

OLLI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR

LITERACY COUNCIL ESOL PROGRAM

EMPOWERING LIVES THROUGH LITERACY

PROGRAM SPECIFICS:

- **WHY IT MATTERS:** There are thousands of immigrants in Buncombe County who have limited ability to speak, read or write in English. English literacy can help these members of our community move out of poverty, advocate for their families, and participate more fully in American life. The Literacy Council has a long waiting list of students eager to gain English literacy skills.
- **WHEN:** Tutors meet with students two hours each week at a time and place that are mutually convenient. Tutoring space is available at the Literacy Council.
- **VOLUNTEER ROLE:** Guide the student through lesson plans, which include speaking, reading and writing exercises; answer student's questions and provide encouragement and, if desired, go to community venues (e.g., the grocery store) with the student. For some students, instruction will include preparation for the citizenship exam and interview.
- **YOUR COMMITMENT:** A one- year commitment is required. Substitutes are readily available when you are out of town or otherwise unable to tutor for several weeks.
- **QUALIFICATION:** No background in teaching or in speaking another language is required. The Literacy Council provides books and detailed lesson plans, as well as training and ongoing support. It also offers opportunities for tutors to socialize and for students and tutors to come together for fun activities.

For Additional Information: <https://litcouncil.com>

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