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**Are you from an ethnically diverse background and interested in:**

1. **Moving into a leadership role in local sport and Physical Activity?**
2. **Increasing Diversity of local Sport and Physical Activity leadership and Governance**

**A partnership between Active Together and Sporting Equals is delivering a free 3 day programme to build skills and encourage people from ethnically diverse backgrounds to become leaders in our local sport and physical activity sector**

* **Free 3 x 1 day programme to train local people from ethnically diverse backgrounds.**
* **Delivered by Sporting Equals and colleagues from Leicester University**
* **Aim is to support people** **from ethnically diverse backgrounds into positions of leadership and Governance within local sport and physical activity sector.**
* **For up to 25 people - with registrations open now for February 2024 start**

We want to increase diversity and representation in local leadership and governance of sport and physical activity in the Leicestershire, Leicester, and Rutland area.

A new programme will develop the sports leadership skills of people from black or ethnically diverse backgrounds.

Up to 25 places are available for our second pilot programme that will teach skills needed to serve on local governing boards, steering groups and committees which oversee voluntary and public sector-based organisations of our local sport and physical activity sector.

Active Together, Sporting Equals and Leicester University are leading the FREE project, which aims to open up pathways to positions on boards of directors and governance of local sports clubs, as well as voluntary director roles on boards of sport governing bodies.

The leadership programme runs from February 2024 to April 2024 and is recruiting now. Please submit your applications using the link below:

<https://share-eu1.hsforms.com/1KH4lVGzBRnqsvxEW5dkOoAfcr48>

Applications will close Friday 19th January 2024.

The course will be delivered by experts from Sporting Equals and University of Leicester, covering topics including Leadership & Governance Skills, Race Diversity challenges in Sport, Dealing with Resistance, Influencing change mind sets and behaviours . It will be ideally suited to people who are already involved in local sport or physical activity and who are interested in moving forward into leadership roles.

The programme will start in the February 2024 and will require candidates to attend 3 x full day classroom sessions on the **February 21st, March 19th and April** **17th** at the NSPCC National Training Centre in Beaumont Leys, Leicester.

Organisers anticipate that most (but not all) candidates will be aged at least 21 and have some work life experience. No formal qualifications required but an interest in sport and physical activity and an aptitude to serve in a leadership role is necessary.

Sporting Equals staff will contact potential candidates late January with the outcome of their application.

For an informal conversation about the project, please email Dave Stock at [d.stock@active-together.org](mailto:d.stock@active-together.org)