

2005 N.E.W. Leadership Participant Comments

“My leadership skills have gained strength as I have become more comfortable with myself and have gotten to know myself more intensely. This has left room for less doubt and more confidence.”

“The most important thing that I learned is that I can start making changes in my community now.”

“I learned that the political process *is* accessible...and how *I* can access it!”

“N.E.W. Leadership gave me a broader look at politics and allowed me to meet very influential women in Oklahoma.”

“While I always knew that women were underrepresented in government, the fact really hit home during N.E.W. I also learned that women need a lot more encouragement to even run for office. Those two issues made me not only begin to consider someday running for office, but to also encourage women I know to run.”

“I never fully understood how I could affect the political process without being directly involved, but now I know that I do have power and a voice.”

“We are going to make a difference!”