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The Literacy Council Seeks Volunteer Tutors

ROCKFORD, IL (March 31, 2010) ---

There are more than 40,000 adults in the Rockford region who read below the 5th grade level and struggle daily with many tasks.

The Literacy Council seeks individuals to become volunteer tutors. According to Stephanie Larson, Literacy Coordinator, there are over 70 persons on a waiting list to be paired with a tutor.

In a workshop series, volunteers learn techniques for teaching reading or English as a Second Language to adults. After attendance at five 3-hour workshop sessions, tutors are matched with a learner for one-on-one instruction for two hours each week over a period of one year.

The next FREE tutor training workshop will begin April 12 from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm at the North Suburban District Library in Loves Park. Individuals interested in sharing the joy of reading with an adult should call Stephanie at The Literacy Council at 815.963.READ.

About the Literacy Council:

The Literacy Council exists to strengthen the community by providing literacy instruction to individuals and families through one-on-one free confidential tutoring and small group instruction. Instruction is provided by volunteer tutors who must be over the age of 18, have a high school diploma, possess good communication skills, a caring personality, and a willingness to make and keep a commitment to the learner.

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