Support from local priesthood, auxiliary, and other leaders is vital to the success of Pathway at each individual site. Local leaders identify Church members who may benefit from Pathway, provide facilities for Pathway gatherings, call Church-service missionaries, and much more. Following is a list of best practices for individuals involved with supporting Pathway at the local level.

**AREA LEADERS**

**Area Presidencies**

Where applicable, Area Presidencies lend their support to Pathway by:

- Determining the manner in which Pathway will be administered in their area
- Assigning Area Seventies to execute Pathway’s initial launch and expansion efforts
- Coordinating expansion efforts with Pathway administrators

**Area Seventies**

Area Seventies offer support to Pathway by:

- Assigning an agent stake president to administer Pathway locally
- Garnering strong stake leadership support for Pathway
- Orchestrating multi-stake implementation and cooperation
- Coordinating expansion efforts with Pathway administrators and the Area Presidency (where applicable)
- Establishing enrollment goals and distributing responsibility

**AGENT STAKE PRESIDENTS**

At each Pathway site, an Area Seventy assigns one stake president as the “agent.” Although all stake presidents in the region surrounding a Pathway site contribute to the program’s success, the agent stake president specifically:

- Assists with initial program implementation
- Identifies and calls Church-service missionaries
- Works with Pathway Church-service missionaries to ensure program success
- Encourages stake/ward auxiliary leaders to support Pathway
- Collaborates with other stakes in finding prospective students and missionaries
- Coordinates expansion efforts with the Area Seventy and Pathway administrators
PRIESTHOOD/AUXILIARY LEADERS

All priesthood and auxiliary leaders on the ward and stake levels can assist with Pathway by:

- Inviting Church members to participate in Pathway
- Working with Pathway Church-service missionaries to educate Church members about Pathway

INSTITUTES

Institute personnel offer support to Pathway by:

- Offering courses for transferrable credit
- Providing classrooms with Internet connectivity during Thursday gatherings
- Allowing Pathway students and missionaries access to institute facilities during Pathway’s academic year (September–July)
- Coordinating institute classes in English
- Assisting in finding potential students

SELF-RELIANCE SERVICES/PEF

Self-Reliance Services/PEF offer support to Pathway by:

- Helping to promote Pathway
- Sharing the vision of Pathway with local ecclesiastical leaders
- Informing Church members about local educational options after Pathway

PATHWAY CHURCH-SERVICE MISSIONARIES

Pathway relies heavily on Church-service missionaries to assist with the on-site affairs of the program. Missionaries are primarily asked to:

- Organize efforts for informing prospective students about Pathway
- Build strong relationships with local ecclesiastical leaders and institute directors
- Educate local Church members about Pathway and how to join
- Provide ongoing support and care for enrolled Pathway students
- Facilitate weekly Pathway gatherings, including training lead students
- Dedicate 5–20 hours of service per week
- Provide Pathway administration and the agent stake president with regular updates and feedback
- Be proficient in English and facilitate weekly gatherings in English

Visit pathway.lds.org/main/leaders for more information and links to downloadable promotional materials.