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For Immediate Release

Rockford, IL (February 24, 2010) – The Literacy Council announces the receipt of a \$12,000 grant from the Community Needs Annual Grant Pass-Thru Fund of the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. This grant will support Year 2 of the Literacy Council’s READY to Learn Evaluation Project with Circles of Learning.

John Hurley, Executive Director for The Literacy Council, said “this grant will enable The Literacy Council to continue fulfilling its mission of strengthening communities by providing literacy instruction to the three counties it serves.”

About The Literacy Council:

The Literacy Council exists to strengthen communities by providing literacy instruction to individuals and families through one-on-one free confidential tutoring and small group instruction.

More than 40,000 adults in the Rockford region read below the 5th grade level and struggle with daily tasks. The Literacy Council was founded in 1985 and started with 40 adult students. Currently the Council serves over 4,000 people annually.

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