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Williamson, Inc. Launches Leadership DEI Program for Community and Business Leaders in Williamson County

Williamson, Inc.'s Leadership DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) will be led by People3, a Nashville-based diversity and inclusion training, consulting, and coaching firm. The inaugural class of Leadership DEI begins fall 2021.

A cohort of twenty business and community leaders from Williamson County have been selected to participate in this leadership program focused on growing and enhancing an organization's diversity, equity, and inclusion. People3 founder and CEO Dr. Candace Warner will facilitate the sessions, along with her team of consultants and analysts.

"We work with organizations daily on their diversity, equity, and inclusion strategies, programs, all the things. Every organization is at different stages and has different needs. We want to ensure we are meeting them where they are," said Warner.

"Our partnership with Williamson Inc. on Leadership DEI provides an opportunity for participants to understand how to think through their DEI journey and plans, plus gain feedback in real time from our consultants as well as the other cohort members."

With the help and guidance of community partners, Williamson, Inc. launched its Inclusion and Diversity program in 2018 as a way of serving the Williamson County business community in their efforts to access and retain from a larger employee pool.

"In a community with under 3% unemployment, inclusion is not just about culture but a bottom-line issue as well," said Williamson, Inc. Chief Economic Development Officer Elizabeth McCreary. Leadership DEI inaugural class will meet virtually the first Thursday of each month from October-December 2021. For more information about Williamson, Inc.'s inclusion and diversity programming, please visit williamsonchamber.com/economicdevelopment.

About Williamson, Inc.

Williamson, Inc. is the premiere source for business and economic development initiatives in Williamson County. As the chamber of commerce and economic development office in Williamson County, Williamson, Inc. uses an innovative approach to building a prosperous business community through educational programs, networking events, beneficial services, vocal business advocacy and business growth opportunities. Connect with Williamson, Inc. at williamsonchamber.com, on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

