



City of Pittsfield 2018 Citizens Academy Information Sheet

Introduction:

Welcome! Thank you for your interest in applying for the City of Pittsfield's 2018 Citizens Academy. This academy provides an opportunity for residents to learn about services and functions of city departments. Participants will also receive an inside perspective into their local government and learn about opportunities to get involved!

Instructions:

Please complete the attached application and mail to: Mayor's Office, 70 Allen Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201. You may also email the completed application to Catherine VanBramer, Executive Assistant to the Mayor, at cvanbramer@cityofpittsfield.org. Applications can also be hand delivered to the Mayor's Office at City Hall, 70 Allen Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201. For additional questions, please call the Mayor's Office at (413) 499-9321.

Session Schedule:

Thursday evenings from 6-8pm, September through November

September 6, 2018	October 11, 2018
September 13, 2018	October 18, 2018
September 20, 2018	October 25, 2018
September 27, 2018	November 1, 2018
October 4, 2018	November 8, 2018

Graduation-Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 7pm- City Council meeting

Attendance Policy:

Your attendance and active participation in the weekly sessions is essential to the success of the program. The sessions will be held at locations throughout Pittsfield from 6-8PM. You are expected to attend all of the weekly sessions to the best of your ability. Participants who accrue more than two absences, for any reason, other than the birth of a child or grandchild and death of an immediate family member, will result in failure to receive the completion certificate.

Transportation:

As we do not want transportation to become a barrier from preventing anyone from participating in this academy, we plan to provide transportation options. Please indicate in your application if you are in need of transportation assistance. If selected for the program, we will contact you to define what your specific needs are.



City of Pittsfield 2018 Citizens Academy Application Form

Eligibility Requirements: To be considered for participation in the Citizens Academy, an applicant must be 18 or older and a resident of the City of Pittsfield. The deadline for application submittal is Friday, June 29, 2018.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Number of years as Pittsfield resident: _____

- **Will you need access to transportation? Please circle one: Yes / No**

- **What sparked your interest to apply for the Citizens Academy?**

- **Have you ever previously volunteered on a city board or commission or in any other community organization? If so, which ones?**

- **What do you hope to learn/gain from this academy?**

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____