



Literacy Volunteers – Waterville Area

An Affiliate of ProLiteracy America

"We teach adults to read."

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Dear Friend,

Everyone has a story. Not everyone can read one. In fact, about 42% of adults in Maine are functioning at the lowest levels of literacy.

Our goal at Literacy Volunteers of Waterville is to help individuals develop or expand their ability to read, write, and speak English. We provide free, confidential, one-on-one tutoring to adults who want to improve those skills. Here are some of their stories.

HOPE

Alaba knows seven languages. A native of Africa, he speaks five tribal languages and is fluent in French. When he moved to our area he wanted to learn English and pursue his General Equivalency Diploma. He was so motivated that he worked double time with his tutor and passed his GED on the first try. His HOPE of attending a community college and getting a decent full time job is now becoming a reality.

COURAGE

Shannon needed to help her children with their homework. Her struggle prompted her to contact Literacy Volunteers. With the assistance of her tutor, her reading level increased and she not only could help her children, but she now had the COURAGE to go back to school herself. She enrolled in KVCC part-time and with the encouragement and support of her tutor is holding a 3.8 grade point average.

PRIDE

Matt got a promotion at work. With it came a sense of PRIDE for his hard work, a pay increase to help support his family. . .and the challenge of new workplace vocabulary. His tutor is working with him to help him master the reading and writing skills involved in a higher level of communication in the workplace. The steps he is taking now will help secure his job and gives him the potential for future advancement.

SATISFACTION

You can partner with the adult literacy learners in our community through your financial support and have the SATISFACTION that lives will be changed. Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution today. Literacy makes a difference. You can too.

For more information about our services and how you can get involved, please visit our website at lvwaterville.org. Thank you and best wishes for a happy and healthy new year!

Sincerely,

Charles Merrill

Board of Directors Chair, Literacy Volunteers - Waterville