Y/N)

Emergency Contact Name Phone number

Please email or fax your registration to: Analisa.Cordova@senate.state.tx.us / fax: 915-544-1998

Interested in adding your company name to the

EP Young Professionals Leadership Retreat?

Become a Sponsor

We are currently seeking donations that will aid in the funding of our retreat. The price of the trip per Young Leader costs an estimated \$400 including lodging, meals and transportation.

If you are interested in donating we offer a number of sponsorship opportunities:

- ___ \$1,500--- Provides 2 dinners for 40 Young Leaders
- ___ \$800--- Provides 2 catered lunches for 40 Young Leaders
- ___ \$400--- Provides 40 Young Leaders with a working box lunch
- ___ \$500--- Provides 3 Days of chartered transportation for 40 Young Leaders
- ___ \$300--- Provides printing of Retreat programs and materials
- ___ Other amount; will of course graciously be put to good use!

All sponsors will receive recognition at the sponsored lunch/dinner event and/or recognition during funded activity or presentation including recognition and advertisement in Retreat Program, and press releases.

(Please make all checks payable to the United Way of El Paso County.)

We truly appreciate your support, and guarantee that your sponsorship will aid in preparing El Paso's Young Leaders to lead our beloved city into the future!

Thank You!

For more information on sponsorship please contact:

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Trip Facts...

August 20-23

Q: How much does the trip cost?

A: It is estimated that the average cost per traveler will be \$350-400 total including transportation and lodging.

Q: How are we getting there?

A: Suggested Plane Reservation
Plane (Leave ELP Aug.20 6:55am/ Leave ATX Aug. 23 Anytime)
Price for individual roundtrip ticket \$187.00 (including tax)

Q: Where are we staying?

A: While attendees are welcome to stay wherever they like, the official hotel for the retreat will be the Omni Austin Hotel Downtown.
To reserve your room call 1-800-THE-OMNI
Group Name: Senator Shapleigh's Office
Rate: Single \$85 Double: \$115
Rooms must be reserved by July 20, 2009.

Q: What's the attire?

A: Business attire is required for all session occurring in the Capitol Building.

Q: Is there anything special that I need to bring?

A: Other than an open mind and your vision for El Paso's future, you may want to bring business cards to exchange with the other movers and shakers that you will meet. If you plan on going either canoeing or tubing, you may also want to pack swimwear. Please bring athletic wear for the VIP bike ride.

Program-At-A-Glance

EP Young Professionals Capitol Retreat 2009

Thursday, August 20

6:45 am	Depart El Paso Int. Airport	
9:15 am	Arrive Austin-Bergstrom Int. Airport	Vans will pick up YP's
10:30 am	"A Texas-Sized Welcome" Introduction and Icebreakers	Senator Eliot Shapleigh
11:00 am	The Future of Healthcare	Dr. Eduardo Sanchez
12:00 pm	Welcome Luncheon <i>Catered by Mangia Pizza</i> <i>Voted "National Pizza Company of the Year" by Pizza Today Magazine</i>	Rep. Marisa Marquez Rep. Joe Moody
1:00 pm	"Tour de Capitol Pt. I"	Tour of historic State Capitol Building
2:00 pm	Emerging Cities: How Austin Took Off	Pike Powers, Chairman of the Texas Technology Initiative
3:00 pm	Downtown Redevelopment "Re-invent the Life of Your City"	Michael Knox, Austin Downtown Chief Officer
4:00 pm	Renewable Energy "Texas the Solar State"	Luke Metzger, Environment Texas
5:00 pm	Return to Omni Austin Hotel Downtown	
6:00 pm	"Tour de Downtown Austin" <i>Sponsored by Bike Texas</i>	Join Senator Shapleigh and <i>Bike Texas</i> for a guided bicycle ride through Downtown Austin.
7:45 pm	Welcome Dinner	

Friday, August 21

9:00 am	Arrive at Capitol	
9:30 am	Becoming a Change Agent	Rep. Mark Strama, D- Austin and Travis County
10:15 am	Innovations in Transportation "Light rail vs. Bus Mass Transit"	Lyndon Henry, Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority
11:00 am	Working Towards a Progressive City	Rep. Carol Alvarado, D- Harris County
12:00 pm	Luncheon	<i>Catered by Thundercloud Subs</i> <i>Voted "Best Sandwich" by Austin Chronicle Readers</i>
1:00 pm	New Media "Not Your Granddaddy's Reporting"	Wells Dunbar, The Austin Chronicle

2:00 pm	Philanthropic Leadership	Jason Sabo, United Ways of Texas
3:00 pm	Economic Development for the 21 st Century	Texas Senator Kirk Watson, District 14
4:00 pm	Leadership Vision	Young Leaders present to Senator Shapleigh
5:00 pm	Return to Omni Austin Hotel Downtown	
7:00 pm	Dinner	Houston Mayor Bill White

Saturday, August 22

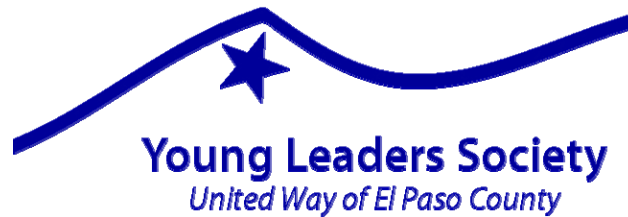
Use this day to network and build bonds with the people who will undoubtedly stand shoulder to shoulder with you as you assume leadership positions in the Borderland.

12:00 pm	Building Bridges	Canoeing, Tubing, Shopping San Marcos Outlet Malls
12:30 pm	Get on the Bus!	Vehicles Depart for Destinations
1:00-1:15 pm	Get off the Bus!	Drop off at chosen location
4:00 pm	Return to Omni Austin Hotel Downtown	
7:00 pm	Recognize and Socialize Mixer	Networking with Austin's El Paso Social Club

Sunday, August 23

7:30-8:00 am	Early Check-out
8:00 am	Vans Depart for Austin-Bergstrom Int. Airport

The Young Leaders Society (YLS) is a program founded by the United Way of El Paso County in 2008. It strives to nurture young business men and women by providing them with leadership development training, volunteerism experience, and networking opportunities. These experiences are vital for El Pasoans preparing to assume leadership roles in our community.



*For more information about
YLS
log on to*

www.ylstepaso.org



ACTIVITIES

Tour de Austin

Bike Texas is sponsoring a guided bike tour of Downtown Austin that will pass by the light rail station and Town Lake. During this VIP tour, Young Professionals will be able to learn how Austin developed their downtown to meet the needs of urban citizens. This bike tour is mostly flat. If you have not ridden a bike since you were ten, no worries, it is a beginners level ride. This ride will be no longer than an hour. Helmets and bikes will be available for participants on site.

Kayaking

It is recommended to go kayaking on Saturday morning. Life jackets, paddle boats, row boats, and multi-kayaks may be rented on site. Prices are listed below.

Single Kayak	\$10/hour
Double Kayak	\$15/hour
Triple Kayak	\$20/hour
Paddle Boat	\$15 per ½ hour or \$25/hour
Row Boat	\$20 per hour (Rent for 4 hours & pay for 3)

Tubing

You are not a Texan until you have tubed down the Guadalupe River. For a tube and a shuttle pass it will be \$15. It is highly recommended you bring sun block, a swimsuit, shorts, flip flops or Water Shoes, and a towel. It is a lot of fun and relaxing. We will have a cooler available on site.

Shopping

For you material boys and girls, we can drop you off at the San Marcos Outlet Mall or the Domain depending out how many people are interested in going to either mall. Just keep in mind you will be there for several hours. There is also shopping opportunities around downtown Austin and on S. Congress, you may take the bus, or taxi to these locations. A 1 day bus fair is \$1.50 and a taxi from the hotel would cost \$5.

