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"Hope sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible"
-Helen Keller

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Dear Friends of Literacy Suffolk,

Next month family and friends will be gathering to celebrate the uniquely American holiday, Thanksgiving. A time to pause in reflection, rejoice in blessings, and a most wonderful opportunity to share appreciation by saying Thank You . . . for your continued support in Literacy Suffolk!

Each year Literacy Suffolk chooses a theme that represents our focus - as we move into 2012, our theme is **"Optimism - Never Ever Give Up!"**

Indeed, that is a message that must be spread, especially during this poor economy and the impact on each one of us. Just imagine if you are facing the impact of a poor economy and you are also illiterate.

There are 1 in 7 adults living in Suffolk County who are at the lowest literacy level – for that 14% of our county population, the simplest of daily tasks become a challenge. Yet, for the adults who are matched with tutors, the picture brightens . . .

Now we are preparing to widen the lens of possibilities for students, through a piloted comprehensive learning approach. Our enhanced piloted program will include three levels of literacy services – Level 1 – one on one or small group tutoring; Level 2 – classroom literacy; and Level 3 – GED preparation. Through the assessment process, as a student demonstrates readiness, they will be advanced to the next level.

I ask you to join in our efforts in widening the lens of possibilities for adults living in Suffolk County – who are in need of literacy skills. Please consider supporting our expanded vision by increasing your contribution to Literacy Suffolk. Here's what I know for sure, the picture brightens with more opportunities to increase literacy in adults, often the first to benefit are their children.

Thank you again for your support, and please don't forget . . . Optimism and Never Ever Give up!

Best wishes,

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Gini Booth, Executive Director

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