



Mentor Program

THE PROGRAM

The Mentor Program is a professional development program for Young Professionals and First Time Congress Attendees. Many of our nation's most respected executives, in both the public and private sectors, cite the support, influence and encouragement of a mentor as a contributing reason for their success. As a national affiliate of the National Recreation and Park Association, EMS is dedicated to grooming Minority professionals for the challenges of senior management positions in the field of parks and recreation, and is firmly committed to fostering mentoring relationships that will prepare our mentees to be the next generation of leaders.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Persons selected to participate in the Mentor Program will be required to complete a number of important tasks. At a minimum, the following is required:

- Demonstrate interest in and commitment to developing and sustaining a mutually-supportive relationship with a mentor
- Commitment to developing a detailed, individualized work program and strategic career plan

PROGRAM BENEFITS

Among the benefits of participation in the Mentor Program are the following:

- Unique and personal access and interaction with a prominent park and recreation professional on a one-to-one basis
- Sage advice and counsel from someone who's "been there"
- The opportunity to develop a strategic career plan with the assistance of a successful professional
- Heightened awareness of career opportunities in the field of parks and recreation
- The opportunity to network with park and recreation professionals from across the world

