



Community Learning Center
614 Massachusetts Ave.
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Department of Human Service Programs

ABE SPECIAL PROJECTS: ESL LITERACY

The Community Learning Center has developed and currently provides a model ESL Literacy Program for Cambridge adults who are recent immigrants and refugees. The project enables us to offer special beginning literacy classes for learning disabled ESL students as well as other low-literacy ESL students. This project supplements our regular beginning ESL program and enables students with no literacy skills (no letter recognition, reading, or writing skills) to successfully make the transition to regular ESL classes.

ESL Literacy classes are held at 614 Mass Ave. in Central Square. New students are referred by many Cambridge organizations including COPA, CHAMA, Concilio Hispano, Centro Presente, Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House, and ACCESS/Model Jobs. In 1986, the ESL Literacy Program served more than 90 Cambridge adults.

In addition to funding ESL Literacy instruction, this ABE Special Project has allowed the CLC to develop a comprehensive selection of ESL Literacy materials, including an ESL Literacy Assessment, an Outreach/Recruitment Guide, and a Techniques Manual. The CLC was selected from 70 Massachusetts adult learning centers to develop the ESL Literacy Program because of our substantial experience providing ESL services and strong staff capability.



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June 30, 1986

To the Honorable, the City Council:

Enclosed please find additional information with respect to Calendar Item No. 9 relative to an order requesting the acceptance and appropriation of a grant in the amount of \$32,194.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Education to the Department of Human Service Programs to be used to continue a comprehensive program for assessing and teaching English-as-a-Second-Language literacy.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert W. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Re: additional information on Calendar Item 9
on the acceptance & appropriation of a grant
of \$32,194. from the Mass. Dept. of Education
to the Dept. of Human Service Programs.

In City Council,

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Order Adopted
Roll Call

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