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Promoting Literacy in Yolo County

(Woodland, CA) – Did you know that one in six Yolo County residents cannot read and write sufficiently to carry out day-to-day activities at work and at home? Help make a difference by volunteering to provide free confidential support and instruction to English-speaking adult learners for Yolo County Library’s Yolo Reads program, a free literacy program serving all of Yolo County.

No experience is necessary to volunteer and the hours are flexible. Volunteers only need to contribute two hours a week and will receive training and materials from the Yolo Reads program to confidently support their adult learner. Residents can also support the Yolo Reads program by spreading the word to those who would benefit from participating.

Currently there are 47 volunteers who donate their time and talents to the program. These volunteers work one-on-one with 51 adults and families to help them meet their literacy goals, which may include being more confident at work, understanding and assisting with their children’s homework, pursuing secondary education, improving their ability to communicate with others or participating in their civic duty.

“We may all know at least one person who has difficulty reading or writing in English,” said Yolo County Librarian Patty Wong. “Consider volunteering for Yolo Reads and help people reach their literacy goals.”

Current tutors and learners have commented:

- “I am so thankful.”
- “This program means a lot to me.”
- “I get to help someone learn to read.”
- “I am so happy to be able to pass the joy of reading to someone new.”
- “In the small town I grew up in, there were barely any education opportunities for women but thanks to Yolo Reads, I am able to learn so much.”

Join the Yolo Reads program and learn how you can make a difference in someone’s life. The Yolo County Library supports the learning and personal development of communities and residents and provides access to information for all. For more information call Yolo Reads at: (866) 609-7303 (toll free) or e-mail: LibraryVolunteer@yolocounty.org. Visit the Yolo County Library at:

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