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Leadership Louisville Center announces Ignite Louisville Class of 2015

Louisville, Kentucky (Oct. 2, 2014) – Forty-five emerging leaders have been selected for the Leadership Louisville Center’s [Ignite Louisville](#) Class of 2015 that will run from October 2014 – April 2015. This is the 13th class of the award-winning program, presented by **Norton Healthcare**, which has graduated nearly 600 up-and-coming leaders and recently grew to offer two classes each year, preparing an even greater number of next-generation talent for expanded roles in their organizations and in the community.

Ignite Louisville is a seven-month program that grows mid-level professionals by developing the key components of leadership. In addition to the core curriculum developed by **Norton Healthcare, Yum! Brands, Inc., Brown-Forman Corporation, Northwestern Mutual** and the **U.S. Army** and the class will continue participating in the **Yum! IGNITES Louisville Challenge**. The Challenge provides an opportunity for the class to take on a project proposed by a local nonprofit and gain hands-on experience performing on a team and serving the community. Ignite Louisville and the Yum! IGNITES Louisville Challenge recently earned a national award for “Excellence in Innovation” from the Association of Leadership Programs.

Members of the second Ignite Louisville Class of 2015 (Oct-Apr) are ([click for photo roster](#)):

Josh Abbott, Messer Construction Co.; **Bryan Armstrong**, Attorney; **Joshua Barrick**, PNC Bank; **Paul Bolton**, Spalding University; **David Bryant**, David Bryant Law, PLLC; **Kate Butts**, Delta Dental of Kentucky; **Kellie Campbell**, DMLO CPAs; **Sytisha Claycomb**, Louisville Metro Government; **Scot Corson**, Freedom Metals, Inc.; **Kim Dodson**, Citizens Union Bank; **Sa'rai Doram**, Horseshoe Southern Indiana/Prima Promotions; **Jody Duncan**, Emergency Management Agency/MetroSafe; **Erica Gabbard**, University of Louisville, College of Business;

Katrina Gallagher, Louisville Convention & Visitors Bureau; **Ted Gatlin**, YouthBuild Louisville; **Matthew Griffith**, Louisville Water Company; **Liz Griffin Hack**, Griffin Fundraising and Marketing; **David Haney**, Gwin Steinmetz & Baird PLLC; **Jason Howard**, Norton Healthcare; **Jon'a Joiner**, Yum! Brands, Inc.; **Tiffany Koller**, LG&E and KU Energy, LLC; **Nima Kulkarni**, Indus Law Firm, PLLC; **Joseph Mandlehr**, Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC; **Kasey Mathes**, Yum! Brands, Inc.; **Ebony O'Rea**, Making Changes, LLC; **Colleen Payne**, Spina Bifida Association of Kentucky; **Matt Paynter**, Humana Inc.; **Audra Rankin**, University of Louisville School of Nursing; **Megan Reid**, Humana Inc.;

Reylene Robinson, Family & Children's Place; **Kacey Roby**, Kindred Healthcare; **Andrew Settle**, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society; **Erin Spalding**, Doe-Anderson; **Carson Stewart**, Yum! Brands, Inc.; **Brett Stilwell**, Jibby's, Inc.; **James Strange, III**, Advanced Electrical Systems, Inc.; **Shane Uttich**, Falls City Beer; **Jason Volz**, Harshaw Trane; **Olivia Webb**, Brown-Forman Corporation; **Nate Weismiller**, Linebach Funkhouser, Inc.; **Kristie Wetterer**, Stites & Harbison PLLC; **Jill Wilcox**, PNC Bank; **Erika Williams**, Pretty Incredible Communications; **Stuart Wilson**, LG&E and KU Energy, LLC; and **Kevin Zinser**, Deloitte Tax LLP.

About the Leadership Louisville Center:

Created in 1979, the Leadership Louisville Center is the region's most valuable resource for leadership development and civic engagement. Its mission is to grow and connect a diverse network of leaders who serve as catalysts for a world-class community through dynamic programming and strong community connections. Over 6,000 community leaders have graduated from the Center's programs that include Leadership Louisville, Focus Louisville, Ignite Louisville and Bingham Fellows.

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