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Dear Literacy Supporter,

First and foremost, we want to say Thank You! for your past and continued support of Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County. Your financial assistance has made it possible for us to expand our programs to better serve our community. Here are just a few ways your assistance has contributed to our success.

• Our English as a Second Language (ESL) classes at the Literacy Center have expanded from one to three classes, including a new one for advanced ESL learners. These classes now serve around 55 students and continue to grow.

• Our High School Equivalency (HSE) (also known as GED) classes continue to expand. We are excited to announce 10 students received their High School Diploma in the 2020-2022 school years. We celebrated their accomplishment for the first time with a formal graduation ceremony at the Hurleyville Performing Arts Center on October 1.

This year we are appealing to you to help us meet a new goal.

With the dissolution of the Sullivan County BOCES Adult GED programs, we are now the only provider of these services in the County. We are now tasked to serve the additional students that were attending BOCES for those programs. To be able to serve them, we have expanded the HSE program to 5 days a week and have hired more teachers. However, we still cannot accommodate the influx of students with tutors working with them in person. Since we still need to do more to meet the needs of all the students in Sullivan County, we are piloting an online GED program called “New Readers Press online learning”, which will allow us access to students in all areas of the County. Transportation is not easily available to many of these students, so an online course affords the availability to work remotely and independently.

We are asking for your help this year to not only help fund our regular programs but also this new one that we now need to purchase. We receive very limited government funding and rely heavily on our two bookstore sales, a few grants and the generosity of our donors. The additional program cost can be easily met with your generous donation this year.

Thank you in advance for your generous and loyal support!

Yours Truly,

Angela Dutcher
Executive Director

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