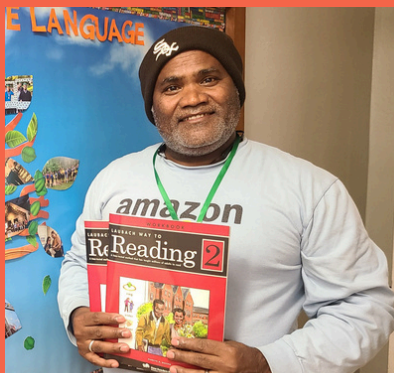




2024-2025 Impact Report





Student Spotlight: Jesse

Jesse enrolled at KLC with two goals in mind: to be able to read with his children and to get his CDL to get a better job. To achieve these goals he knew he needed to improve his reading and writing skills. He was ready to take on the challenge. Jesse worked diligently coming to class between work and family responsibilities. Sometimes his baby son even came along to his tutoring sessions. He progressed quickly and increased three levels in his reading and writing skills. Now Jesse uses his improved reading skills to read stories to his sons. He also recently achieved another one of his major goals by passing his written CDL test.

"I hope to inspire my sons and show them that with hard work and determination you can achieve your goals!"



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TRAINED
VOLUNTEER
TUTORS



10,480

HOURS OF
ENGLISH LITERACY
EDUCATION

ELL CIVICS PROGRAM

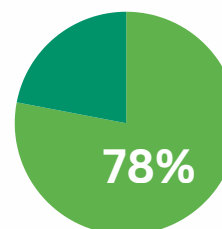
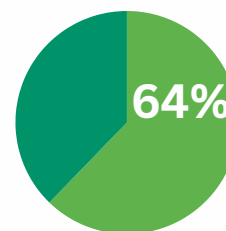
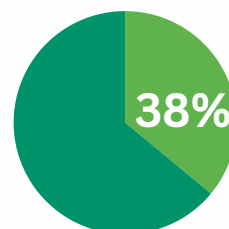
In KLC's ELL (English Language Learner) Civics classes experiential learning methods are used to explore important topics like public schools, health, finance, safety, housing and government. Students improve their English while also learning about the community. Hands-on activities, field trips and guest speakers play an important role in the ELL Civics classes. While learning about health literacy, for example, students do research to create a Medical Services Guide, learn about blood pressure and cholesterol from a registered nurse, practice exercise led by fitness experts, learn about healthy eating from a nutritionist and tour a local hospital. They are learning much more than how to read; they are learning to become leaders in their families and in our community!

SMALL GROUP CLASSES

A variety of small group classes give students the opportunity to practice English conversation and vocabulary while learning about important topics. For instance, students in KLC's book club read novels and prepare for a community book discussion. Conversation classes provide English Language Learners with the opportunity to practice conversation with their peers. Women in Focus workshop sessions bring in guest speakers and allow students to learn about important community topics.

CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

KLC's eight week citizenship class is offered several times a year. Students learn about the rights and responsibilities of U.S. citizenship, the N-400 application form and the application process. Students prepare for the civics and English tests that are required for naturalization. They also learn strategies for communication in the interview and resources for citizenship study. We are proud to report that 97% of the students that completed the class are prepared to pass the citizenship test.





556

ADULT LEARNERS



40

DIFFERENT COUNTRIES



TUTORING PROGRAMS

Kenosha Literacy Council's tutoring programs include drop-in tutoring and one-on-one tutoring. Drop-in tutoring is held at the Council four days a week. Adult learners are matched with volunteer tutors and work on individualized education plans. In the one-on-one tutoring program a volunteer tutor is paired with an adult learner and works with them weekly, at a library or other public place. Adult learners are able to build better practical English reading, writing and speaking skills in these personalized programs.

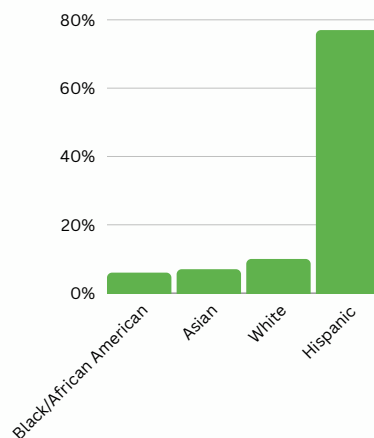
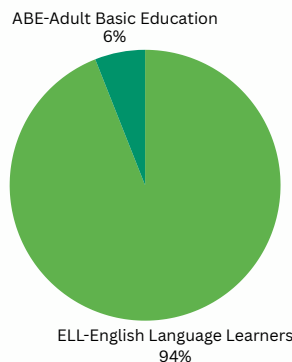
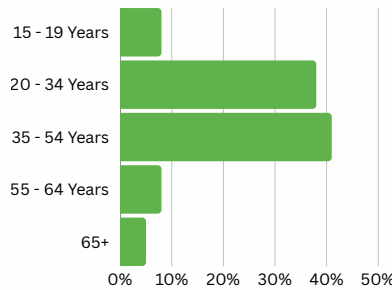
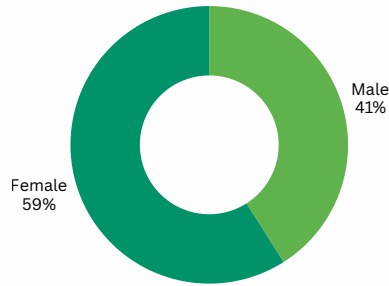
VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the heart of the Kenosha Literacy Council! In 2024-2025, 122 volunteers gave more than 4,000 hours of their time to help adult learners reach their goals. Our volunteers are changing lives every day! Tutor training sessions were held throughout the year for new tutors. Each new tutor was also required to complete online modules as part of the training. Two tutor in-service opportunities were held for current volunteers. The estimated value of volunteer time for 2025 is \$34 per hour. KLC's volunteers provided over \$100,000 worth of service to our community! KLC would not be able to provide the services it does without the assistance of volunteers.

OUR VOLUNTEERS PROVIDED

\$153,000

WORTH OF SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY!



Student Spotlight: Armandina

When Armandina enrolled in English classes at KLC she dreamed of becoming a teacher. With encouragement from KLC staff and her tutors she enrolled in classes at Gateway Technical College. She steadily worked towards her goal while continuing to improve her English. First, she completed courses in Early Childhood Education and began working as a licensed teacher at childcare center. Next, she graduated with her Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education. And now, most recently, she graduated from the University of Whitewater with a BA in Early Childhood Education with an emphasis in teaching.

"I wanted to learn English to improve myself and you helped me believe it was possible."



Friends of the Kenosha Literacy Council,

THANK YOU! With your support we were able to provide a year of great results for our adult learners and families.

We celebrate with students who receive promotions, get new jobs, attain their U.S. citizenship, and begin college classes. Our programs teach reading, writing and speaking skills to adults so they and their families can achieve financial independence, good health and greater involvement in our community. We give adult learners the tools they need to change their lives.

Your support makes this possible. You help us serve adults who participate in Kenosha Literacy Council programs. You create hope and opportunity for adults and families in our community.

Looking forward,

Cheryl Hernandez
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Executive Director

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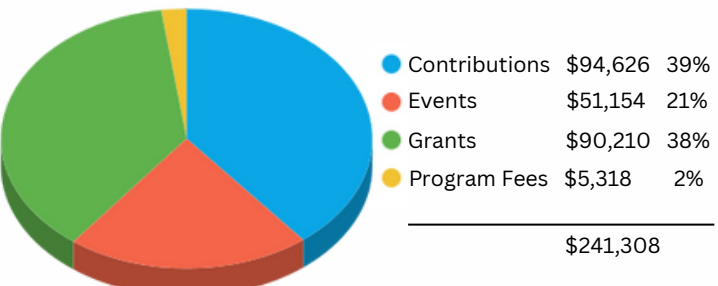
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