



# JULY 2018 Learning NEWS

Providing **Free** Adult Literacy Services  
at Sonoma County Libraries since 1986

## NEW Adult Literacy Materials!

We just received new books and materials for adult learners and tutors. We now have: new fiction readers, a promising new non-fiction collection called *Fact Finders*, new titles in the biography series collections (a favorite here in the literacy office), an expansion of the levels available in the excellent *Active Reader* workbook series and MORE.

We're excited about these materials, and we hope you and your adult learner will be too!

If you're in Santa Rosa, please stop by our adult literacy office and check out the new titles – we should have everything organized and on the shelves by mid-July. Or – let us know what you need and we'll send materials to you and your learner at the library branch you use for weekly tutoring sessions. [literacy@sonomalibrary.org](mailto:literacy@sonomalibrary.org)

## Tutors & Learners, Please Save The Date...

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

**4:30 – 5:30 pm**

*Adult Literacy Annual Celebration &  
2018 Student Writing Collection Release  
@the Santa Rosa Central Library  
Forum Room*

## Upcoming Holidays/Library Closures:

July 4<sup>th</sup> – All libraries closed Independence Day  
September 3 – All libraries closed Labor Day  
September 27 – All libraries closed – All-Staff Training

## READ by Example READ Together

We hope you and your learner are filling in the Bingo cards we sent in June. Participating together in the library's Adult Summer Reading Challenge is a great opportunity to build reading skills in a fun format. In addition to the Adult Reading Challenge, the library branches also have programs for children and teens – just ask at the front desk – so entire families can participate together. The Adult Summer Reading Bingo Challenge runs through August 31, 2018. For more information:

*Reading takes you everywhere.*

<https://sonomalibrary.org/summerreading2018>

## Help Us Spread the Word

Our Adult Literacy Program has small-group class opportunities that more of our adult learners should know about. Please share this information and encourage your adult learner to check out these classes if they align with their current literacy skill goals:

### 1. **REACH YOUR GOALS Class**

10 am- 11am Saturdays in Santa Rosa  
The Adult Literacy Office, 725 Third St.  
For all Adult Learners enrolled in the Adult Literacy Program and either working with a tutor or waiting for a tutor match. A great opportunity to receive targeted instruction on the literacy skills and topics most important to the learner.

### 2. **ENGLISH CONVERSATION CIRCLES**

11am – 12:30 Wednesdays & Saturdays  
The Adult Literacy Office in Santa Rosa  
*\*English Conversation Circle programs are also available: Wednesday evenings at the Sonoma Library & Monday evenings at the Windsor Library*

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## Library Commission Adopts Resolution in Support of Undocumented Residents/Immigrants/Dreamers

On June 4, 2018, the Sonoma County Library Commission adopted a Resolution in Support of Undocumented Residents/Immigrants/Dreamers - see [full text of the Resolution here](#). The Commission stated, "Now, therefore, be it *Resolved*, that the Sonoma County Library (SCL):"



1. Reaffirms its own "[Statement of Inclusivity](#)" "in light of the uncertainty many feel in our current society";
2. Commits to enacting policies and programs recognizing the diversity of our community and furthering the inclusion of all residents living in Sonoma County;
3. Supports DACA Dreamers and our immigrant community, providing services to all County residents regardless of residency status;
4. Provides the resources to information on legal assistance/guidance extended by the County and other agencies within the County and State to undocumented students, immigrants, and their families;
5. Continues Sonoma County Library policy of protecting the privacy of our patrons/customers by refusing to release any information regarding personal living situation, collections usage, or other information that might indicate the legal status regarding the documentation of students, families, and/or individuals, including allowing access to Library databases, permitting a search of any library branch or rural station, or responding to information requests by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement or others, unless the appropriate legal request and documents are presented;
6. Urges Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform to resolve the confounding issues around immigration; and
7. Encourages all residents to use the library regardless of documented status.

The mission of the Sonoma County Library is to bring information, ideas & PEOPLE together to build a stronger Community.

*Thank you for bringing life to these words through your work,  
helping to bring the knowledge of words to others in your community.*

~The Adult Literacy Team