

RIVIERA BEACH LITERACY PROJECT

PLEDGE CARD



Yes! I want to help improve educational outcomes in Riviera Beach by pledging my support to the Lost Tree Foundation's Riviera Beach Literacy Project.

CAMPAIGN PLEDGE FORM

Donor(s): _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

PLEDGE INFORMATION

Yes, I/We want to contribute to the Riviera Beach Literacy Project Campaign.

☐ I/We have enclosed a gift of \$ _____

☐ I/We wish to pledge a gift of \$ _____

☐ I/We would like my/our gift to be paid over several years:

\$ _____ (Year 1) \$ _____ (Year 2) \$ _____ (Year 3)

Date: _____ Date: _____ Date: _____

CONTRIBUTION FORM

I/We plan to make my/our contribution in the form of:

Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Stock ☐ Other: _____

For stock transfers, instructions are as follows:

Lost Tree Village Charitable Foundation - Gift Account
c/o Northern Trust Bank
Account No. 44-17117
DTC #2669

Please charge my gift to VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER or AMEX.

(You may also enter your information online at losttreefoundation.org)

Card No.: _____

Exp. Date: _____ CVW Code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Signature: _____

My/Our gift will be matched by:

☐ I/We would like our gift to remain
anonymous

☐ Matching gift form enclosed.

☐ Matching gift form will be forwarded via mail/email.



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TRANSFORMING TEACHERS TO GROW GREAT READERS

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The Riviera Beach Literacy Project was initiated in 2012 with a grant from an anonymous Lost Tree family that wanted to help improve literacy in the nearby Riviera Beach community. Twenty additional Lost Tree families joined the cause. Transforming Teachers to Grow Great Readers is based on two key research findings - the most important predictor of success for students is the strength and quality of the classroom teacher, and if a child is not proficient in reading by third grade, s/he will spend the rest of his/her education trying to reach proficiency. Considering these known factors for educational success, the focus of this Project is on the development of the pedagogy of the teachers to ensure quality instruction for the students in the Riviera Beach public elementary schools.

The original committee, led by Hank Baer, researched a variety of options for addressing literacy and decided to hire five Reading Specialists to work with teachers and administrators to increase reading and comprehension competency for the students. Resources such as classroom libraries and professional development for the teachers have all contributed to enriching the quality of instruction. To complement this important work, Lost Tree residents have volunteered as Classroom Readers and Pen Pals to augment and reinforce the efforts of the Reading Specialists.



The Project is currently funded through December of 2026 and can only be sustained with additional funding. Following a comprehensive review of the Project's outcomes and current research related to early literacy, the Foundation has determined that the best path forward is to support the Project through the 2028 school year. This will require additional funds totaling \$1.65 million. At that time, the Project will be implemented for a total of 15 years, the schools will have merged from four schools into two, and we will finish by serving a generation of students who have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.



Donations for the Riviera Beach Literacy Project are to be used for the purposes noted above and as further detailed within the full proposal (copies available upon request). Should the charitable purpose of this project become unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment or inconsistent with the charitable needs of the community, any funds remaining shall be devoted to benefit the community of Riviera Beach and area agencies and programs which seek to improve the educational outcomes of its residents at the Foundation's sole discretion, in consultation with Foundation donors and under the direction of the Riviera Beach Literacy Project Committee. Foundation donors may alternatively request that any remaining funds from their contribution(s) be returned to them and/or redirected for another charitable purpose.

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