



South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council

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January 3, 2020,

The Municipality of Brockton
100 Scott Street, Box 68,
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Dear Mayor Peabody and Members of Brockton Council,

As Mayor and Councilors, you have historically given recognition to the importance of Youth Literacy by annually proclaiming Family Literacy Day on January 27th, joining other municipalities nationwide in this celebration. I would like to request that this proclamation be made again this year, for 2020

In conjunction with Family Literacy Day, we would be most grateful to receive financial support from the Municipality of Brockton. We are seeking \$300 in highly valued funding.

Based right here in South Grey Bruce, the Youth Literacy Council is a charitable non-profit organization which has been providing an effective Youth Literacy Program for twenty-five years, supporting young learners living in our community. We provide free confidential one-to-one tutoring for youth aged 6 to 18, who are struggling with reading, writing and/or math. We also seek alternative forms of bringing literacy skills to young people, such as our drama workshops. And we offer support and training to adult supporters of these learners, including workshops.

At the other end of the spectrum, we celebrate the benefits of literacy skills and contribute to the cultural enrichment of the area through activities and events such as writing. The success of this established program is well documented, reaching, as we do, learners with a variety of learning styles.

All this is done with one part-time staff member and a talented group of volunteers!

Help received early can bring a young person up to their grade level, while boosting confidence and self-esteem.

We serve the diverse rural communities throughout the South Grey Bruce Area, working in partnership with libraries, and community service organizations to support and assist family literacy. As well, we provide a learning resources library for community use and information sessions for families to support their learners.



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To maintain the tutor network and other support programs, we train and develop volunteers as literacy tutors, offering individuals a rewarding community experience. We are in contact with local high schools and welcome peer mentors as volunteers, which contributes meaningful community service credits.

We obtain funding from the United Way of Bruce Grey, area service organizations, private donations and fundraising events. But as always, municipal funding is vital, both in helping us to deliver our literacy program in support of local youth and because it demonstrates your confidence in our most important asset: the children of our community.

We look forward to hearing from you with respect to the Family Literacy Day proclamation. Please consider our request for funding in support of the South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council and remain part of our making a difference in young people's lives.

Sincerely,



Harvey McFadden
Treasurer, Board of Directors
South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council

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30 Sep 2019, 17:37 (2 days ago)

April Reay
to me

Hi Harvey

I'm going to have to stop tutoring at the moment our lives are super busy right now. I want to thank you for all your work with kolby. His teacher told me he's reading at a mid grade 5 level. A huge improvement from the end of the year when he was at the end of a grade three level.

I hope to continue in the future. Maybe in a month or so.

Thanks again

April and kolby Reay
Sent from my iPhone