5 TIPS for Developing Leadership Skills

A strong leader is one who has the ability to make others feel important, empowered and part of the team. Providing people with an opportunity to share their insight and ideas goes a long way toward creating a positive environment for the employees and the owners. Here are 5 tips to help you take your leadership skills to the next level.

**TIP 1**
INTENTIONAL LISTENING
Being a good listener is one of the keys to success. Ask follow-up questions to ensure you have a clear understanding of what the other person is saying.

**TIP 2**
UTILIZE SKILLS & TALENTS
Understanding and leveraging your employee’s unique abilities will make them feel valued and help you build a strong and growing business.

**TIP 3**
SET TEAM GOALS
Allowing your employees to help set the goals for your company provides greater buy in, improves accountability, and provides a sense of purpose.

**TIP 4**
PROBLEM RESOLUTION
When looking for solutions to a challenge, invite your employees to share their insight and ideas. This helps build an environment of trust and loyalty.

**TIP 5**
ARTICULATE EXPECTATIONS
Make sure your instructions are clear and concise. Engage the employee in a dialogue to verify that they clearly understand the desired result.