

Building an Educated Workforce in Habersham County

2017 Impact Report: Volunteers for Literacy of Habersham County

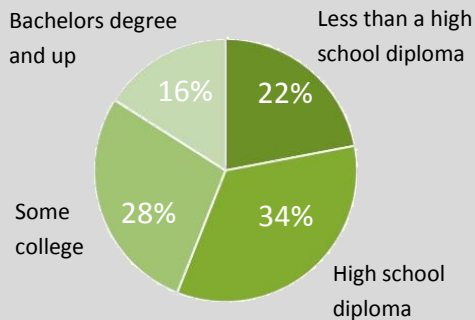
Quick Look: Habersham County



Population: Adults 18+



Educational Attainment: Adults 18+



Since VFL joined CLCP in 1995, the percentage of adults without a high school diploma has decreased from

42% to 22%

ESL Population



Over 12% of Habersham citizens speak a language other than English at home.



Of this group, nearly half report that they do not speak English 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; Volunteers for Literacy of Habersham County Annual Report, 2017.

Volunteers for Literacy (VFL) is a non-profit, United Way agency that develops and supports literacy initiatives in Habersham County. Established in 1989 through a partnership with North Georgia Technical College, VFL began as an adult literacy tutoring service. Today VFL serves Habersham County residents of all ages through three signature programs: Read to Succeed, English as a Second Language and GED Scholarships.



2017 Funding:

Local Money at Work

Funding Sources

Fundraising: \$12,000
Grants: \$28,000
Foundations: \$3,000
In-Kind Value: \$63,000

Funding Raised
for FY 2017:
\$106,000

5-year
Impact

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

\$517,193



2017 Scholarships:

Opening the door to opportunity



\$1,000
in scholarship
funding

5-year
Impact

Scholarship
funding raised
2013–2017:

\$8,856



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2017 Programs and Services:

Investing in current and future students

Attendance Incentive Programs
Child Care Services
Class Space and Teacher Funding
Computer Classes
Dictionary Project
ELA/Preschool Readiness Classes
GED Scholarship Funding
Little Free Libraries
One Book Habersham
Scripp's Spelling Bee
Summer Reading Program
Student Transportation
VFL Book Bank

1,290
books and
materials
distributed

\$1,000
in funding



2017 Events and Marketing:

Spreading the word

In 2017, VFL held its annual Rubber Duck Race fundraiser. In addition, VFL hosted two volunteer recognition events and one student recognition ceremony. The group also participated in community forums and civic presentations.

During 2017, VFL published 14 articles and 1 ad, produced 30 radio PSAs, and distributed 150 flyers and bookmarks.

Sponsored

4

Events



Participated in

3

Events



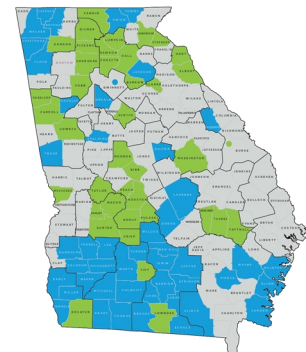
2017 Partners:

Building a network of support

City of Clarkesville | City of Cornelia
Clarkesville and Cornelia Veterinary Hospitals
Clarkesville Century 21
Concord Baptist Church Demorest Campus
Cornelia Baptist Church | Cornelia Library
Cornelia Methodist Church | Dover Concrete
El Mexicano | El Patron | Fenders Diner
Gene's Pawn Shop | Georgia Power
Goodwill of North Georgia
Habersham County School System
Habersham Electric Corporation
Knights of Columbus St. Mark Council
McDonalds (Cornelia)
North Georgia Technical College
The Northeast Georgian | Nowhabersham.com
Snappy Car Wash
Soque River Watershed Association
South State Bank | Springer Mountain Farms
Tractor Supply | United Community Bank
United Way of Habersham County
Walmart | WCON Radio | Woodmen Life

A Member of the Certified Literate Community Program

Volunteers for Literacy 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

To learn more, visit www.CLCPga.org



2017 Volunteers and Tutors:

Engaging the community

200
Volunteers gave
2,250
hours



12
Tutors gave
1,231
hours