



# Literacy Volunteers of Morris County

## 2020 Highlights

And what a year it was! When the pandemic hit, LVMC transformed almost overnight to a digital program. Our tutors valiantly learned new computer skills and teaching techniques so that they were able to continue to help their students remotely. We learned to appreciate the resilience of our tutors and students, and the importance of maintaining connections during the hard times. We found that remote instruction worked well for many and will remain part of our program even when face-to-face meetings become possible again.

We could not have survived without the help and support of our amazing tutors, students, donors, and champions. Thank you all for giving the Gift of Literacy, and for making our small part of the world a better place.

### The year in numbers

456 students served

47 new tutors trained

290 active tutors

50% of students met one of their literacy goals

Students accomplished 100 of their employment goals

199 students significantly improved their ability to speak English

144 students were better able to manage their everyday survival needs

8 students became U.S. citizens

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100% of our funding comes from individual donors, local businesses, and foundations.

Ninety cents out of every dollar raised goes directly to support our programs.

Your support will help us:

- Recruit and train new volunteers
- Purchase tutoring materials
- Match tutors and students
- Provide ongoing support to volunteers and students

Your gift of:

- \$40 will provide a one-year digital subscription to a newspaper designed for new readers
- \$50 will pay for on-line GED materials
- \$100 will provide materials and support for an English as a Second Language student for one year
- \$150 will provide materials and support for one Basic Literacy student for one year
- \$ 500 will pay for training 25 new tutors
- \$1,000 will cover the cost of citizenship classes for one year
- \$1,500 will cover the costs maintaining our library of tutoring materials for one year
- \$ 2,000 will pay our phone bill for a full year

*Thank you for giving the Gift of Literacy*

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# Our Year in Pictures



Our annual Turkey Trot went virtual

Tutor Ellen visiting the LVMC library, pre-pandemic



Pre-pandemic, students in Christine's class learned to make jewelry as they practiced their English



In February, we "Raised a Racquet" for Literacy

# Our Fans

"I am a waiter, and this class has been very good for it. This year I got a promotion."  
Ricardo from Colombia

"I get much more from this program than I ever imagined would be possible. And probably more enjoyment and benefit than the students I'm working with."  
Tutor Dave Mazurowski

"This class helped me prepare for my citizenship test."  
New citizen Meizhu, from China

"My tutor Ms Janet is just wonderful! I don't even have enough words to thank her and Literacy Volunteers for everything you have done for me."  
Karina from Brazil

"My class has helped me understand English more. I feel confident in an English speaking society. I can now better understand my doctor."  
Valentin from Ukraine

"I am so happy I found this place. This year I got a new job and a promotion."  
Rosa from Ecuador