

Literacy, Employment Skills & Assistive Devices

Support for literacy, life skills, tutoring, and assistive devices empowers individuals to thrive. By developing core skills such as numeracy, digital literacy, and academic confidence, these resources foster independence and enable people to fully engage in daily life, pursue education and employment, and reach their full potential.

\$70,000

was invested into supports related to literacy, numeracy, and computer use.



1,795*
individuals received support with literacy, job skills, and assistive technology.



United Way focuses on:

- Education on literacy, numeracy, and computer use to upgrade skills to attain higher employment
- Academic support
- Tutoring, long term or short term workshops or programs
- Education or practice of employment related skills
- Education or practice of essential life skills such as literacy and financial literacy

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- **United for Literacy**

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What we know



Approximately **42%** of Ontario adults lack the literacy skills needed for everyday life, work, and managing tasks at home.



Specifically, this includes **1.3 million adults (16%)** who struggle with very basic literacy, plus another **2.1 million (26%)** who can read but not well enough to meet modern society's demands.

Outcomes



"United Way funds have never been so essential. There has been no increase in literacy funding from the provincial government since 2013. In addition to that, essential delivery costs such as Zoom, rent and learning resources have been increased."



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