

EXECUTIVE FORUM

Session 1: February 10-11 & 17-18, 2026

Blended Experience

February 10-11: In-Person, Granite Innovations, St. Cloud, MN

February 17-18: Virtually via Zoom

Session 2: June 15-18, 2026

Madden's on Gull Lake - Brainerd, MN

Session 3: October 26-29, 2026

Location TBD

The Executive Forum is ideally suited for presidents and executives of larger, established organizations, and business owners and founders of smaller businesses. The forum is designed to increase the effectiveness of leaders and consists of a 12-month development experience that will change the way you think. It is fast-paced, concentrated and highly interactive. Within the 12 months, there are three, four-day educational case study-based sessions that allow participants to concentrate on specific topics related to the survival, growth and expansion stages of business.

Forum Topics and Curriculum

- Change Management
- Competitive Strategy
- Corporate Strategy
- Ethics in Business
- Financial Analysis
- Innovation
- Leadership and Culture
- Leading Negotiations
- Marketing Strategy
- Operations Strategy
- Recruitment and Retention
- Succession Planning
- Team Development

Forum Objectives

- Gaining new business management tools and techniques to successfully lead your organization through the survival, growth and expansion phases of the business cycle.
- Providing time between sessions to evaluate and apply what you have learned, and have the opportunity to share more about your organization with your peer network through virtual, guided small group application sessions.
- Establishing relationships with other organization leaders through the shared 12-month experience that continue beyond the forum.

Forum Fees

The cost for each session of the forum is \$5,800; for a total fee of \$17,400. Each session is invoiced separately. Nonprofit organizations receive a 20% discount. Individual and small or early stage organizations interested in attending with limited ability to pay, should inquire about scholarship opportunities.

DISCUSSION LEADERS



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Talent Director, Granite Partners
Focus: Team Development



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Area President, Gallagher
Focus: Leadership



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CEO, American Peat Technology
Focus: Marketing & Strategy



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Myres Consulting & Executive, Dayta
Focus: Innovation



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President/CEO, DeZURIK
Focus: Operations & Strategy



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Retired President, Creative Planning
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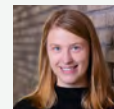
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Focus: Leading Teams



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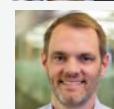
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VP & GM, Massman Companies
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Steve Windfeldt

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Curriculum

Each session of the Executive Forum includes several case studies covering all departments of an organization, from business basics to leading teams. Each session's curriculum builds on the topics covered in the previous session, and further develops each participant's toolkit. By the end of the third session, participants will have developed a complete action plan for their organization. Below is an overview of the topics discussed in each week.



Testimonials

"I had the opportunity to participate in the Anderson Center Executive Forum, and it was an invaluable experience that exceeded my expectations. The forum provided a unique space to learn from seasoned experts while engaging deeply with other professionals facing similar challenges. Each session was thoughtfully structured, blending practical insights with real-world case studies that encouraged immediate application in my own organization. Whether you are a for-profit or non-profit, the case study methodology is incredibly relevant and impactful. The Anderson Center has truly crafted a world-class program that is transformative for any executive looking to elevate their skills and drive impact."

NeTia Bauman – **CEO & President, Greater St. Cloud Development Corporation**

"I would highly recommend the Executive Management training at Anderson Center. Compelling case study work, in collaboration with like-minded professionals provided high-level leaders a captive opportunity to see our business opportunities through a clearer lens -- a fantastic experience!

Kathryn Rowen – **Vice President & General Manager, Massman Companies**

"The Anderson Executive forum is the best opportunity I have found for further development and growth as an executive. The proven knowledge and experience from the presenters is something you can't find anywhere else. The knowledge and experience in the room along with the relationships built will give me resources to fall back on indefinitely. "

Mike Brown – **VP Supply Chains & Operations, Vector Windows**

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EXECUTIVE FORUM ALUMNI

Established in 2008, the Anderson Center Executive Forum has convened 18 cohorts and engaged over 230 participants from 65+ organizations.

Aeration Industries

- Brian Cohen

Akkerman

- Brad Wheeler

All Flex Solutions

- Eric Matuska
- Eric Ness
- Gary Ryan
- Greg Closser
- Jamin Taylor
- John Fallon
- Kevin Jackson
- Kurtis Olson
- Matt Keithly
- Stacy Colbert

Altimate Medical

- Amy Curtis
- Darren Gerke
- Jennifer Kersting
- Jody Rindfleisch
- John Ingebrigtsen
- Jorge Cadenas
- Kevin Felien
- Ryan Williams

American Peat Technology

- Peggy Jones

Anderson Trucking Service

- Angela Wainright
- Ben DeLong
- Crystal Lahr
- Gary Stang
- Jeff Potthoff
- Joe Goering
- Lance Votroubek
- Lyle Jankee
- Michael Lakmann
- Paul Pfeiffer
- Ty Holstrom

Anna Marie's Alliance

- Charles Hempeck

Automotive Parts Headquarters

- Cal Anderson
- Jesse Westrup

Automotive Parts Solutions

- Aaron Miller

Ben's Structural Fabrication

- Ann Schwartz

Bernick's

- Leah Bernick
- Kelly Walz
- Tracy Ebnet

Border State Bank

- Robert Hager

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central MN

- Mary Swingle

Career Solutions

- Tammy Biery

Central McGowan

- Brittany Haycraft
- Chris Babich
- Dean Kiffmeyer
- Jaci Dukowitz
- Joe Francis
- Mike Muenzer

Coldspring

- Brent Koosmann
- Chad Epsen
- Erin Schwanitz-Vogt
- Jason Kron
- Jerry Robel
- Joe Bahen
- Josh Reitmeier
- Kip Cameron
- Mac Cariveau
- Mark Stafford
- Reid Kubesh
- Richard Taylor
- Roy Undersander
- Scott Piecek

Central Minnesota Community Foundation

- Caryl Turnow
- Glen Tautges
- Steve Joul

CPI Binani

- Eric Renteria
- Ken Morris
- Scott Ledebuhr

Creative Planning

- Britt Von Roden
- Rob Mlenek

Dayta

- Luke Riodan

DeZURIK

- Bryan Burns
- Bonnie Funk
- Craig McDonald
- Daryl Schroeder
- Jeff Jagerson
- Larry Korf
- Melinda Vonderahe
- Rich Benninghoff
- Ryan Myklebust
- Scott Crane
- Tanya Adair
- Tim Nebosis

DJ Bitzan Jewelers

- Erin Bitzan

Dotson Iron Castings

- Jean Bye

EXIT Lakes Realty Premier

- David Mernin

FAST Global Solutions

- Eric Kolstoe

GeoComm

- Amanda Romaine
- Brian Jacobson
- Erik Loberg
- John Brosowsky
- John Bryant
- Rob Ruprecht
- Ryan Thomas
- Todd Pieper

GEOTEK

- Ben Wiltsie
- Brandon Bubak
- Dale Nordquist
- Derek Mazula
- Don Dalland
- Dwight Keenan
- Eric Fortin
- Health Dahl
- Julie Aldrich
- Ken McDonald
- Mike Schoenoff
- Mollie Forstner
- Shana Huss

Goldleaf Partners

- Heather Windjue

Granite Partners

- Angie Krtnick Complin
- Art Monaghan
- Carol O'Shea
- Meg Hickey McGuire
- Paul Cameron
- Sara Wegmann
- Tim Rosener
- Thomas Hodgdon
- Tracy Schulte

GREAT Theatre

- Lacey Schirmers

Greater St. Cloud Development Corporation

- Gail Cruikshank
- Larry Hosch
- Leslie Dingman
- NeTia Bauman
- Patti Gartland

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GrowthZone

- Scott Juranek

Hoonuit

- Dan Meyer
- Lisa Barnett

Initiative Foundation

- Brian Voerding
- Kathy Gaalswyk
- Lynn Bushinger
- Matt Kilian
- Matt Varilek

JIT Companies

- Ron Beltz

Klun Law Firm

- Kelly Klun

Lathrop GPM

- Aaron Crandall
- Ryan Gerads

Lonesome Cottage Furniture

- Brandon Andersen

Mahowald/Gallagher

- Dave Mahowald
- Joe Westerlind
- John Mahowald
- Laura Tomczik
- Mike Stalboerger

Malco Tools

- Jeff Widdel
- Kirk Langbehn
- Mike Hemmesch
- Rebecca Talbot

Massmann Companies

- John Yeragotelis
- Kathryn Rowen
- Mark Suchy
- Mary Gaulke
- Mike Ardito
- Sandy Bell
- Steve Brown
- Ross Gencheff

McDowall Companies

- Matt McDowall

Microbiologics

- Aaron Fisk
- Brad Goscowicz
- Brad Pieper
- Brian Beck
- Donna Scholer
- Frank Wohletz
- Jay Gizzi
- John Niemi
- Kristen Knox
- Mardi Noyes
- Mark Ellingson
- Mike Prasch
- Naomi Bowling
- Patti Dill
- Steve Manske

Mill Creek Life Sciences

- Judy Lundy

Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures

- Michele Palomaki
- Ronda Weizenegger

Netgain Technology

- Scott Warzecha

Northwest Minnesota Foundation

- Nancy Vyskocil

Park Industries

- Steve VanHeel

Pomp's Tire/Royal Tire

- Brad Burley
- Mick Pickens
- Pat Duininck
- Tim Crennen

Preferred Credit, Inc.

- Bridget Pauna
- Jenny Paulsrud
- Joe Bergstrom
- Kasey Bueckers
- Laurie Brown
- Steve Windfeldt

RELCO

- Loren Corle
- Mike Day
- Steve Ennenga

Ressemann & Associates

- Tom Ressemann

Rice Companies, Inc.

- Chris Schuver

Rotochopper

- Chad Angeli
- Jamey Brick
- Mike Elling
- Tosh Brinkerhoff

S.T. Cotter Turbine Services, Inc.

- Shawn Cotter

Sentry Bank

- Darren Heying

Southwest Initiative Foundation

- Diana Anderson

St. Cloud Technical & Community College

- Annesa Cheek

Tandem O & P

- Lisa Schoonmaker

TechMix

- Mike Nelson

United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties

- Jessica Boyer

United Way of Central Minnesota

- Daniel Larson
- Jessica Houle
- Jon Ruis
- Noreen Dunnels

Vector Windows

- Andrew Miller
- Bridget Grenier
- Jeff Ackerson
- Jeff Murphy
- Jenn Schmidt
- Jim Magonegil
- Mike Brown
- Tim Eggebraaten
- Tony Reinhardt

West Central Initiative

- Brad Barth
- Nancy Straw
- Shannon Snell

Wilkie Sanderson

- Gene Oberg
- Heidi Weikert
- Mike O'Connor

XL Specialized Trailers

- Jeff Ingels
- Luke Livingston
- Mike Whittenbaugh
- Nathan Guess
- Scott Wall
- Steve Fairbanks