

Building an Educated Workforce in Gilmer County

2017 Impact Report: Gilmer Learning Center

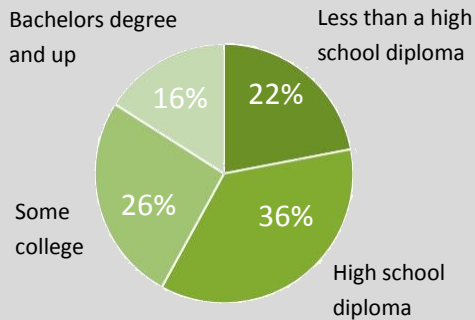
Quick Look: Gilmer County



Population: Adults 18+



Educational Attainment: Adults 18+



Since Gilmer Learning Center joined CLCP in 1993, the percentage of adults without a high school diploma has decreased from

48% to 22%

ESL Population



Nearly 10% of Gilmer County citizens speak a language other than English at home.



Of this group, 67% report that they don't speak English very well.

Jobs in Georgia



By 2024, 90% of the fastest growing jobs in Georgia will require at least a high school diploma or equivalent (such as the GED credential).

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2011–2015 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates; Georgia Department of Labor; Gilmer Learning Center Annual Report, 2017.

The Gilmer Learning Center is a non-profit service organization dedicated to providing free, high quality adult education services in Gilmer County. We provide services ranging from basic reading and math skills to entry level college courses. The majority of our students are working towards their GED diploma or are learning English as a second language.



Meet Our Students:

The workforce of tomorrow

In the past 5 years alone, the Gilmer Learning Center has helped over 1,000 students earn their GED diploma or reach other significant learning milestones. Of that 5-year group, 27% were basic literacy students, 20% were studying for their GED credential, and 53% were seeking English language instruction.

27%
Basic Lit



Studying to improve reading and comprehension

20%
GED



Seeking to earn GED credential

53%
ESL

Acquiring and improving English language skills



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\$ 2017 Funding:
Local Money at Work

Funding Sources

Grants: \$49,000
Contributions: \$500
In-Kind Value: \$60,000
Other: \$618

Funding Raised
for FY 2017:
\$110,118

5-year
Impact

Total funding and
in-kind value raised
2013–2017:

\$369,249

New in 2017 and 2018:
Expanding our reach

GED Classes at the Gilmer County Detention Center

In 2017, the Gilmer Learning Center initiated GED classes at the Gilmer County Detention Center. These services will continue into 2018.

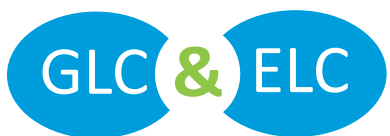
1 GED class
per week
for male
inmates



1 GED class
per week
for female
inmates

According to the Georgia Department of Corrections, an inmate who receives education training is 30% less likely to re-enter the corrections system.

Collaboration with the Ellijay Learning Center



In 2018, the Gilmer Learning Center (GLC) anticipates a collaboration with the Ellijay Learning Center (ELC) of Chattahoochee Technical College. GLC will provide operating space to ELC to conduct GED prep classes, open to students from both agencies. Additionally, ELC students will have access to 40-hour-per-week GLC instructional support.



2017 Volunteers:
Engaging the community



2
Volunteers gave
85
hours

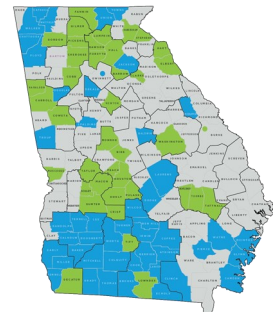


2017 Partners:
Building a network of support

Amicalola Electric Membership Corporation
Dollar General Literacy Foundation
Faith, Hope & Charity Recycle Store
Gilmer County Chamber of Commerce
Gilmer County Commission
Gilmer County Family Connection
Gilmer County Schools
Gilmer County Sheriff's Office
Lions Club

A Member of the Certified Literate Community Program

The Gilmer Learning Center is a member of the Certified Literate Community Program (CLCP). This network of 87 counties across Georgia engages local solutions for local communities in the effort to increase Adult and Family Literacy state-wide.



Certified Literate Communities
39 Counties / 1 City

Certified Literate Community Participants
48 Counties / 1 City

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