Hi [employer's name],

I hope your week is going well.

Since our previous conversations on the importance of strengthening my managerial skills and growing in my role professionally, I have been researching professional development programs that will assist me in these areas of improvement.

While researching, I came across an intriguing program that aligns with many of my goals for my personal and professional journey, 1871's <u>WMNtech Leaders Cohort</u>.

This program seems like a great fit because of its dedicated programming and mentoring opportunities that supports and accelerates women in leading tech roles, along with [explain why the program interests you]. I believe it would help strengthen my role in the team by [specific benefits to team and/or company].

I'm also fascinated to learn more about [reference program specifics] that will assist me in my journey at [company name]. This program would be an innovative way to do so.

If feasible, does [company name] provide funding for professional development opportunities like this? I wasn't sure, but wanted to speak with you before moving forward with applying. If it's possible to be reimbursed for the program, I would love to discuss this further as well.

Here are some of the program specifics:

- Start date: 2.24.23
- Duration: 4 months
- Time commitment: runs all day, one Friday per month
- Cost:
 - Current 1871 Member: \$3,000 for the program
 - Non-member: \$5,000 for the program
- Link with more information: <u>https://1871.com/wmntech-leaders/</u>

Are you available to discuss this further sometime in the next week? Let me know what works for you. Thank you!

Best,

[Your Name]