



## St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center Receives \$10,000 Grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation to Support Adult Literacy

DETROIT, MI - **[May 20, 2020]** - The [Dollar General Literacy Foundation](#) recently awarded [St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center \(SVSF\)](#) a \$10,000 grant to support adult literacy. This local grant is part of more than \$8.6 million in grants awarded to more than 950 schools, nonprofits and organizations across the communities Dollar General serves.

“SVSF is grateful to Dollar General Literacy Foundation for its generous grant, which is needed now more than ever, as we continue to not only bridge the digital divide in adult education, but also provide much needed services to those students that are not online. At a time when unemployment claims are at an all-time high, it is imperative to increase the employability and literacy of our residents, helping to move them towards economic self-sufficiency. And Dollar General’s devotion to the community through their commitment to literacy is playing an important role in that evolution,” said Diane Renaud, SVSF’s Executive Director/CEO.

SVSF’s Adult Program is designed to assist adult students (age 18 or older) obtain their GED/High School Equivalency to provide the necessary foundational skills to help Southeastern Michigan residents become more self-sufficient through education. The free program offers one-on-one tutoring sessions, personalized learning plans and provides for a social work component specifically designed to help students overcome the barriers to education.

“During these extraordinary times, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation remains steadfast in its commitment to support communities’ literacy and educational advancements through funds that will impact thousands of students across the country,” said Todd Vasos, Dollar General’s CEO and Dollar General Literacy Foundation board member. “We are proud to support the meaningful and impactful work that each of today’s recipients conduct and support their ongoing efforts to help individuals improve their lives through literacy and education.”

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is proud to support initiatives that help others improve their lives through literacy and education. Since its inception in 1993, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation has awarded more than \$182 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, helping more than 11 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy or continued education.

### **About St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center**

St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center began in 1844 as St. Vincent’s Academy in Detroit, a kindergarten for orphaned children. Now with over 175 years of service, the organization has grown and evolved, continuing to fulfill its mission of serving at-risk families by providing free, personalized educational support for children and adults. These programs are designed to help build self-sufficiency skills for academic and employment success, personal achievement and dignity. Visit <http://www.svsfcenter.org/> to learn more.

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The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is proud to support initiatives that help others improve their lives through literacy and education. Since 1993, the Foundation has awarded more than \$182 million in grants to

nonprofit organizations, helping more than 11 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy, a general education diploma or English proficiency. To learn more about the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, visit [www.dgliteracy.org](http://www.dgliteracy.org).

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