

# CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION, INC.

*Local Partnerships in Learning*

Serving Washington, Orange, and Lamoille Counties

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## **SERVICE LOCATIONS**

### **Washington County**

Barre Learning Center  
46 Washington Street - Suite 100  
Barre, VT 05641  
(802) 476-4588  
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Montpelier Learning Center  
100 State Street - Suite 3  
Montpelier, VT 05602  
(802) 223-3403 - Phone & Fax

Waterbury Learning Center  
South Main Street - Suite 8  
Waterbury, VT 05676  
(802) 244-8765

### **Orange County**

Bradford Learning Center  
24 Barton Street - Suite 1  
PO Box 917  
Bradford, VT 05033  
(802) 222-3282 - Phone & Fax

Randolph Learning Center  
10 South Main Street  
PO Box 84  
Randolph, VT 05060  
(802) 728-4492 - Phone & Fax

### **Lamoille County**

Morrisville Learning Center  
52 Portland Street  
PO Box 478  
Morrisville, VT 05661  
(802) 888-5531  
(802) 888-4127 - Fax

Dear Members of the Selectboard:

Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE) has provided free basic education and literacy instruction for adults and teens in Waitsfield for fifty years. We are deeply grateful to the Waitsfield voters for their long-time generous support of our programs. This year, CVABE requests level funding from town voters, in the amount of \$600. This funding is key in helping Waitsfield residents who need basic education to improve their lives.

We have enclosed information on CVABE's programs and services for your Town Report, and request that an article be placed before the voters at your annual Town Meeting.

Thank you for your assistance. If further information is needed, I welcome you to call me at (802) 476-4588.

Sincerely,



Joanne Fitzgerald  
CVABE Development Coordinator  
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**Enclosure**





## CENTRAL VERMONT ADULT BASIC EDUCATION IN WAITSFIELD

~~~*Local Partnerships in Learning*~~~

- Central Vermont Adult Basic Education (CVABE) is a community-based nonprofit organization serving the basic education and literacy needs of Waitsfield adults and teens for fifty years.
- CVABE serves as central Vermont's resource for free, individualized academic tutoring for individuals (ages 16- 90+) in:
  - Basic skills programs: reading, writing, math, computer literacy
  - English Language Learning and preparation for U.S. citizenship
  - High school diploma and GED credential programs
  - Academic skill readiness for work, technical training and/or college
- CVABE has six welcoming learning centers located throughout the organization's tri-county service region, including a Learning Center in downtown Waterbury and one in downtown Montpelier. We collaborate closely with schools, libraries, employers, and a great number of other community resources to make our unique service locally accessible. Our welcome extends to everyone.
- Last year, 4 residents of Waitsfield enrolled in CVABE's free programs. Teachers instruct students one-to-one and/or in small groups. Each student has a unique education plan to address his/her learning goals. These goals might include: getting or improving one's job, earning a high school credential, helping one's children with homework, budgeting and paying bills, reading important information, obtaining a driving license, preparing for college, gaining citizenship, and more. *As parents gain literacy, their children are twice as likely to grow up literate themselves.*
- In recent years, CVABE has provided free instruction to 500-600 people annually in its overall service area of Washington, Orange and Lamoille Counties. *Nearly all students are low income*. It currently costs CVABE \$2,887 per student to provide a full year of instruction. Over 120 community volunteers work with CVABE's professional staff to meet the large need for these services while keeping overhead low.
- We are deeply appreciative of Waitsfield's voter-approved past support. This year, your level support of \$600 is again critical to CVABE's free, local education services. Only a portion of CVABE's budget is comprised of state and federal support. *Funding is needed each year from the private sector and from the towns and cities we serve, or we could not help many of the neighbors who need education for a better life.*
- **For more information** regarding CVABE's basic education and literacy instruction for students, or volunteer opportunities, contact:

**CVABE's Waterbury Learning Center**

141 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05676  
(802) 244-8765

or

**CVABE's Montpelier Learning Center**

100 State Street, Suite 3, Montpelier, VT 05602  
(802) 223-3403

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