

# EncoreConnecticut

## Fall 2025 Schedule at a Glance

All classes meet on Saturdays from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at the UConn Hartford Campus, except for September 20<sup>th</sup> which will be held at Connecticut Foodshare in Wallingford.

Please see back page for maps.

### Optional Free Friday Half-Day & Full-Day Seminars:

Go to [Public Service Executive Leadership Collaborative](#)

to find the seminars and dates. Pre-registration required. Promo Code: ENCORE.

Day 1	Saturday, September 6, 2025
Time	Curriculum
9:00-11:00am	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>
11:00 - 11:15am	<b>Curriculum and Schedule Review</b>
15 min	Break
11:30am – Noon	<b>Introspection</b> with <a href="#">Tom Ruderman</a>
Noon - 12:45 pm	<b>Lunch</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach’s Atrium</b>
12:45pm – 1:30 pm	<b>Break Out Groups</b> <b>Bonding</b> Tom Ruderman Facilitating
15 min	Break
1:45-pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Meet with Encore Alumni</b>
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Fellowship Questions and Process Touchbase

<b>Day 2</b>		<b>Saturday, September 13, 2025</b>	
Time	Curriculum		
<b>Governance</b>			
9:00 -11am	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Who Owns This house?</b>  Rules, laws, ethics, BOD dynamics,  and structure  with  Priya Morganstern, Esq.  Connecticut Director  <a href="#">Pro Bono Partnership</a>  (With break)</p>		
15 min	Break		
<b>Community Engagement &amp; Partnerships</b>			
11:15 am - 12:30 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Robert Hebert</i>  Chief Strategic Officer  <a href="#">Career Resources, Inc.</a>  and  Marc Donald  President &amp; CEO  <a href="#">Catalyst CT</a></p>		
12:30 - 1pm	<b>Lunch</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach's Atrium</b>		
<b>Operating Nonprofits Today</b>			
1-3pm	<p style="text-align: center;">Facilitated by Scott Wilderman  President &amp; CEO <a href="#">Career Resources</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Gian-Carl Casa  President &amp; CEO  <a href="#">Connecticut Alliance of Nonprofits</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;">John Merz  CEO  <a href="#">Advancing Connecticut Together</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Others To Be Announced.</p>		

Thurs., Sept.18 7-8 pm ZOOM	Interviewing Workshop with Tom Ruderman
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Day 3      Saturday, September 20, 2025 @ Connecticut Foodshare 2 Research Pkwy, Wallingford, CT	
Time	Curriculum
<b>Building A Fund Development Plan</b>	
9:00 -11:30 am	<p>Beverly Catchpole <b>Chief Giving Officer</b></p> <p>Al Marino <b>Director of Corporate and Community Giving</b></p> <p>Arnold Berman <b>Stewardship Manager</b></p> <p>of <b>Connecticut Foodshare</b></p>
11:30 - 12:15 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>Cohort Tour and Food Sorting at Connecticut Foodshare</b>	
12:30-3:30 pm	<p>Tour of Connecticut Foodshare Facility and Food Sorting Volunteering</p>

Thursday, Sept. 25 5-6 pm	Fellowship Touchbase by Zoom
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<b>Day 4</b>		<b>Saturday, October 4, 2025</b>	
Time	Curriculum		
<b>Strategy</b>			
9:00am -10:30 am	<b>Strategic Partnering</b> with <a href="#">David Garvey</a>		
15min	Break		
10:45 am- 12:15 pm	<b>A Foundational Frame to View Nonprofit Strategy</b> with <a href="#">David Nee</a>		
12:15 – 1pm	Lunch 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach’s Atrium		
<b>Communications</b>			
1pm- 2:30 pm	<b>Communications Planning</b> Ben Dubow Executive Director <a href="#">Forge City Works</a>		
2:30- 3 pm	Touch base and Overview of Fellowship Process		
Monday October 6	Fellowships Begin		

<b>Day 5</b>		<b>Saturday, October 25, 2025</b>	
<b>Time</b>	<b>Curriculum</b>		
<b>Nonprofit Accounting</b>			
9am – 11:30	With <a href="#">Rebecca Lyman</a> and <a href="#">Paul Ballasy</a> of <a href="#">CohnReznick</a> (with Break)		
11:30-12:15	Lunch 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach’s Atrium		
<b>Representation and Voice in the Connecticut Nonprofit Sector</b>			
12:15 – 1:45pm	Facilitated by Andréa Hawkins Founder & CEO <a href="#">Leading Culture Solutions</a>  With  Panel To Be Announced.		
15 min	Break		
<b>Leadership</b>			
2:00-3:30 pm	The Shackleton Survival Case & Adaptive Leadership <i>with</i> Scott Wilderman		

Day 6		Saturday, November 1, 2025	
Time	Curriculum		
<b>Philanthropy</b>			
9:00-10:30 am	<b>The Philanthropic Partnership &amp; Trust Based Philanthropy</b> Alexis Bivens, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives, <a href="#">CT Council for Philanthropy</a>		
10:30- Noon	<b>Donor Roundtable</b> Facilitated by Alexis Bivens  With  Judy McBride Director, Strategic Partnership Investments <a href="#">Hartford Foundation for Public Giving</a>  Other Panelist To Be Announced.		
Noon - 12:45 pm	<b>Lunch</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach's Atrium</b>		
<b>Story Telling</b>			
12:45 - 2:30 pm	with Susan Graham <a href="#">Let's Build It</a>		
2:30-3:00 pm	Fellowship Touch base		

Day 7		Saturday, November 15. 2024	
Time	Curriculum		
<b>Nonprofit Advocacy</b>			
9 -10:30am	Facilitated by <a href="#">Bob Francis</a> <i>with</i> Ben Shaiken, Director of Government Relations <a href="#">CT Community Nonprofit Alliance</a>  Stacey Violente-Cote Deputy Director <a href="#">Center for Children’s Advocacy</a>		
15 Min	<b>Break</b>		
<b>Lobbying</b>			
10:45-12:15	with Kate Robinson Principal <a href="#">Gallo &amp; Robinson, LLC</a>		
12:15 - 12:45pm	<b>Lunch</b> <b>1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Zach’s Atrium</b>		
<b>CEO Roundtable</b>			
12:45pm- 2:30 pm	Facilitated by Scott Wilderman <i>with</i>  Earl Bloodworth Executive Director <a href="#">CT Against Gun Violence</a>  Nicole Willoughby Executive Director <a href="#">Project M.O.R.E.</a>  Barry Simon President & CEO <a href="#">Oak Hill</a>		
2:30-3:00	Fellowship Touch base		

Friday, December 5 5 – 7pm	<b>Center for Contemporary Culture</b> <b>Hartford Public Library</b> <b>500 Main Street, Hartford</b>
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# Contact Information

If there is a last-minute emergency or issue the day of your program, please **call David or Maura first**. Here is our contact information.

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Street parking is free on Saturdays. Classroom 208.



**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> class**  
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