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# Literacy Service Providers





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# Clearwater Public Library

## MAIN LIBRARY

100 North Osceola Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33755

## BEACH BRANCH

69 Bay Esplanade  
Clearwater, FL 33767



CLEARWATER  
PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

## COUNTRYSIDE BRANCH

2642 Sabal Springs Drive  
Clearwater, FL 33761

## EAST BRANCH

2251 Drew Street  
Clearwater, FL 33765

## NORTH GREENWOOD BRANCH

905 N. MLK Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33755

**Phone:** 727-562-4970

**Literacy Contact Person:** Ed Tumber

**Email:** Edward.tumber@myclearwater.com

**Website:** [www.myclearwater.com/cpl](http://www.myclearwater.com/cpl)

**Hours:** Varies by location

## Services Provided:

- ESOL tutoring
- Language exchange cafe
- Homework Help
- Meeting space for tutors
- Access to language learning software Pronunciator through PPLC
- Referrals

# Deaf Literacy Center

A countywide service of the  
Pinellas Public Library Cooperative



## Office Location:

Safety Harbor Public Library  
101 2nd Street North  
Safety Harbor, FL 34695



**Phone:** 727-724-1525, ext. 4120

**Deaf Literacy Coordinator:** Rosa Rodriguez

**Video Phone:** 727-474-1914

**Email:** rrodriguez@pplc.us

**Website:** [www.pplc.us/dlc](http://www.pplc.us/dlc)

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9:40 am to 8 pm

Weekly sessions at Largo, Palm Harbor, and Pinellas Park public libraries. Contact Rosa to set up an appointment, or check upcoming events at: <http://www.pplc.us/dlc/index.shtml>

## Services Provided:

- Basic literacy/life skills instruction sessions/workshops
- Family literacy programs
- Community sign language classes
- Basic computer literacy
- Signed or interpreted storytimes and library programs
- Sign to Your Baby workshops
- Deaf community workshops
- Library and information services
- Deaf awareness events

# Dunedin Public Library

223 Douglas Avenue  
Dunedin, FL 34698-7988

**Phone:** 727-298-3080, ext. 1724

**Literacy Contact Person:** Dr. Pat Bauer, Ph.D.,  
*President and Coordinator, Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas County*

**Email:** postmaster@lcup.net

**Website:** www.lcup.net

**Office Hours:** Monday - Wednesday, 3 to 5 pm  
Thursday, Noon to 2 pm

## Services Provided:

- Basic literacy for native English speakers needing help in enhancing their reading and writing abilities
- ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) tutoring for those needing help in speaking, reading, and writing English as well as understanding American culture
- Test preparation assistance for those students taking the GED, TESOL, citizenship, or other exams
- Health literacy outreach in the community
- Weekly Conversation Club



# Gulf Beaches Public Library

200 Municipal Drive  
Madeira Beach, FL 33708

**Phone:** 727-391-2828

**Literacy Contact Person:** Any library staff member

**Email:** [gulfbeacheslib@gmail.com](mailto:gulfbeacheslib@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.gulfbeacheslib.org](http://www.gulfbeacheslib.org)

**Hours:** Monday, Wednesday - Friday, 10 am to 6 pm

Tuesday, 10 am to 8 pm

Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm

## **Services Provided:**

Meeting room space for tutors and students





# Largo Public Library

120 Central Park Drive  
Largo, FL 33771



**Phone:** 727-587-6715, ext. 2547

**Literacy Contact Person:** Nancy Coleman-Romanos

**Email:** ncoleman@largo.com

**Website:** www.largopubliclibrary.org

**Hours:** Monday - Wednesday, 9 am to 8 pm  
Thursday - Friday, 10 am to 6 pm  
Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm

## **Services Provided:**

The English Language Learning program offers one-on-one tutoring for adult non-English speakers. All levels of learners are accepted. Six private study rooms are available by reservation.

## **Literacy Materials/Collection:**

- ESL collection items include both student and tutor materials in various formats: student workbook/teacher guide series, CD and book kits for individual or in-class use, multimedia kits that include DVD's, CD's and textbooks.
- English Language Learning Lab — computers with access to Rosetta Stone-American English
- English Conversation Club — provides practice speaking and listening to English
- Citizenship Preparation — prepares permanent resident candidates for the naturalization process

## **Volunteer Tutor Training:**

Tutor orientation and training seminars are offered three to four times throughout the year.

# Literacy Council of St. Petersburg, Inc.

1717 54th Avenue North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33714

**Phone:** 727-521-1117

**Literacy Contact Person:** Ann Palmer, *President*

**Email:** litcouncilstpete@gmail.com

**Website:** www.stpeterreads.com

## Services Provided:

One-on-one tutoring in reading, writing, math and pre-GED for adult students. Tutoring is provided in the Pinellas County Schools Adult Education Centers and in all of the public libraries in southern Pinellas County.

To register to become a tutor/volunteer, or to refer a student please visit our website (above) or call 727-521-1117 and leave a message.

## Literacy Volunteers Tutor Training:

Tutors are trained by certified trainers in the use of the program materials working with adult learners and those students who may have learning disabilities. The training is provided 3-4 times per year. Please visit the website to see our calendar for the next training.



**The Literacy Council  
of St. Petersburg**

*Teaching Adults to Read,  
Changing Lives Forever*

# Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas

## Dunedin Public Library

223 Douglas Avenue, Dunedin, FL 34698

**Phone:** 727-298-3080, ext. 1724

**Literacy Contact Person:** Pat Bauer, *President*

**Email:** postmaster@lcup.net

**Website:** www.lcup.net



### Services Provided:

- Basic literacy instruction for English speakers who need help with reading and writing
- English instruction for speakers of other languages who need help with reading, writing and speaking English and with understanding American culture
- Conversation classes for adults working to improve their spoken English
- Individual instruction for those preparing for the United States Citizenship exam and other tests, such as the GED and TOEFL
- Referral services for students whose needs may best be met by other agencies in Pinellas County

**Literacy Volunteer Training:** Tutors and conversation class leaders are required to attend six hours of training held in one session on a Saturday and to complete in-service requirements in order to begin working with a student. The six-hour Just-in-Time training model is research-based and correlates with ProLiteracy tutor training materials. Training and texts are free of charge. To register for tutor training, call 727-298-3080, ext. 1724, and leave a message, or visit the website [www.lcup.net](http://www.lcup.net) to submit the online form.

**Comments:** All tutoring is free and confidential. Adults seeking literacy services are encouraged to attend conversation classes held in these public libraries: Clearwater East, Dunedin, Palm Harbor, Safety Harbor, and Tarpon Springs. Attending these classes provides students with opportunities to meet teachers who will help them meet their individual goals. Current info regarding the conversation classes can be found at [www.lcup.net](http://www.lcup.net). Adult learners with questions about LCUP literacy services may also call 727-298-3080, ext. 1724, and leave a message, or email [postmaster@lcup.net](mailto:postmaster@lcup.net).

# Oldsmar Public Library

400 St. Petersburg Drive East  
Oldsmar, FL 34677-3656

**Phone:** 813-749-1178

**Fax:** 813-854-1881

**Contact Person:** Susan Hurley, *Director*

**Email:** shurley@myoldsmar.com

**Website:** www.oldsmarlibrary.org

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9 am to 8 pm  
Friday - Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Referral services to literacy organizations
- Meeting space as available
- Online learning databases
- GED and citizenship materials



# Palm Harbor Library

2330 Nebraska Avenue  
Palm Harbor, FL 34683



**Phone:** 727-784-3332

**Website:** [www.palmharborlibrary.org](http://www.palmharborlibrary.org)

**Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, 10 am to 6 pm  
Tuesday, Thursday, Noon to 8 pm  
Friday, Noon to 5 pm  
Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm

## **PALM HARBOR LITERACY COUNCIL**

*(A Service of the Palm Harbor Library)*

**PHLC Contact Person:** Diana Silvera

**Phone:** 727-784-3332, ext. 3010

**Email:** [phlc1@hotmail.com](mailto:phlc1@hotmail.com)

**Website:** <http://friendsofphl.org/literacy>

### **Services Provided:**

- One-on-one tutoring for adult ESL students (in library meeting/study rooms)
- Conversation classes each Thursday, 6:30 to 7:30 pm
- Tutor training
- Provide print, newspaper and e-resources to students

### **Literacy Materials/Collection:**

- Laubach-Voyager, Challenger, etc.
- Reading Horizons Program and more
- GED Preparation
- Citizenship Materials
- Pronunciator and Reading Horizons

### **Literacy Volunteer, Tutor Training**

- Offered five times a year
- Each training session is one Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm

# Pinellas County Schools Career, Technical, and Adult Education

310 4th Street Southwest

Largo, FL 33770

Website: [www.pcsb.org](http://www.pcsb.org)



*The School Board of Pinellas County Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education provides a variety of educational programs for adults.*

**Adult and Community Education** — 727-588-6321

Central Office for all education programs.

**ABE/Adult Basic Education Programs** — 727-588-6326

For adult students functioning below 8th grade level.

**GED/General Education Development** — 727-588-6326

For all students in need of a diploma.

**EL/English Literacy** — 727-588-6298

For adults who have limited English skills

## **Locations:**

*The six community and adult schools located throughout the county and the two career-technical schools in the north and south of the county offer classes day and evening for adult students in need of literacy skills. Classes are also offered in various community agencies and centers. Call the schools for more information.*

**Clearwater Adult Education Center** — 727-469-4190

540 South Hercules Avenue, Clearwater, FL 33764

**Dixie Hollins Adult Education Center** — 727-547-7872

4940 62nd Street North, St. Petersburg, FL 33709

**Lakewood Community School** — 727-893-2955

1400 54th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33705

**Northeast Community School** — 727-570-3193

1717 54th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33714

**Palm Harbor Community School** — 727-669-1140

1900 Omaha Street, Palm Harbor, FL 34683

**Pinellas Technical College**, Clearwater (not PTEC) —

727-538-7167, 6100 154th Avenue North, Clearwater, FL 33760

**Pinellas Technical College**, St. Petersburg (not PTEC) —

727-893-2500, 901 34th Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33711

**Tomlinson Adult Learning Center** — 727-873-2723

296 Mirror Lake Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33701

# Pinellas County Urban League, Inc.

333 31st Street North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33713

**Phone:** 727-327-2081

**Contact Person:** Watson Haynes II, *CEO*

**Email:** lali@pcul.org

**Website:** www.pcul.net

**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Career community center training
- Job placement assistance
- Black-on-black crime prevention
- Youth crime prevention and intervention
- GED preparation classes
- Energy assistance for weather related or crisis situations
- Health screening and education services
- LPN and RN tutoring programs



Pinellas County  
Urban League

*Empowering Communities - Changing Lives*

# Pinellas Park's Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

7770 52nd Street  
Pinellas Park, FL 33781

**Phone:** 727-369-0669

**Website:** [www.pinellas-park.com/library](http://www.pinellas-park.com/library)

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9 am to 8:30 pm  
Friday - Saturday 9 am to 5 pm  
Sunday 1 pm to 5 pm



Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

## Services Provided:

- The library participates with other PPLC libraries in providing online learning databases. Current literacy-related offerings are primarily focused on skill attainment for K-5. E-book resources for all ages are also offered, which include read-aloud functionality as well as educational puzzles and reading quizzes for select youth titles. A combined foreign language and ESOL database is also currently offered.
- The library also offers a variety of literary-related programs for children ages 2-18, focusing on pre-emergent literacy skills, interactive activities for parents and children ages 2-8, and activities for older youth — such as book/movie discussion groups, teen writing club, and book-inspired craft and recreational activities.
- Deaf literacy services are currently offered on site by PPLC's Deaf Literacy Center.



# PREP — Pinellas Refugee Education Program

901 34th Street South

St. Petersburg, FL 33711

(Located on the PTEC St. Petersburg campus)



**Phone:** 727-217-7635, ext. 1005

**Contact Person:** Douglas Haskitt, *Program Coordinator*

**Email:** [haskitt@pcsb.org](mailto:haskitt@pcsb.org)

**Website:** [www.pcsb.org/domain/1823](http://www.pcsb.org/domain/1823)

**Hours:** Monday - Friday 8 am to 4:30 pm

## Services Provided:

PREP offers free training and classes for qualified refugees who meet certain eligibility criteria. The goal of the program is to help refugees learn English, get their GED, and obtain career skills and training.

## Resources and Services:

- ESOL classes at both Pinellas Technical College campuses (Clearwater and St. Petersburg)
- Career assessment and exploration
- Guidance counseling and acculturation
- ESOL, ABE, GED, and citizenship instruction offered at various locations
- Online ESOL instruction
- Assistance with educational costs
- Transportation and child care assistance
- Case management and follow-up
- Various Pinellas Technical College career training options available once English proficiency is achieved
- Referrals for employment
- Translation and interpreter services

## Eligibility:

- Qualified adult refugees of all nationalities
- Cuban/Haitian entrants, including parolees and asylum applicants
- Asylees of all nationalities who have been in the United States 5 years or fewer
- Amerasians
- Certified victims of trafficking
- Lawful permanent residents who adjusted from prior refugee, entrant or asylee status
- Special immigrants of Iraqi or Afghan nationality

# READ Pinellas, Inc.

P.O. Box 53

Largo, FL 33779

**Phone:** 727-393-5447

**Literacy Contact Person:** Judy Szypot, *Administrative Assistant*

**Email:** readpinellas@outlook.com

**Website:** www.readpinellas.org

**Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9 am to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Provide mini-grants for teachers, tutors and literacy providers
- Support promotions and publicity for adult literacy tutoring programs and classrooms
- Underwrite expenses for volunteer literacy organizations with insufficient budgets
- Maintain a referral hotline and resource directory

READ Pinellas is the Pinellas County literacy coalition organized to coordinate resources, increase awareness, and involve the community in increasing adult literacy. The Board of Directors meet quarterly. Community meetings are held twice a year. Training is offered as opportunities allow.



# Safety Harbor Public Library

101 Second Street North

Safety Harbor, FL 34695

**Phone:** 727-724-1525, ext. 4112

**Contact Person:** Mallory Cyr

**Email:** [mcyr@cityofsafetyharbor.com](mailto:mcyr@cityofsafetyharbor.com)

**Contact Person for Deaf Literacy Center:** Rosa Rodriguez

**Email:** [rrodriguez@pplc.us](mailto:rrodriguez@pplc.us)

**Phone:** 727-724-1525, ext. 4120

**Website:** [www.safetyharborlibrary.com](http://www.safetyharborlibrary.com)

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9:30 am. to 8 pm

Friday, 9:30 am to 6 pm

Saturday, 9:30 am to 5 pm

Sunday, 1 to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Meeting room and study area for adult literacy, ESL tutoring and deaf literacy
- ESL tutor training and student-tutor matching through local coordinator from Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas
- Library resources for adult literacy, ESL and deaf literacy students, their families, teachers and tutors
- Books and audiovisual resources for ESOL, TOEFL, and GED
- Spanish bilingual collection of books for children and adults
- Career online high school scholarships



# St. Petersburg Library System

3745 9th Ave North

St. Petersburg, FL 33713

**Phone:** 727-893-7724

**Fax:** 727-892-5432

**Contact Person:** Angela Falsey, *Adult Services Coordinator*

**Internet Website:** [www.splibraries.org](http://www.splibraries.org)

**Email:** [webmail.library@stpete.org](mailto:webmail.library@stpete.org)

## Services Provided:

- Adult literacy tutoring and ESOL classes offered by the Literacy Council of St. Petersburg, Inc., and UCMC Suncoast at Mirror Lake Library
- Provides space for tutoring
- Provides literacy materials and referrals to community literacy services



## Literacy Materials:

English language learning materials in print, audio, DVD, and e-book formats; access to online learning resources; test preparation guides

## Library Locations:

- Main Library, 3745 9th Avenue North, 727-893-7724
- Childs Park Community Library, 691 43rd Street South, 727-893-7714
- James Weldon Johnson Community Library, 1059 18th Avenue South, 727-893-7113
- Mirror Lake Community Library, 280 5th Street North, 727-893-7268
- North Community Library, 861 70th Avenue North, 727-893-7214
- South Community Library, 2300 Roy Hanna Dr. South, 727-893-7244
- West Community Library, 6700 8th Avenue North, 727-341-7199

# Seminole Community Library

9200 113th Street North  
Seminole, FL 33772-2800

**Phone:** 727-394-6905

**Contact Person:** Michael Bryan, *Director*

**Email:** mybryan@myseminole.com

**Website:** www.spcollege.edu/scl

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 7:30 am to 6 pm

Friday, 7:30 am to 6 pm

Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm

**Hours:** Sunday, 1 to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Some literacy, GED and citizenship materials
- Online learning databases through St. Petersburg College and PPLC
- Referral services to literacy councils, organizations, and agencies
- Study rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis



# Tarpon Springs Public Library

138 East Lemon Street  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

**Phone:** 727-943-4922

**Contact Person:** Cari Rupkalvis, *Library Director*

**Email:** [tslibrary@ctsfl.us](mailto:tslibrary@ctsfl.us)

**Website:** [www.tarponspringslibrary.org](http://www.tarponspringslibrary.org)

**Hours:** Monday - Wednesday, 10 am to 9 pm

Thursday - Friday, 10 am to 6 pm

Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm

## Services Provided:

- Literacy materials in print and audiovisual formats
- Small selection of foreign language materials
- Online resources including language-learning database
- Referral services to literacy councils, organizations, and agencies
- Meeting room available for literacy programs and classes



# UMCM Suncoast

12945 Seminole Blvd., Bldg. 2  
Largo, FL 33778



**Phone:** 727-442-6881, ext. 304

**Fax:** 727-286-6293

**Contact Person:** Jan Setzekorn, *Director of Literacy Services*

**Email:** [jsetzekorn@umcmsuncoast.org](mailto:jsetzekorn@umcmsuncoast.org)

**Website:** [www.umcmsuncoast.org](http://www.umcmsuncoast.org)

## Services Provided:

- Families Learning Together — family literacy at High Point YMCA, Clearwater
- ESOL for adults (St. Petersburg, Clearwater, Largo, Pasadena, Pinellas Park)
- Citizenship Preparation
- Computer Lab for English Language Learning
- ProLiteracy Tutor Training
- ESOL pre-school (Children of the World Preschool, 1801 62nd Avenue North, St. Petersburg)

## Comments:

We offer tutoring in a variety of community locations. Call for a current list of sites or visit our website [www.umcmsuncoast.org](http://www.umcmsuncoast.org)











