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## Leadership Impact 15 Ways to Positively Influence Others

Influencing others is a critical skill in today's work environment. Here are fifteen reliable ways to influence others to create a positive leadership impact.

- 1. When new in a group or with individuals, introduce yourself right away
- 2. Smile and remember people's names
- 3. Genuinely listen to others ideas and opinions
- 4. Expand your sphere of influence by cultivating strategic relationships
- 5. Show enthusiasm the more committed you are, the more others will be willing to support you
- 6. Observe leaders in your organization or community who are highly influential. What are they doing that is effective?
- 7. Know your audience, what is important to them and how will you provide value and benefit?
- 8. Be succinct going "on and on" dilutes your message and could confuse others
- 9. Manage negative nonverbal communication
- 10. Increase your level of contribution by making suggestions and sharing your ideas
- 11. Be well prepared with facts and data so you are credible in stating your opinions Be sure to give reasons why you believe the facts are important
- 12. Develop conviction when stating your opinions and ideas don't hesitate
- 13. Pay attention to your vocal quality so you come across confidently
- 14. Summarize your opinions frequently to build understanding
- 15. Ask others for feedback on how they perceive you and what you could do differently to have a more positive impact

## Pam's Motto:

"Live intentionally, be extraordinary and do great things for your world."