



LITERACY COALITION OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

Leading Through Reading

OUR MISSION: IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY BY PROMOTING AND ACHIEVING LITERACY

THE NEED

16% of the **14,737** babies born in Palm Beach County in 2019 were to mothers who had not graduated from high school.

46% of our third graders read below grade level.

22.2% of adults age 16 or older in Palm Beach County lack basic literacy skills.

29% of residents age five or older speak a language other than English.

The Coalition provides programs countywide to help individuals improve their literacy skills and is active in the National Campaign for Grade Level Reading to help children learn to read so they may read to learn.

For more information:
(561) 279-9103 | LiteracyPBC.org
The Blume Literacy Center
3651 Quantum Blvd., Boynton Beach, FL 33426

OUR PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

ADULT LITERACY

- Outreach to Adult Learners and Volunteer Tutors
- Train Volunteer Tutors
- Share Resources with Adult Literacy Providers
- **Workplace and Community Education** provides instruction for local employees and residents of under served neighborhoods.

FAMILY LITERACY

- **Glades Family Education Program**, Belle Glade
- **Village Readers Family Education Program**, Delray Beach

CHILDREN'S LITERACY

Building Better Readers

Recruits and trains volunteers who provide one-to-one reading tutoring for children at elementary schools and the Literacy Center.

Reach Out and Read

Partners with pediatricians to provide books and advice to parents about reading to their children.

Read! Lead! Succeed!

Educates children in after school programs and summer camps through a literature based, social-emotional learning program.

Stories and STEM

Uses children's literature and hands-on activities to teach science, technology, engineering and math lessons in afterschool programs and summer camps.

LITERACY AMERICORPS

Up to 40 members giving **56,574** hours of tutoring, mentoring and coaching to children, teens and adults.

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

Read Together Palm Beach County

Our one-book, one-community campaign, in which adults read the same book and gather to discuss the key themes in book discussions and in book clubs.

Read for the Record Palm Beach County

The Coalition coordinates hundreds of volunteers and municipal leaders each year to read a high-quality chosen book to thousands of children on the same day.

OUR 2021-2022 IMPACT IN PALM BEACH COUNTY

The Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County is dedicated to ensuring that individuals receive the help they need to develop or improve their literacy skills. Annually, we provide services to 49,867 adults, teens, children and families through nine programs at 159 sites from Jupiter to Boca Raton to Belle Glade. We provide literacy instruction in family education programs and at workplace or community sites. Our Literacy

AmeriCorps members teach, tutor, mentor and provide homework help in libraries, schools and nonprofit agencies. Our work with children includes collaborating with pediatricians who advise parents about the importance of reading with their children. We recruit, train and support volunteers who tutor children that are struggling readers and we teach literature-based, activity-driven curriculums in afterschool programs and summer camps.

We served
49,867
adults, children,
youth and families
through our programs

Literacy AmeriCorps
members provided
29,616 hours of service
– teaching, tutoring and
mentoring • 200 adults
• 1,030 teens • 240 children

We distributed
112,457
books to children,
families and
organizations



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The Literacy Coalition is recognized in the top 1% of charities nationwide and has earned 14 consecutive 4-out-of-4 star ratings from Charity Navigator.