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## Volunteer for Yolo Reads This Family Literacy Month

**(Woodland, CA)** – The Yolo County Library’s Adult & Family Literacy program, Yolo Reads, is seeking tutors for English-speaking adult learners in need. Additional volunteer opportunities are available for those who can assist with outreach and organizational support. Becoming a volunteer tutor provides life-changing literacy skills to members of our community and offers a meaningful outlet for volunteers.

Since 2008, Yolo Reads has provided free and confidential instruction to English-speaking adults who wish to improve their reading, speaking, and writing skills. Learners receive one-on-one support from volunteer tutors, along with free workbooks and other learning materials. They also receive personal guidance in utilizing Yolo County Library collections and resources. Recently, family learning has become a cornerstone of Yolo Reads.

Parents and caregivers in the program gain the tools necessary to help their children succeed in school. Literacy empowers families, enabling them to make informed choices that lead to safer and healthier lives. Adult learners in Yolo Reads often progress in their formal education and can better support themselves and their families by acquiring professional skills.

One in six Yolo County residents lacks sufficient reading and writing skills to carry out daily activities at work and home. “Our most effective form of program recruitment is word of mouth. Please share the benefits of Yolo Reads with your friends, family, and colleagues, and consider volunteering to help adult learners improve their reading and writing skills to achieve their life goals,” said Yolo Reads Coordinator Nancy Pacheco.

No experience is necessary to become a tutor; hours are flexible, and Yolo Reads provides all the required training and materials. Tutoring spaces are available at each of the Yolo County Library branches, ensuring that everyone in our community has access to this valuable resource.

To learn more about this opportunity, please call Yolo Reads at (530) 666-8019 or email Nancy Pacheco at [Nancy.Pacheco@YoloCounty.org](mailto:Nancy.Pacheco@YoloCounty.org).

For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit [www.YoloCountyLibrary.org](http://www.YoloCountyLibrary.org) or connect with the Library on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/YoloCountyLibrary.org](http://www.Facebook.com/YoloCountyLibrary.org).

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