



Volunteer Adult Literacy Tutor Application

Submit to 1209 King St. West, Unit 2 or email jo@parkdaleprojectread.org

Parkdale Project Read (PPR) is a community-based organization offering literacy services free of charge to adults (age 18 and over) who are fluent in English. We believe that literacy is much more than reading and writing, it includes building confidence, speaking out, health and wellness, taking on new challenges, conflict resolution, and relationship building.

PPR supports people in achieving their learning goals by creating a place where they can explore new possibilities, move forward in their lives, and become more active in their communities. We provide programming that encourages learners to bring their whole self (body, mind, emotions and spirit) to learning.

We are seeking volunteers (ages 19 and older) to be a one-to-one tutor for adult learners. Commitment is 2 hours a week, for at least one year. Volunteers will support learners develop skills they are interested in – such as reading, writing, math and computers. We are especially in need of volunteers who experience working with consumer/survivors of the mental health system and/or teaching English as a second language.

Responsibilities:

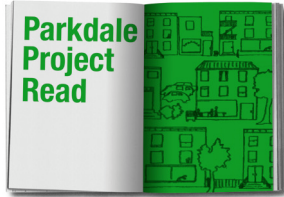
- Attend mandatory volunteer training
- Create a supportive and encouraging learning environment for learners
- Support learners in working toward their short-term and long-term learning goals
- Commit to meeting with a learner for 2 hours per week, for at least 1 year
- Check in with PPR staff for support and resources as needed

Skills and Qualifications:

- An understanding of issues faced by marginalized communities
- An awareness of anti-oppression and social justice issues
- An interest in literacy and adult education
- Strong writing skills
- Good listening and speaking skills in English
- Friendly, punctual and reliable
- Have an open mind and believe that all people can learn

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We appreciate your interest but due to the number of applicants, we will only contact those selected for an interview. Interviews are scheduled a few weeks before our quarterly Tutor Training sessions. Thank you for your consideration.



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Volunteer Adult Literacy Tutors at Parkdale Project Read are required to take attend a 15 hour Tutor Training. We request a one-year commitment for a minimum of two hours a week. Thank you for your consideration, but due to the number of applicants, we will only contact applicants selected for interviews.

Date: _____ **Received (FOR OFFICE USE):** _____

Contact Info

Name:

Occupation:

Address:

Phone number:

Email:

How did you find out about us?

Please tell us about your work and volunteer experience:

Why do you want to volunteer at Parkdale Project Read?



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What is your own definition of adult literacy?

List three qualities that you think are important for a volunteer literacy tutor to possess. Please explain why.

What do you think are some of the challenges facing an adult learner?

What interests, personal qualities, and experience do you have, that would help you in your role as a tutor?



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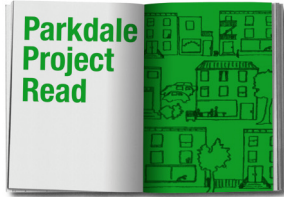
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At Project Read you will be working with people from different backgrounds, beliefs and values. How do you think your background may be different from the backgrounds of people you will be tutoring?

How would you deal with these differences?

How do you feel about your own experiences with education?

Do you have any comments or concerns?



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PPR is open Monday to Thursday 10 am to 8 pm. Please indicate if you are available during these times:

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	_____	_____	_____
Tuesday	_____	_____	_____
Wednesday	_____	_____	_____
Thursday	_____	_____	_____

Please provide two references (co-worker, friend, supervisor, or employer). Please do not list a family member.

Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

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I hereby confirm that all information in this application is true and accurate. I authorize PPR to check the above references:

Name: _____

Signature: _____
Applicant signature, or Parent or Guardian signature if under 18 years of age)

Date: _____

Emergency Contact Information

Optional – You can complete this section after you begin tutoring.

Name: _____ Relationship to you: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____