English At Large Thanks Volunteers

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English at Large (EAL) is a nonprofit organization that provides individual and small group instruction through a volunteer network to adult immigrants and other newcomers who want to acquire English language skills as they adapt to life in the United States. Our volunteers empower this mission every day, through more than 6,000 hours of service delivered by 223 local residents in 21 communities in Middlesex County. Their efforts and spirit of community help 500 English language learners each year develop the skills, networks and confidence they need to reach their full potential and achieve their life goals.

Volunteer Appreciation Week is a celebration of those who make the world a better place! This week we honor and say THANK YOU - to our volunteer Tutors, Conversation Group Facilitators, Book Group Leaders, Career Access Lab Facilitators and Mentors, Intake Assessors, and Testers, and Members of our Board and Committees, as well as our program, event and office volunteers. Your efforts, as EAL volunteers, help make our communities safe, welcoming and supportive places for all people to live and work. Your investment in the potential of our learners makes a real difference every day!

We invite the community to join us in applauding the efforts to these wonderful volunteers:

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