

Family Literacy Resource Room

We offer a selection of quality books suitable for adults with varying literacy skills, a large selection of children's books, family literacy program manuals, workbooks, and resources.

Volunteer Opportunities

For **also** learners, community members, high school and university students

- assist with our Children's Program
- provide outreach literacy support to families receiving Reading Packs
- prepare Reading Packs for distribution
- help with administrative activities
- become a Member of the Board
- assist with our annual fundraiser - **Amazing Scrabble Race**

Donor Information

Our family literacy programs are not presently funded by government but are sustained through donations and our own fundraising efforts. Many thanks to our contributors for their generous support.



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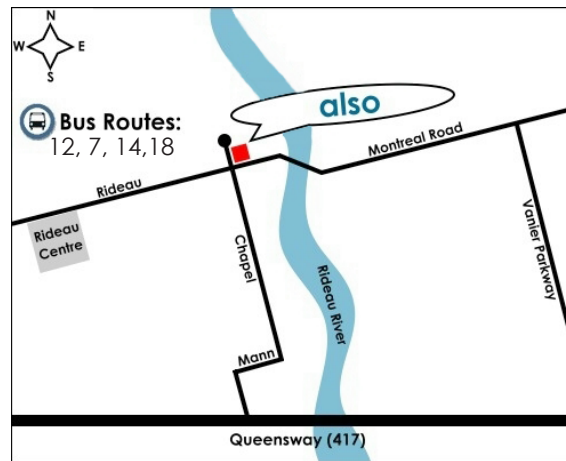
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A Safe and Caring Community Learning Centre



- Adult Upgrading
- Deaf Adult Upgrading
- English Reading and Writing Class for Deaf Students (College and University Preparation)
- **also** elearning - High School Credit
- On-Site Child Care
- Reading and Parents Program (RAPP)

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Individual



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Family



Strengths

“also staff have been very, very important in encouraging me to believe in myself, and my skills.”

~also student

Adult Upgrading & Deaf Adult Upgrading

For people over 18 who are out of school and living on a low income

- one-on-one and small group training in reading, writing, ASL, math, computers, and workplace skills
- builds on individual strengths and supports the achievement of personal goals

English Reading and Writing Class for Deaf Students

- college or university preparation
- small class with instruction in ASL and English

also elearning

Grade 12 equivalency/high school credit program offered at Heartwood House, for people 18 or older

- prepares learners for post-secondary college education, apprenticeship, and work
- individualized learning in a small classroom setting

Reading and Parents Program (RAPP)

For families with children 0-6 years old

- families receive fun, educational, literacy packs for use at home
- each pack contains a book for every child in the family, crafts, poetry, and reading and language tips for parents
- packs are distributed every two weeks at various sites in the Vanier, Lowertown, and Sandy Hill communities
- one-on-one family literacy support is provided to parents

Children's Room

Free, onsite, part-time childcare for parents attending programs at Heartwood House

- for children 6 months to 6 years old
- develops skills to give children a better start in school
- qualified early-childhood educators and high adult-to-child ratio