

GRWDB Literacy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 2 p.m.

27 Warren St., second-floor conference room (2A), Somerville

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The **mission** of the GRWDB's Literacy Committee is to coordinate Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning programs across Hunterdon and Somerset Counties so that adults at all levels of literacy have access to quality literacy education that will help them develop the basic skills needed to:

- Earn a high school equivalency diploma
- Obtain and retain employment
- Progress to post-secondary education and apprenticeships
- Earn industry-recognized credentials
- Gain and maintain financial independence
- Become active and contributing members of the community

The Literacy Committee is a mechanism for collaboration, strategic planning, sharing and leveraging resources, and seeking additional sources of funding. Member literacy organizations focus on instruction that helps adults develop skills determined to be minimum pre-requisite qualifications for employment or training, including reading, writing, listening, speaking, critical thinking, problem solving, numeracy, soft skills and digital literacy.

The committee welcomes members from all sectors of the community including state-funded literacy providers, other literacy services providers, employers, social services and human services agencies, and members of the general public with expertise and interest in adult literacy in the two counties.

- I. Introductions
- II. Feb. 7, 20232, [Meeting Minutes](#)*
- III. Keeping the Shared Program Document updated
- IV. [Literacy funding proposal](#) update
- V. Discussion on navigating clients through the system: Literacy Volunteers had a student in their office who spoke no English and was looking for a job. Using the system flyers, Lam made a few calls and talked to a few very helpful people. Request: "It would help to understand which career services are appropriate for different levels of students. i.e, beginner-level English educated in home country; beginner-level English very low levels of education; immigration status concerns; English proficiency concerns, etc)."
- VI. Other business
- VII. Adjournment

* Please click on the hyperlinked items to view supporting documents