

WHY WE NEED A PUBLIC SERVICE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

We live in a time of unprecedented challenges—from natural disasters and global health crises to inequity, political division, war and assaults on our democracy. Our government is the only institution with the public mandate and the resources to tackle these problems.

But to do so, it needs effective public service leadership, the most critical factor driving government success and impact. Our nation needs elected, appointed and career government leaders of integrity who can unify us in bringing solutions and hope to a beleaguered world.

And yet, today's public service leaders lack a place to go where they can rally behind a single leadership standard, develop essential leadership skills together and recommit to their constitutional oath. The federal government needs what the best organizations across sectors possess—a consistent standard for leadership and a way to meet it.

That is why, as a council of leadership experts, we are pleased to support the formation of the **Public Service Leadership Institute**, created by the Partnership for Public Service.

The Partnership's nonpartisan, nonprofit status, its long track record strengthening tens of thousands of leaders from across agencies, and its data and insights on federal leadership and management issues make the organization uniquely positioned to raise the standard of public service leadership across government and across administrations.

The Public Service Leadership Institute will serve as the preeminent source of public service leadership perspectives, programs and policies. It aims to increase the performance and accountability of public service leaders. Those who take part in our work will strengthen their stewardship of public trust and be better prepared to fulfill their oath of office. This will reinforce their commitment to public good, ultimately delivering greater results to the country and improving public trust in government.


We urge public servant leaders everywhere to embrace all of the tools, resources, insights and programs the Institute will offer. In so doing, together we will build a better government and a stronger democracy.



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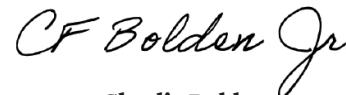
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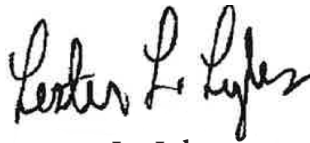
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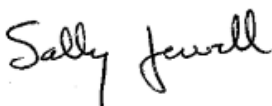
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