

Yolo Reads Volunteer



Yolo County Library – Volunteer Program

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Position Overview and Impact:

According to the National Center for Education Statistics most recent study, one in six Yolo residents cannot read and write sufficiently to carry out day-to-day activities at work and home. Adult literacy tutors assist English speaking adults (called adult learners) to meet their reading and writing goals. Learner goals may include reading to grandchildren, completing a written driver license exam, creating a resume or acquiring new computer skills.

Key Responsibilities:

- Meet regularly with an adult, or a small group of adults, to provide tutoring.
- Work with an adult learner to identify his/her reading and writing goals and map out a plan to meet those goals.
- Work with Yolo Reads and library to find materials to assist in the tutoring process.
- Engage the learner in tutoring sessions based on his/her interests and goals
- Complete short monthly reports.
- Attend volunteer trainings and meetings.

Qualifications:

- No experience necessary
- Interest in building a learning relationship with another adult
- At least a moderate level of computer proficiency is preferred.
- Good organizational abilities
- Minimum age is 18

Training and Support Provided:

- A three hour orientation
- Tutoring materials are provided
- Ongoing support is provided by Yolo Reads staff and local library branch staff

Time Commitment:

- Two hour shift per week
- 6th month commitment requested

Benefits of Volunteering:

- Help the library provide valuable literacy services to the community.
- Assist an adult in your community to reach their personal reading and writing goals.