

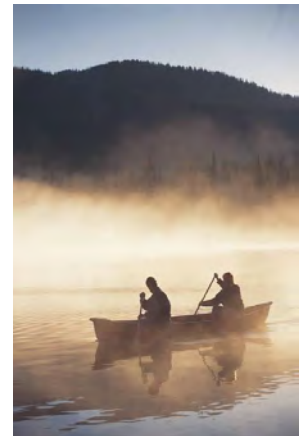
COMMUNITY LITERACY OF ONTARIO MEMBERS' E-COMMUNIQUE AUGUST 2012

Dear CLO Members,

Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to present its **AUGUST 2012 Members' E-Communiqué**.

Topics covered in this e-communiqué are:

1. CLO is Deeply Honoured to be Chosen as the Ontario Winner of the 2012 *Council of the Federation Literacy Award*
2. **NEW PROMOTIONAL TOOL FOR LITERACY!** Updated Version of "*Literacy: Why it Matters*"
3. International Literacy Day – September 8, 2012
4. CLO's Annual General Meeting to be Held on November 9, 2012 in Toronto
5. CLO's Online OALCF Videos: A Great Resource for Volunteers!
6. HRSDC's *Enabling Accessibility Fund*
7. QUILL's Online Portal for Task-Based Activities
8. Literacy Link South Central's Online Performance Management Newsletters
9. GCFLearnFree's Online Tutorial on Job Searching
10. Employment Ontario News and Information



CLO IS DEEPLY HONOURED TO BE CHOSEN AS THE ONTARIO WINNER OF THE 2012 COUNCIL OF THE FEDERATION LITERACY AWARD

Community Literacy of Ontario is so very honoured to have been chosen as the Ontario winner of the 2012 *Council of the Federation Literacy Award*.

This year, the category for Ontario's award is for leadership in innovation, reflecting an individual or organization that has demonstrated excellence in educating literacy practitioners.

At the summer meeting of the Council of the Federation, Premier Dalton McGuinty honoured Community Literacy of Ontario for its continued support and training to more than 100 community-based literacy agencies across the province. For more information, visit: www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/training/literacy_award.html

Thank you so much to the QUILL Learning Network (www.quillnet.org/) for nominating CLO for this important award!



NEW PROMOTIONAL TOOL FOR LITERACY! UPDATED VERSION OF "LITERACY: WHY IT MATTERS"

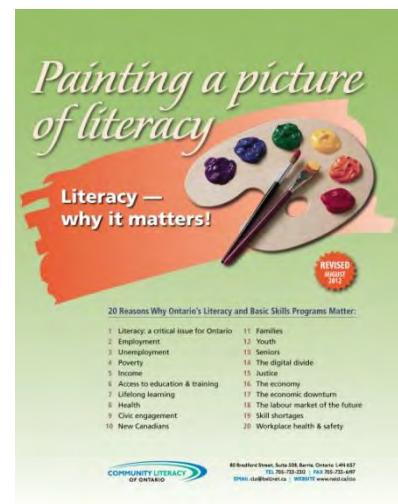
Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to celebrate International Literacy Day, September 8, 2012, by creating an updated version of "Literacy: Why It Matters".

"Literacy: Why It Matters" paints a picture of literacy by:

- Sharing twenty reasons why literacy is a critical issue in Ontario
- Providing an overview of the Literacy and Basic Skills Program and highlighting its importance

We hope that "Literacy: Why It Matters" will be a useful tool for our members, partners, community stakeholders and service deliverers, governments and the general public. Please feel free to share this resource with stakeholders in your community via email, print, or social media.

"Literacy: Why It Matters" is freely available online at: www.nald.ca/clo/literacy_why_it_matters.htm



INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY – SEPTEMBER 8, 2012

International Literacy Day 2012 Literacy and Peace



The theme of International Literacy Day, held on September 8, 2012, is *Literacy and Peace*. This theme was adopted by the United Nations to demonstrate the multiple uses and value that literacy brings to people.

See: www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/events/prizes-and-celebrations/celebrations/international-days/literacy-day/

CLO'S AGM TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2012 IN TORONTO

Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to announce that it will hold its 2012 Annual General Meeting on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2012** at the Delta Chelsea Hotel in Toronto.

In addition to the AGM, networking opportunities and our traditional literacy roundtables, CLO plans to deliver a training workshop. The details of this workshop will be shared in September, so please stay tuned.....



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CLO'S ONLINE OALCF VIDEOS: A GREAT RESOURCE FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Community Literacy of Ontario developed two "Introduction to the OALCF" videos for volunteers, board members, and community stakeholders.

If you are looking for a concise, easy, and free way to share information about the OALCF with your volunteer tutors then be sure to visit: www.nald.ca/clo/videos/oalcf_task_based_programming_videos.htm

- **Video #1: [LBS, the OALCF and You – An Overview](#)**
This video provides a high-level overview of LBS, and the OALCF and what they mean to various stakeholders
- **Video #2: [Working with a Task-Based Approach](#)**
This video looks at the key elements in a task-based model and the role that they play in Literacy and Basic Skills programming



HRSDC'S ENABLING ACCESSIBILITY FUND

Human Resources and Skills Development Canada just announced grant funding of up to \$50,000 per project to improve the built environment through renovation, construction and retrofitting of buildings; the modification of vehicles for community use; and enhancements to make information and communication technologies more accessible.

The *Enabling Accessibility Fund* supports community-based projects across Canada that improve accessibility, remove barriers and enable Canadians with disabilities to participate in and contribute to their communities. The deadline to apply is October 5, 2012. The application form and guidelines can be found at: www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/disability_issues/eaf/cfp/index.shtml.

QUILL'S ONLINE PORTAL FOR TASK-BASED ACTIVITIES

The QUILL Learning Network has received project funding from MTCU to create an online portal for task-based activities organized by OALCF (Ontario Adult Literacy Curriculum Framework) goal path and level.

You can access this helpful resource at: <http://taskbasedactivitiesforlbs.pbworks.com>



LITERACY LINK SOUTH CENTRAL'S ONLINE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTERS

Literacy Link South Central will be preparing bi-monthly performance management newsletters for LBS service providers. Two newsletters are already available on their website (May and July 2012) and more will be posted in the coming months.



You can access these extremely useful resources at: www.llsc.on.ca/about-us/resources

GCFLEARNFREE'S ONLINE TUTORIAL ON JOB SEARCHING

The wonderful folks at GCFLearnFree have just created an online tutorial on job search strategies. Topics include: gathering your personal information, obtaining references, going for an interview, and completing job applications.



GCFLearnFree resources are highly recommended by literacy practitioners and this resource is sure to be useful to job seekers in your literacy agency. Visit: www.gcflearnfree.org/jobapplications

EMPLOYMENT ONTARIO NEWS AND INFORMATION

MTCU's Employment Ontario Partners Gateway (EOPG) website provides a wealth of important information for LBS agencies. See: www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/eopg/newpostings



Recent news on the EOPG includes:

- August 14, 2012: [CaMS/LBS 2012-5 Bulletin](#)
- August 14, 2012: [EOIS-CaMS Literacy and Basic Skills Data Dictionary](#)
- August 1, 2012: [Updating Tips](#) Keep your program or service information up-to-date on MTCU's "Find an Employment and Training Service" online directory (www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/search.asp)
- August, 2012: [2012-2013 LBS Service Provider Audit and Accountability Requirements – REVISED](#)
- July 25, 2012: [Letter to EO Partners](#)
- July 18, 2012: [EOPG design changes / Replacement of email bulletins with the EOPG Really Simple Syndication \(RSS\) feed](#)
- July 18, 2012: [CaMS/LBS 2012-4 Bulletin](#)
- July 6, 2012: [Memo - Literacy and Basic Skills \(LBS\) Quarterly Status and Adjustment Report \(QSAR\) LBS2012-07](#)

