



Move Up-date

A monthly update from the partnership for Adult Learning
www.moveupct.org

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Move Up! Funded for Two More Years

I'm pleased to announce that the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving has awarded grant funds to Move UP! that will sustain operations for the next two years as well as increase Move UP's capacity to provide better communication to partner organizations, build regional capacity for referral, assessment, and placement, and support the project's programmatic initiatives. In addition, the Foundation will also provide funds for an outside evaluator.

Move Up! Seeks Help with Committee Work!

Move UP has re-organized its committee work to best serve the goals of the project and we need your help! Current opportunities to participate on a committee include:

- Communications Committee - responsible for the public awareness and awareness campaign.
- Measurements & Reporting Committee - responsible for development and publication of an RBA Report Card.
- Program Committee, includes for the Contextualized Learning and Pathways work groups as sub-committees.
- Resource Development Committee - responsible for fund & friend development.

For a full description of each committee, please visit our website: www.moveupct.org

To participate on a committee, simply email Sarah Dudzic: sdudzic@capitalworkforce.org.

Local Authors Celebrate Book Release

On December 11, 2014, 1199NE members, Union leaders, family, and friends came together to celebrate the recent publication of "With Our Loving Hands- 1199NE Nursing Home Workers Tell Their Story" by Hardball Press. Fifty members, many of whom are current or former adult education students were published in this powerful collection of stories that offers an intimate view of the challenges and rewards that come from helping others. Tim Shearer, the publisher, and several writers spoke at the event, each of them moving many in the audience to tears as they expressed how meaningful it was to have become a "published author." [Learn more.](#)



The book is available at [Hardball Press](#) or [Amazon](#).



CREC Receives Grant for Transitional ESL

The Transition to Employment Services of Capitol Region Education Council (CREC) was awarded a grant that centers on transitional English as a Second Language (ESL) to adults moving on to college and careers. An interesting twist to the instruction will be the incorporation of the Words2Learn smartphone app for vocabulary building. The program will run three days a week; two days focusing on ESL and the other on preparing for college.

State Legislators Consider 2-Generational Strategies

The Commission on Children has been leading a work group to make recommendations to the Legislature on two-generational strategies to promote school readiness and workforce development. Move UP! has participated on that work group and Representative Toni Walker has recently introduced legislation that encourages the use of the model.

- Upcoming Meetings & Events -

RESCHEDULED: Leadership Team Meeting

New Date: Wednesday, April 15, 2015
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Measurements & Reporting Committee

Wednesday, April 8, 2015
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

VOCAL STARS Celebration

Thursday, April 9, 2015
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Move UP! Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 17, 2015