# \*\*DIGITAL LITERACY CDachoctor Inc.

Literacy Volunteers of Rochester, Inc.



Digital Literacy provides a free, one-to-one, drop-in service to individuals who want to learn basic computer skills or complete computer-essential tasks. The program is staffed by volunteer navigators who work at various community sites.



"Digital Literacy volunteers are phenomenal."

Eric, Digital Literacy Customer

# **RISK FACTORS**





# Poverty, access to technology and literacy

are risk factors for individuals left behind by the Digital Divide.

# **OUTCOMES**

96.4% of participants learn new computer skills,

complete computer-essential tasks and become more marketable for employment.

## A SUCCESS STORY





Eric chuckles when he recalls his jail cell: "I had books stacked everywhere on my bed. I spent all my time reading about careers and work, and preparing mentally to get out and get better."

For two years, Eric and volunteer navigator Tricia have worked closely together to help him reach his goals. They created a new resume and email account, applied for jobs and explored websites for various schools and jobs.

Their collaboration continues.

# **COMMUNITY IMPACT**



Volunteers invested the equivalent of over \$143,000 of their time in 2017-18

Participants learn vital computer skills, find jobs and critical services, immeasurably improving their quality of life

Digital Literacy increases the value of libraries and adult education programs



## **COLLABORATION**

**Daisy Marquis Jones Foundation** 

Davenport-Hatch Foundation

**Empire State College** 

**Episcopal Diocese of Rochester** 

**Gates Public Library** 

Monroe Community College

Monroe County & Rochester Public Libraries (Arnett, Frederick Douglass, Gates, Lincoln, Lyell, Phillis Wheatley & Sully)

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