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The Literacy Council of Frederick County teaches adults the reading and other English language skills they need to provide for their families and contribute to the well-being and prosperity of our community.

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Ambassador of the Year Award Honors Workplace Classes

At its recent Annual Membership Meeting, the **Tourism Council of Frederick County** announced that the **Literacy Council** is the recipient of this year's **Visit Frederick Ambassador of the Year Award** for teaching workplace English to hotel housekeeping staff.

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Volunteer Spotlight: Honoring Caroline Gaver

For **45 years**, Caroline has volunteered with the **Literacy Council of Frederick County**. She is a tireless advocate for adults who struggle to read and write in their native English, or who face obstacles in their daily lives because they don't speak English.

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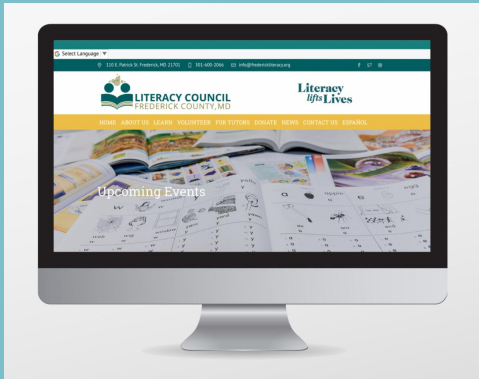


Tutor Training Goes Virtual!!

Our **tutor training** has gone virtual! Training tutors has always been at the heart of the **Literacy Council's** endeavor. Without a steady new supply of the great people who volunteer to teach English and reading skills to our adult students, we'd soon be unable to function.

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Upcoming Events at the Literacy Council



- Volunteer Information Sessions
- Tutor Training Workshops
- Student Class Schedule
- Giving Tuesday - Dec. 1

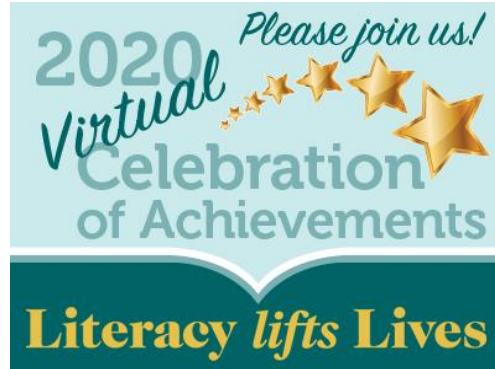
Due to the current restrictions in place, sessions are being conducted online via Zoom or other online communications platforms.



Holiday Book Drive

The **Literacy Council's Annual Holiday Book Drive** begins **November 14, 2020**. The Literacy Council of Frederick County is again **partnering with Curious Iguana** for our Annual Holiday Book Drive to provide new and gently used books for elementary school aged children (PreK through 5th grade).

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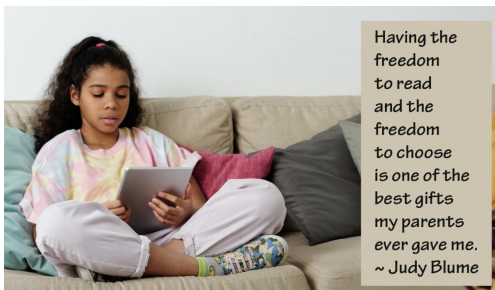


2020 Virtual Celebration of Achievements - Nov. 18 & 22

Join us for our **7th Annual Celebration of Achievements** – virtual this year – as we recognize the accomplishments of our students this past year, and share stories from students who are participating in our tutoring, community class, parent literacy and workplace literacy programs.

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Thank You For Your Support!



Special thanks to the Delaplaine Foundation and United Way of Frederick County for COVID-19 Emergency Grant Funds. We are grateful to the generous supporters who help us give the gift of literacy. In addition to the businesses and other donors listed on **Our Supporters** page, many individuals donate significantly to our cause. Together we are building a better community, one life at a time.

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National Book Fund

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**Please consider a donation to the Literacy Council of Frederick County.
Your financial gift is vital to help sustain our programs
during these unprecedented times! Thank you!**

- **CARES Act: New Charitable Giving Incentives:** Above-the-Line Deductions: Available to all individual taxpayers, \$300 donation in 2020 tax year, Lift AGI Cap (for itemizers). Corporate donations: raises cap to 25% of taxable income.
- Gifts can be made by cash or online by credit card.
- Gifts of Appreciated Securities can provide tax advantages.
- Retirement Plan Giving for those age 70½ and over may provide substantial tax benefits.
- Consider a Planned Gift to the Literacy Council.
- Our Giving Societies are special charitable opportunities to champion the Literacy Council's mission.
- Access our Annual Reports/Newsletters.

