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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: CFLC ANNOUNCES TUTOR TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES – MAY/JUNE 2015**

**YOU CAN CHANGE A PERSON'S LIFE BY BECOMING A TUTOR AT CFLC!**

Spring 2015 brings plenty of opportunities to volunteer as a tutor at Cape Fear Literacy Council. The process is simple to become a ProLiteracy-certified tutor with our organization.

Tutor Trainings are three 3-hour classes that are taught over a 1-2-week period. Trainings include techniques and content for working with adult learners. Tutor trainees must attend all sessions before being matched with a student. Tutors in the **Adult Literacy (AL)** program are asked to make a minimum 6-month commitment to tutoring their student and the student-tutor pair must meet twice a week for at least 1.5 hours each time. Tutors in the **English as a Second Language (ESL)** program are asked to make a minimum 10-week commitment to tutoring their student and the student-tutor pair must meet at least once a week for 1.5 hours.

The first step in becoming a CFLC Volunteer Tutor is to attend **CFLC 101**. Tutor Candidates are encouraged (but not required) to take this FREE 2-hour orientation to the Cape Fear Literacy Council in which we describe who we serve and how we do it. **The next two CFLC 101 Orientations are Wednesday, May 6, 2015 from 10AM – 12 Noon and Wednesday, June 3, 2015 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. All CFLC 101 Orientations are held at Cape Fear Literacy Council, 1012 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street.**

After attending CFLC 101, Tutor Candidates are trained as either AL or ESL Tutors. **The next Adult Literacy Tutor Training will be May 11, 13, and 18 from 6-9 PM at Cape Fear Literacy Council, 1012 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street.** To become a certified AL tutor a volunteer must attend 9 hours of training plus complete a preliminary online component to gain the basic skills needed to help an AL student succeed. The AL Tutor Training includes techniques and content for working with adult learners. The focus is on strategies for teaching alphabets, vocabulary, comprehension and fluency. Workshop material fees are \$20 if you will be volunteering at CFLC or \$50 if you are getting certified for another organization.

**The next English as a Second Language Tutor Training will be on June 9, 10, and 11 from 6:30-9:30 PM at Cape Fear Literacy Council, 1012 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street.** To become a certified ESL tutor a volunteer must attend 9 hours of training and observe 2 classes to gain the basic skills needed to help an ESL student succeed. The ESL Tutor Training includes techniques and content for working with adult speakers of other languages. The focus is on strategies for developing listening, speaking, reading, writing and vocabulary skills to help students navigate everyday life and to achieve academic goals. Tutors do not need to speak another language to tutor an ESL student. Workshop material fees are \$30 if you will be volunteering at CFLC, Interfaith Refugee Ministry or Winterpark Baptist Church, or \$50 if you are getting certified for another organization.

Call CFLC at (910) 251-0911 to reserve your spot!!

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