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ALL ABOUT LEARNING

In our schools we want every child to succeed. We want every child to have an equal opportunity to learn and thrive in our class. We strive hard for these ideals but reality shows us this doesn't always happen. Some children arrive at our doors disadvantaged. Some children come from homes where they are stalked by hunger, violence, and a lack of awareness of the value of education. Some do not have any homes at all. To help these children more needs to be done and it needs to be done earlier. We feel we can play a small part in that new beginning.

Many young women live with their children in hostels in our inner cities. Many do not know how to read. Their social and emotional problems may have ended their school experience before they learned the important skill of reading. Partnered with the YWCA we believe an Adult Literacy Program will help these women gain this important life skill and better prepare their children for school.

The YWCA will provide the space and the students, we are committed to provide the resources and the teachers. We need your help.

Can you volunteer a few hours a week for the next few months to teach an adult to read?

If you want to help please phone Sirkku Meldrum at the Local office (905)- 666-1122 or 1-800-220-6925.



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