

175,000

adults in Oakland County function at the
LOWEST LEVELS of LITERACY and NUMERACY

They may struggle to:



fill out a
job application



read e-mails from
their child's teacher



understand a
medicine label



count change or
balance a checkbook

1/3 of American workers do not have basic digital skills.*

Low-income individuals are most likely to lack devices,
high-speed Internet, and the skills to navigate technology.

LOW LITERACY and NUMERACY costs the U.S.

**\$457
billion**

U.S. annual lost revenue due to
underemployment and
unemployment, plus increased
public spending on health services.

*(Sources: National Council for Adult Learning,
American Journal of Public Health)*



Children of functionally illiterate adults
have a 72% chance of winding up
functionally illiterate themselves,
perpetuating the cycle of lost opportunity.

(Source: National Bureau of Economic Health)

But less than 10% of adults in need are receiving services.**

Oakland Literacy Council is the only organization
solely dedicated to ending adult illiteracy in Oakland County,
serving four groups of low-literate adults.



All adults at the
lowest levels of
reading and math.



Those seeking a
high school
equivalency credential



Those seeking to
improve their
job prospects



Those seeking
citizenship

We believe literacy is a right, not a privilege, that all are entitled to.

The **MISSION** of Oakland Literacy Council since 1984 is to empower adults with literacy skills to thrive in today's dynamic and digital world, fostering *confidence, independence, and opportunity.*

We serve **ADULT LEARNERS** who live, work, or go to school in Oakland County and have reading, writing, English speaking, or math skills below the 9th grade level or lack basic digital skills.

Our **INDIVIDUALIZED PROGRAM** meets the unique needs of each learner with one-on-one instruction from highly-trained tutors, online self-study, and group learning to accelerate progress and create personal connections.

Through **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**, we create pathways for students to job training, employment, and GED programs.



Reading



Writing



Speaking



Math



Digital Skills

With your support, the Council will deliver 18,000 hours of instruction to 200+ adult learners in 2021.



One-on-one
tutoring



No cost to
students



Flexible
scheduling



Laptops and
hotspots available



Customized
curriculum



Citizenship
preparation

YOU can end adult illiteracy in Oakland County!

Act now to bring literacy and numeracy to every adult by:



Making a
donation



Becoming a volunteer tutor
and/or promoting tutoring to
your friends and coworkers



Offering literacy
instruction in your
workplace

Call 248.253.1617 or e-mail info@oaklandliteracy.com to learn more about how you can help.

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