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Ulster Literacy Association receives a \$5,000 check from the Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation. Pictured (from left to right) Amy Lenard, Program Director, ULA; Jay Levine, Office Manager, ULA; Bill Calderara, President and CEO, Ulster Savings Bank; Casandra Beam, CEO, ULA; John Finch, EVP/COO, Ulster Savings Bank; Jeanine Lindhorst, Board Member, ULA; Lisa Hantes, Volunteer Coordinator, ULA; and MaryRose Warcholak, Senior VP of Branch Administration.

ULSTER SAVINGS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION AWARDS ULSTER LITERACY ASSOCIATION WITH \$5,000 GRANT

(Kingston, NY) The Ulster Literacy Association (ULA) has been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation to support its English for Farmworkers program.

A not-for-profit organization, ULA recruits, trains, and supports volunteers throughout Ulster County to become literacy tutors for adults who want to learn to read and write or improve their English. They currently provide English for Parents classes at three schools in Kingston; they teach life skills, writing, and computer literacy to inmates at the county jail; they support 125 one-to-one tutoring pairs, and teach farm workers on six farms in Ulster County.

"We continuously look for new opportunities to place our volunteers in meaningful and impactful teaching situations," said Casandra Beam, Ulster Literacy Association CEO. "Thanks to this generous grant from Ulster Savings, we can continue to provide one-to-one tutoring, group lessons, and an annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the participants in our English for Farmworkers program," she added.

The Ulster Savings Charitable Foundation was formed in 2003 to assist the local community in areas of housing, education, and human services.

For more information about the Ulster Literacy Association, please visit them online at www.ulsterliteracy.org.

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