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## Volunteer Opportunities w/ Reading Partners

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Hello! My name is Helen Hope Kimbrough, and I have accepted the role of Community Engagement & Program Manager with Reading Partners, a national nonprofit that is new to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg area.

Invited to launch in Charlotte by Brian Schulz and Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, Reading Partners is the only national nonprofit organization with a program model that is a complete package of in-school, one-on-one literacy instruction by volunteers who are trained and supported by staff. Gold standard research conducted by MDRC, the nation's leading education research group, demonstrates that our program significantly improves core indicators of student literacy proficiency for a wide range of students.

Reading Partners helps students close their achievement gap in literacy as well as gain necessary skills to be successful in the classroom and outside of school. In Fall 2016, we will be offering programming at Sugar Creek Charter School, Joseph Grier Academy, Oakdale Elementary, Stoney Creek Elementary, and Sterling Elementary School. We are excited to be actively recruiting volunteers for all our sites!

I am reaching out to ask if you would be interested in volunteering with us. As a volunteer, you would be paired one-on-one with a K-4th grade student, who is struggling in reading, and act as their reading buddy and mentor. No education experience is necessary as we will provide the curriculum and will have trained staff members on site to support you as a tutor and volunteer. Our tutoring sessions are very flexible and happen Monday-Thursday from 8am to 3pm and we only ask for a commitment of one hour a week. If you would like more information, you can visit our website at <http://readingpartners.org/location/charlotte/>. You can also email me directly with questions at [helen.kimbrough@readingpartners.org](mailto:helen.kimbrough@readingpartners.org). Thank you in advance for your consideration in empowering children to read!

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