



TriCALA
Tri-Community Adult
Learning & Literacy Association

City of Spruce Grove Presentation
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THE TRI-COMMUNITY ADULT LEARNING AND LITERACY ASSOCIATION (TRICALA) IS ONE OF 120 COMMUNITY ADULT LEARNING COUNCILS THROUGHOUT THE PROVINCE WHO SERVE MOSTLY RURAL POPULATIONS.

TRICALA COORDINATES THE PART-TIME NON-CREDIT LEARNING NEEDS OF ADULTS IN STONY PLAIN, SPRUCE GROVE, AND ALL OF PARKLAND COUNTY.

WE ARE SUPPORTED BY A GRANT FROM ADVANCED EDUCATION, AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM VARIOUS PARTNERS.



Facts about adult literacy:

Two in every five Canadian adults – 9 million people – can't read well enough to do everyday things.

55% of Canadian adults have inadequate numeracy skills.

17% of Canadians function at the lowest level, where they may, for example, be unable to read the dosage instructions on a medicine bottle

1 percent increase in adult literacy levels would generate a 1.5 percent permanent increase in the GDP per capita. In Canada, this would amount to about \$18 billion a year.

Our Core Programming:

- **ADULT LITERACY**
- **NUMERACY AND ESSENTIAL SKILLS**
- **ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE**
- **DIGITAL LITERACY**
- **FAMILY LITERACY**



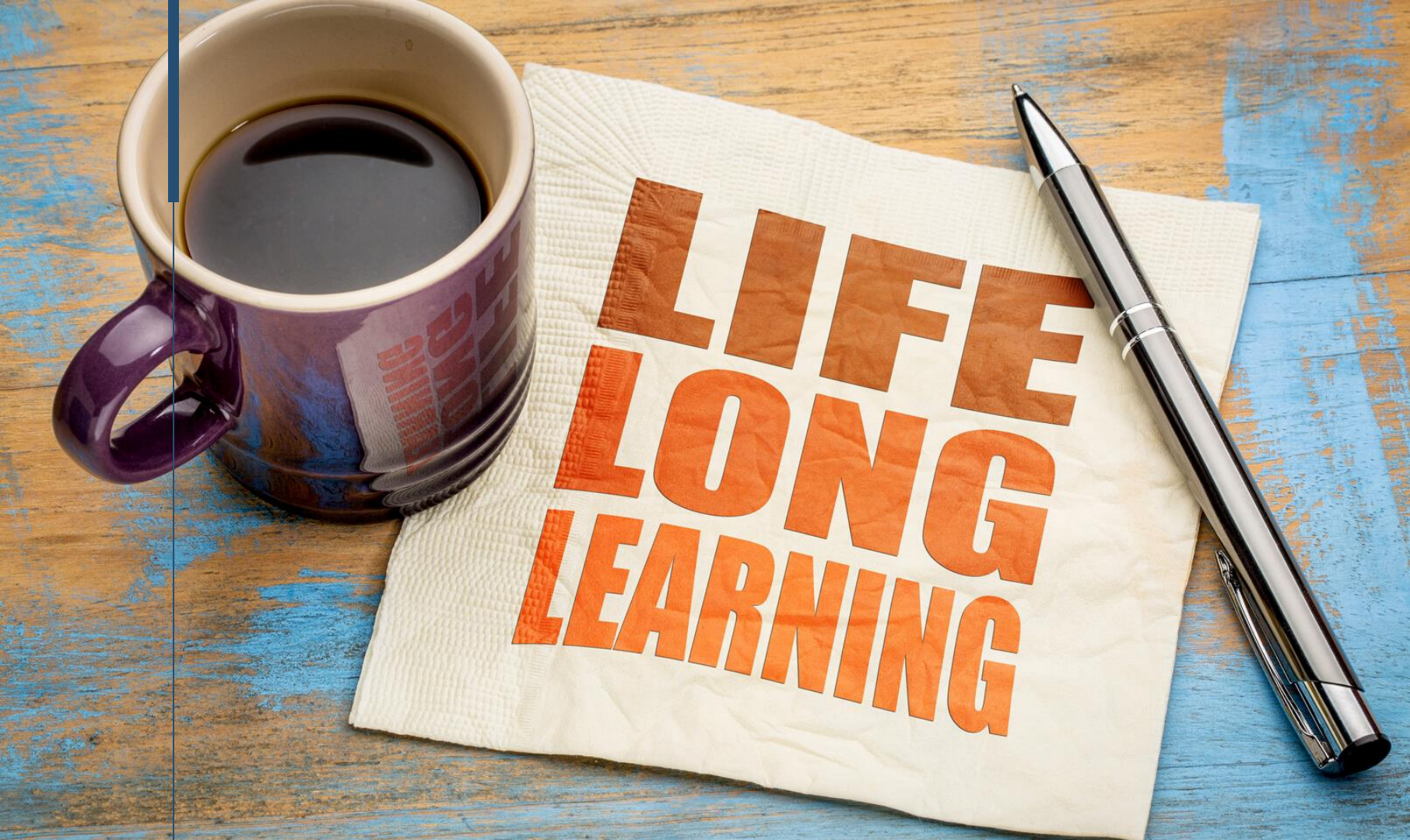


- ONE ON ONE FREE TUTORING
- WORKSHOPS
- CLASSES
- ACCESS TO COMMUNITY COMPUTERS
- OUTREACH PROGRAMMING
- PARTNERSHIPS





Why don't people
seek help?



LIFE LONG LEARNING



Lifelong learning is the voluntary act of learning throughout life.

Enhances social inclusion, active citizenship, and personal development.

Provides an entry point for anyone in the community.



Strategic Alignment

GOAL 1:

The City has an inclusive approach to community development that values community knowledge, diversity, and wisdom.

GOAL 2:

Barriers are reduced, access is improved, and participation increases for City facilities, programs, and services.

GOAL 4:

Collaborative, creative, and innovative approaches and tools are used to leverage culture resources to enhance quality of life.

- 36 learning events throughout the Tri Region per year above the learning opportunities already offered by TriCALA. 12 of these will be hosted in Spruce Grove.
- Events and learning opportunity locations will be identified to make sure the residents have barrier free access to programming.
- Programming will have focuses on literacy, numeracy, digital literacy and English as an additional language. There will also be a variety of programs that engage residents to explore and celebrate what it means to be a lifelong learner. Many of these programs will be in partnership with others to promote community capacity building.
- We have recently started delivering digital literacy in partnership with the Spruce Grove Library, as well as have active one on one literacy and numeracy tutoring taking place for Spruce Grove residents.

The total ask at this time is \$7800 annually for two years.





QUESTIONS?



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