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HARD WORK, EXPERTISE PAY OFF FOR LITERACY COUNCIL

The Literacy Council of Midland County has been awarded additional federal funding because of its excellent adult education programs and performance.

The Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth has announced that the Literacy Council of Midland County will be receiving an additional \$15,000 from the federal block grant for adult education. This is in addition to the previously determined \$31,600 for this fiscal year.

The Literacy Council of Midland County was awarded this funding increase because the agency has exceeded contracted levels for adult education services.

“The state divides any additional funds based on performance,” Allen Richard, executive director, said. “We are being rewarded both for our agency’s professionalism and for the success of our tutors and learners.”

“The extra funding is a huge pat on the back,” Mr. Richard said.

Federal funds are approximately 20 percent of the agency’s annual budget. The additional monies will go towards continued high-quality services and adult basic education programs.

Established in 1986, the Literacy Council of Midland County helps people achieve their goals in literacy. Reading changes lives. The council provides free, confidential, one-on-one tutoring in reading, spelling, math and English as a Second Language so that people of all ages can be self-sufficient in the 21st century

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