

## **GRWDB Literacy Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, July 16, 2024, 1 p.m. (rescheduled from July 30)

**Join the meeting:** [Launch Meeting - Zoom](#)

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. May 7, 2024, [Meeting Minutes](#)\*
- III. 2025 Title II NGO – local interest and status of current programs
- IV. Ending of Learning Link funding in July 2024 and what is expected to come
- V. Fall plans for Literacy partners – programs, application periods and assessment dates
- VI. Fall plans for First Steps programming – resuming existing classes, adding classes (funding available) and fall enrollment process
- VII. Discussion: how to get students through the system and into “next steps”
- VIII. Funding status for 2025 and virtual summer programming
- IX. Other business and adjournment

\* Please click on the hyperlinked items to view supporting documents