



# Aurora's Story

*Learning a second language as an adult is extraordinarily difficult. Trying to learn a language takes an extreme work ethic, tons of dedication, and tireless persistence. The Literacy Council is a non-profit organization that helps adult learners with a variety of backgrounds to improve and gain the skills of reading and writing in English. The Council is making a wonderful contribution by helping non-English speaking members of the Rockford region learn English and improve their lives, their families' lives, and the community.*

*Aurora is one of the community members that The Literacy Council is helping. She is trying to learn English as an adult through The Literacy Council to better her and her family's. English is not her first language, and it has been quite challenging to learn. Aurora says that the best way for her to learn English is just talking to her tutor and applying the knowledge that was learned during that session.*

*The Literacy Council is a place of opportunity, where people can feel safe and free from judgment. Aurora's tutor supports and pushes her to learn and not feel embarrassed. Every time she meets with her tutor, new vocabulary words are learned that help with writing papers and learning in school.*

*For second language learners, The Literacy Council provides an experience that is key for developing as a reader, writer, and speaker of the English language. Aurora loves The Literacy Council because it is helping as many second language learners as possible. Improving the lives of learners in our community enriches the diversity and vibrancy of the Rockford region. Because of The Literacy Council, Aurora doesn't have to face the challenges of education alone, and she helps improve the lives of the people she loves.*

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