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The [Literacy Council of Frederick County](#) 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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Recruiting Office/Program Administrator, Community Outreach Coordinator, Workplace Literacy ESOL Instructors

**Join Our
Team!**

The Literacy Council of Frederick County is now accepting applicants for a full-time **Office/Program Administrator**, a part-time **Community Outreach Coordinator** for the Workplace Literacy Program in the hospitality/tourism industry, and experienced **ESOL instructors**.

The Literacy Council of Frederick County is seeking candidates who are interested in joining a growing team of nonprofit professional staff and volunteers who are dedicated to supporting adult basic education and literacy programs for a diverse community of adult learners and their families.

ESOL instructors will teach workplace classes using a curriculum concentrating on English language literacy and life skills. Each class will comprise of adult English language learners working for local businesses.

Does this sound like you or someone you know?

[Learn More Here](#)

LEARNER Spotlight

Meet Fatemah



We invite you to meet Fatemah, our featured student this month in our “Learner Spotlight.”

I am Fatemah from Afghanistan. I want to be happy and joyful and do my responsibilities to make a better world. I want to write stories and give hope to people. I am learning how I can write in English and everybody in the world can read that. Thank you, Literacy Council!

We hope you enjoy Fatemah’s written work, “War and Peace.” Read about Fatemah and view all of our students’ stories on our [Reflections: Voices of English Learners](#) web page!

[Read More Here](#)

VOLUNTEER Spotlight

Meet Carolyn

As part of our strategic plan to expand programs to meet higher demands, new class instructors have been recruited to teach English Conversation classes. Carolyn graciously stepped up to facilitate a Beginner ESL Conversation Class in the Winter and Spring Community Class Sessions.

With her background in teaching, Carolyn has done a phenomenal job of connecting and learning with students!



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Staff Recognized for Touching Lives Awards

We are proud to honor staff members Kim Brown and Victoria dos Santos as 2023 Touching Lives awardees for their work as Program and Workplace Coordinators at the Literacy Council!



2023 TOUCHING LIVES

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The [Touching Lives in Frederick County Award](#) offers public recognition for non-management staff members who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and involvement by touching the lives of others.

This year, [18 honorees](#) were selected by the Nonprofit Alliance from the [Frederick County Chamber of Commerce](#). Honorees were recognized as a group at the [Nonprofit Summit](#) on May 11th at New Spire Arts.

[Learn More Here](#)

Teams Enjoy Energetic Scrabble Mania For Literacy Fundraiser!

Thank you to our sponsors, teams, and players for joining us on May 3rd at Steinhardt Brewing Company! Game Master Chris Sparks from [Surelocked In Escape Games](#) led a rousing evening of Scrabble and camaraderie!

Congratulations to our top two winning teams from ACNB Bank, the *Frederick Money Savers & Scrabble Rabble!*



Thank You For Supporting Our Online Auction For Literacy

Thanks to everyone's support, we raised over \$10,000 in our online auction! ***We still have some great items available!*** Check out the remaining selection on our auction site, BiddingOwl:



<https://www.biddingowl.com/LiteracyCouncilFrederick>

Click on **View Items** at the top left of the home page, then **All Items**

Click on **Sort Items** on the top right, then select **Low > High**.

Click on the items to see a detailed description, stated value, opening bid, and photographs.

All items listed with no bids (US \$0.00) are still available! Contact the Literacy Council at (301) 600-2066 or info@frederickliteracy.org if you are interested in making a bid on any items.

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Literacy Council History - Tutoring for Detention Center Inmates

In July 1982, Norman Paul, a retired engineer from Johns Hopkins, became a certified tutor and began "a second career" that would last for 20 years. His efforts began at the old South Street Jail where he tutored students four days a week.

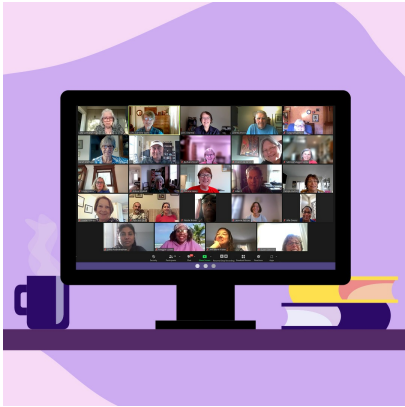
In 1990 he launched a project where inmates who had achieved literacy went on to tutor other inmates. In 2001 alone, 68 students were tutored. Twenty attained their GEDs and five received 8th grade diplomas. In the course of 20 years, Norm brought literacy to at least 400 people. He continued tutoring the incarcerated until 2002, shortly before his passing.



Learn More Here

UPCOMING Events

Recruiting Volunteer Tutors and Community Class Instructors



Join the Literacy Council to help adults in our community gain literacy skills! We are recruiting **volunteer tutors** to work with adults one-to-one or in small groups. You do not need previous experience. We will give you the training and teaching materials you need! We are also seeking **volunteer class instructors** with ESL teaching experience for our growing community class program. Tutoring and classes are conducted in person as well as virtual formats.

Congratulations to our May Tutor Training Workshop Graduates!

For upcoming **Volunteer Information Sessions** and **Tutor Training Workshops**, check out our Summer [Volunteer Training Schedule](#). Please register [HERE](#) or contact us at: info@frederickliteracy.org. Additional sessions and workshops will be added to the schedule in the coming weeks.

Attend a Volunteer Information Session

Wednesday, June 7, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 22, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Monday, July 10, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 13, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 2, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Thursday, August 17, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 6, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 14, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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

Attend a Training Workshop for Tutors

Monday & Wednesday, July 17 & July 19, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
and Monday, July 24, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.*

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

Attend an Orientation for Class Instructors

If you are interested in more information about teaching a class, following attendance at a Volunteer Information Session, contact the Literacy Council at info@frederickliteracy.org. Orientations are conducted for instructors in preparation for upcoming class sessions.

Register for a Volunteer Info Session Today

Student Classes - Spring Classes Underway

View our current student [Class Schedule](#) to learn more about the Literacy Council's class instruction program. We offer beginner, intermediate, and advanced-level classes. Classes for the Spring Session are currently underway and we are working on our Summer Session.

Many thanks to our amazing volunteer instructors!

Volunteer tutors and instructors, please contact us if you have ESL classroom experience and are interested in teaching a class!

For registration information,
contact our office at info@frederickliteracy.org or (301) 600-2066.

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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 [event sponsor](#).
- Gifts of [Appreciated Securities](#) can provide tax advantages.
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