

Leading Through Self-Discovery and Personal Vision

My Personal Vision

Review your pre-work for developing your personal vision. Reflecting on your responses, attempt to **create a six- to eight-word statement** that captures your personal vision. Write a few drafts. Say it out loud. Return to your group prepared to share your personal vision and any relevant thinking behind it; ask for feedback, and more importantly, *listen*. Remember, it will likely take several drafts over several days, weeks or even months before you feel this is a complete and concise expression of your innermost values and directions. You may decide to change the format, make it longer or add bulleted statements; after all, this is ... *personal*. Make it your own.

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Finally, remember that a personal vision statement is not meant to be fixed, but rather should be iterative throughout your life. Review it regularly, and revise and update it as you continue to consider and evolve your values and goals. Use it as your personal framework for your life, and every time you make an important decision, let your mission statement be your guide.