



EVERYONE SHOULD READ

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"Can you read this?"

Yes? Consider yourself fortunate.

According to statistics from the United States Department of Education, an astonishing 32 million U.S. adults cannot read. Of that number, over 65% are minority populations.

Let's do something about that.

The NSU Alvin Sherman Library's *Circle of Friends* is forming a Young Professionals Group ("YPG") which will be organizing a handful of events over the upcoming year focused on raising money for literacy awareness and reading programs for Broward County and Southeast Florida's youth. The *Circle of Friends* and YPG strongly believe that learning to read proficiently from a young age is critical to an individual's long-term personal and professional well-being.

Being in its formative stage, the YPG is looking for new members to help organize events to raise money for this cause, and anticipates hosting events that will range from networking and social opportunities for young professionals to activities that focus on families and raising awareness for the library and youth literacy.

If you are interested in getting involved in the *Circle of Friends*'s Young Professionals Group, please join us for an initial meeting on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM at the NSU Art Museum located at 1 E. Las Olas Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, 33301. Please RSVP to Greg McDermott at gregory.mcdermott@gmail.com.

Regards,

Greg

P.S. There's something here for everyone!