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LITERACY VOLUNTEERS

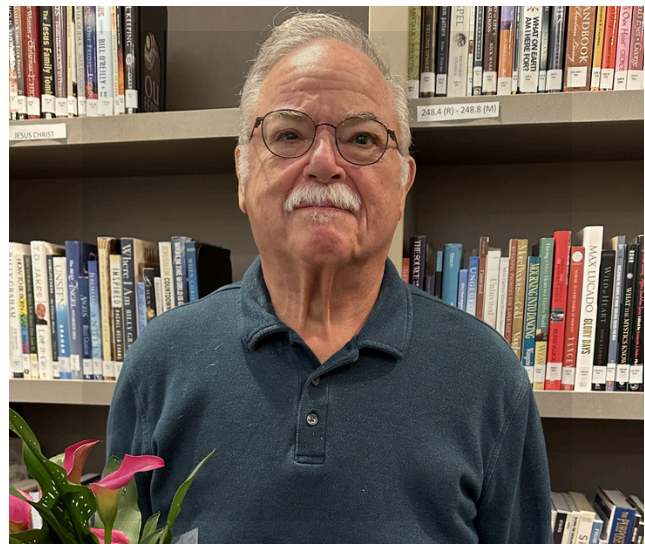
INSIGHTS AND UPDATES

Lives Changed Through Literacy



MEET OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

From left to right: Jane Weaver, Julianna Mish, Rev. Jim Reed (Pres.), Nancy Lichtenfels, Chris Hall, Pat Lurvey (Exec. Dir), John O'Neill (Treas.), Penny Sermons (V.Pres) and Kevin Matsil (past Pres.). Missing from picture: Dianne Lee, June Zurface, Robin Smart and Marie Freeman-Barber



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Kevin Matsil joined Literacy Volunteers after taking the Tutor Training Class in 2018. He became a Board member soon after and has served as President for five years. During that time, he has often lent his numerous skills in cooking. He has become famous for his corn chowder soup during our wintertime soup fundraisers. During Covid he and Pat Lurvey distributed free books in the parking lot of First Christian Church. He has been a waiter at our Pizza Inn fundraiser and at the annual card party. A man of many talents who has graciously shared them whatever the organization needed. Thanks Kevin!

Our Mission

To empower adult citizens of Beaufort County by providing free, confidential, one-to-one tutoring in the "Literacies": Reading, Writing, English, (including speaking and ESL), Science, Digital, Financial and Citizenship for their personal enrichment and improved job skills



In Remembrance

Dr. James Pressley

Founder of Literacy Volunteers of Beaufort County, James S. Pressley passed away on April 12, 2023 in Cary, N.C. He and his wife Frances K. Pressley started the organization in 2001 while living in Cypress Landing in Chocowinity. Dr. Pressley was a three-time graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill in Education Administration as well as a M.A. Ed from Baptist Theological Institute. During his career, he served several churches and later joined NC public schools as a teacher, supervisor, and Superintendent. He joined the East Carolina University's School of education in 1987 and was instrumental in the training of many principals and superintendents until his retirement in 2002.

Program Snapshot

Students 2023

- *40 students served
- *63% were new intakes
- *30% were over the age of 50
- *25 Females/15 males
- *92% tested at 8th grade or better

Instruction

- *LVBC had 593 active tutoring hours
- *32% studied for GED
- *25% learned reading
- *55% met one or more goals



Terre Ceia Hispanic Outreach

Working with the Terre Ceia Christian Reformed Church, Literacy Volunteers provided English as a Second Language (ESL) tutor training to 7 members. Pat Lurvey Executive Director and Trainer presented the 4-session workshop beginning on February 1st. Participants received training in the culture of Mexico and how adults learn. Other topics included teaching pronunciation, vocabulary, grammar, word families, language experience approach, reading and writing. Outreach leader, Ruth DeHoog planned a fun first evening Feb 13th for Hispanic friends who were interested in learning while staff members helped with applications and placement testing. Nine neighbors signed up the first night and more have committed since the initial "kickoff."

Front row L to R : Ruth DeHoog, Gerda Rhodes, Lynn Ten Harmssel
Back Row L to R: Bernie DeHoog, Jan VanStaalduinen, Jan DeHoog, Ann Maatman

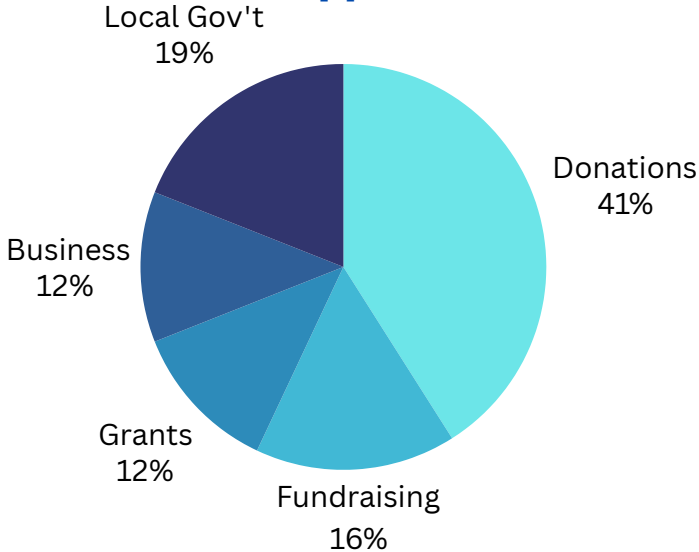
2023 Fund Giving and Financials

Our organization could not exist without our dedicated volunteers.

Last year, between tutors and our army of volunteers, 1796 hours were given to the support of our students and our organization. According to Independent Sector which values a volunteer hour at \$31.80, that's a total contribution of \$57,112.80 and all of our support stays local.

Thank You Volunteers!

Support



Special Thank You

"I can't thank you enough for the awesome job your services provided for Tyrone. He was just amazed at the teaching of Mr. John. Tyrone took his Math test and passed. Wow is all I can say. He is now ready to graduate with his diploma. We are all so happy and proud of him. Without Mr. John and his dedicated services, it would not have happened. Thank You."

E. Prayer

Your Dollars at Work

\$25 will support 1 student increasing 1 level in Math
\$50 will buy the resources necessary to train 1 new tutor

\$100 will give 4 students GED prep workbooks
\$250 will buy 2 sets of texts to obtain a Career Readiness Certificate

\$500 will secure a year's subscription to an online software program

How Can You Help?

- * Make a financial gift, online or by mail.
- *Support with regular monthly donations through your credit or debit card.
- *Include Literacy Volunteers in your planned giving.
- *Become engaged as a Board Member or Committee member.
- *Donate your time as a tutor through either in-person or distance learning.
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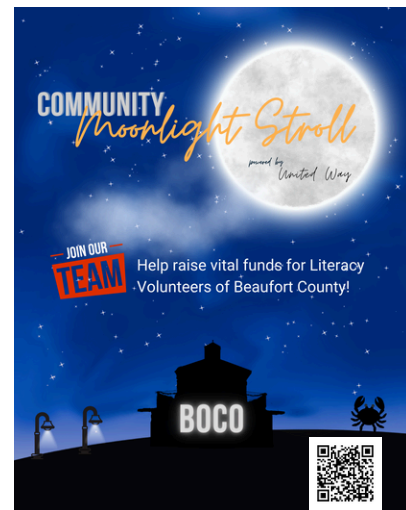
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