Annual Report Card 2020-2021

CONNECTING VOLUNTEERS
with students and their goals

• Average hours per volunteer: up 40%.
• Volunteer tutors: Zoomed, Skyped, texted, emailed, phoned, and met in person to stay connected with their students.

Total # of Volunteers: 135

CONNECTING STUDENTS
with a better future

• Students studying for high school equivalency: up 43%.
• Goals reached during COVID:
  42 reached personal goals
  23 improved employability skills
  20 got jobs/better jobs
  5 got driver’s licenses
  4 became U.S. Citizens

Total # of Students: 148

CONNECTING DONORS
and our mission

• Total donations: 3rd highest annual giving in history.
• Individual giving: Up 9% from last year.

Our Endowment Fund grew 58%

Everyone has a story about this year. Ours is about resilience, loyalty, and spirit. We’re deeply proud of the students, donors, and volunteers who made it a good year.
As expected, student and volunteer numbers declined this year, given the pandemic.

Strong personal connections forged among volunteers, students, and donors with staff bore amazing fruit regardless:

- Our steadfast, flexible volunteers tallied an all-time record in personal hours.
- Online tools made our high school equivalency student numbers grow by 43%.
- Our loyal, generous donors gave the third highest yearly amount—ever.

We suffered no staff layoffs, and recruited a talented Program Manager. We invested in new technology so our students can learn wherever they are. We are committed to our mission and connecting to the people who make it all work.

Thank YOU for being one of those people!

Kacy Harriman loved one of her high school English teachers, Kathleen Jenkins. She was delighted when Kathleen became her Literacy Volunteers tutor. Kathleen’s strong emotional and academic support helped Kacy graduate from EMCC with an associate’s degree in Early Childhood Education last May.