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The <u>Literacy Council of Frederick County</u> provides adults with pathways to essential literacy skills. Success for the individuals and families we seek to serve rests on a collective community approach.

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# LEARNER Spotlight

# **Celebration of Achievements Spotlights Learners**



Jason W., one of the Literacy
Council's former Basic Literacy
students, and his tutor, David
McAllister, shared their experience
working together. Jason was
recognized for receiving his high
school diploma through Frederick
Community College's GED program!
Tutor Carole Rodero recognized her
student Carla E. who mastered
English over several years and is
now teaching at a local private
school. Jackelin C. and Comfort O.
were recognized at the end of the

evening with bouquets of flowers in tribute to receiving their U.S. citizenship.

The Celebration of Achievements event also recognized adult learners with special certificates of recognition for their many achievements, in spite of the challenges from COVID over the past two years.

# VOLUNTEER Spotlight

# **Celebration of Achievements Spotlights Volunteers**

The Literacy Council extends many thanks to our volunteer tutors and class instructors whose dedicated support for their students helped them to reach so many milestones. Thank you to volunteer, Shira Kundinger for creating such a heartfelt video testimonial A Literacy Journey with LCFC. We are also grateful to Bill Stover of Jover Fine Art



Productions for contributing his time and talent as our event photographer!

Discover more recognitions from our recap of the event.

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# **Celebration of Achievements Spotlights Community**



Becky Servey, General Manager, Courtyard Marriott with <u>Plamondon Hospitality Partners</u>, addressed the audience about the impact of the Workplace Literacy Program's classes on their hospitality associates, along with Board Member, Ginger Trautman.

Presenting this year's Business & Industry
Partners in Literacy awards were Board
President, Geordie Wilson and Executive
Director, Laurie Fisher. Awards were presented
to two local partners. Recipients included the
team from Postern for being a strong partner to
the Literacy Council's efforts to raise visibility in
the community about the importance of literacy
programs through marketing.



<u>Visit Frederick - Tourism Council of Frederick County</u> was also recognized with a **Business & Industry Partners in Literacy** award for its support in expanding the Workplace Literacy Program in the tourism and hospitality industry.



# Congratulations to all of our partners for building literacy pathways in our community!

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## **UPCOMING Events**

## Holiday Children's Book Drive: Nov. 14 - Dec. 19



Holiday Book Drive The Literacy Council is partnering with FCB Bank, a Division of ACNB Bank and Curious Iguana to provide new and gently-used books for elementary school-aged children.

### **FCB Bank Branch Drop-Off Locations**

2 North Market Street 165A Thomas Johnson Drive 6910 Crestwood Boulevard 490 Monocacy Boulevard 200 Commerce Drive

You can also shop online through Curious Iguana's <u>Bookshop link</u> for direct shipment. Help share the <u>Holiday Book Drive flyer</u> with friends and family!

#### **Learn More Here**

## **Get Ready For Giving Tuesday: Nov 29**

#GivingTuesday is a global movement of generosity that is more vital in 2022 than ever. Join us on Tuesday, November 29, for a day dedicated to uplifting communities, empowering nonprofits, and celebrating kindness.



Ready to make a contribution to support literacy?

**Donate Today** 

### **Volunteer Tutors & Class Instructors Needed**

Join the Literacy Council in supporting adults in our community! We are looking for volunteers with ESL teaching experience to lead classes and those who may or may not have teaching experience to help tutor adult learners. Classes and tutoring are meeting remotely and in person. For more information, check out our Winter <a href="Volunteer Training Schedule">Volunteer Training Schedule</a> or contact us at: <a href="info@frederickliteracy.org">info@frederickliteracy.org</a>.

## **Volunteer Information Sessions**

Thursday, November 17 • 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 11 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, January 17 • 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 8 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tuesday, February 21 • 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Attendance of a Volunteer Information Session (via Zoom) is required prior to registering for our Tutor Training Workshop.

### **Register Today**

## **Tutor Training Workshops**

Tuesday & Wednesday, November 29 & 30 • 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. AND Tuesday, December 6 • 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.\*

#### OR

Tuesday & Thursday, January 24, 2023, & January 26, 2023, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. AND Tuesday, January 31, 2023, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.\*

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Saturday, February 25, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. & Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 6:30-8:30 p.m.\*\*

\*Attendance at all three sessions (via Zoom) is required.

\*\*Attendance at both sessions (via Zoom) is required.

## **Student Class Schedule**

Fall classes are currently underway! Registration for Winter classes will be in December. It is wonderful to have our classroom buzzing with the sound of our students conversing and learning!

Volunteer tutors and instructors, please contact us if you have ESL classroom experience and are interested in teaching a class! View our current student <u>Class Schedule</u> to learn more about the Literacy Council's class instruction program. We offer beginner, intermediate, and advanced-level classes.

For more information about eligibility and registration procedures, contact our office at <a href="mailto:info@frederickliteracy.org">info@frederickliteracy.org</a> or (301) 600-2066.

# SPECIAL Thanks

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## The Gift of Literacy: Ways to Give

Thank you for considering a gift to the Literacy Council! Your financial contribution supports critical adult literacy programs in our community!

- Gifts can be made in cash or online with a credit card.
- Become an <u>event sponsor</u>.
- 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.
- Contribute to <u>The Betty Seligmann Literacy Endowment Fund</u>.
- Our <u>Giving Societies</u> are special charitable opportunities to champion the Literacy Council's mission.
- Access our Annual Reports/Newsletters.

Questions: Contact us at (301) 600-2066 or info@frederickliteracy.org



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