



Buffalo City Mission Receives \$15,000 Grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation To Support Adult Literacy

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Buffalo, NY – **May 23, 2016** – This week, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation awarded the Buffalo City Mission a \$15,000 grant to support adult literacy. This local grant award is part of over \$7.1 million in grants awarded to more than 900 schools, nonprofits and organizations across the 43 states that Dollar General serves.

“This generous grant from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation will allow the Buffalo City Mission to provide adult literacy instruction to homeless individuals participating in the Buffalo City Mission’s long-term recovery program. Illiteracy keeps people in poverty due to a lack of marketability for higher paying jobs. Becoming a literate adult is crucial to escaping a life of poverty and homelessness. This grant will help clients in our program toward literacy achievement by receiving the educational support they need to succeed,” said Stuart Harper, CEO and Executive Director of the Buffalo City Mission.

The Adult Education Program at the Buffalo City Mission includes courses in literacy, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, Power Point), pre-collegiate Math and English, English as a Second Language, financial literacy, and job preparedness. The Buffalo City Mission’s Adult Education Programs is divided into Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall semesters, wherein clients enroll in at least four educational classes, accounting for six hours of instructional hours per week.

“Consistent with our mission of ***Serving Others***, we are excited to provide these organizations with funding to further literacy and education across the communities we call home,” said Todd Vasos, Dollar General’s CEO. “It is always so exciting to see the true and meaningful impact the Dollar General Literacy Foundation has on both children and adults looking to improve their lives through literacy.”

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 \$120 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, helping more than 7.3 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy or continued education.

About the Buffalo City Mission

The Buffalo City Mission, founded in 1917, is a nonprofit organization that provides preventative, emergency and transitional programs to thousands of people who are homeless and impoverished. The Mission includes a Women and Children’s Shelter (Cornerstone Manor); the Men’s Community Center; and Dick Road thrift store to serve the Western New York community. For more information, please visit www.buffalocitymission.org or call (716) 854-8181.

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