

## Libraries and Information Literacy

Libraries can help all Pennsylvanians learn how to use online resources and current technology to improve their education, to enhance their job skills, to develop their personal lives, and to fully participate in a digital society.

### Information Literacy in Action

In Lehigh County, a *Computer Tutor* program at the local library teams local high school students with older adults who want to improve their computer skills. A series of six basic computer skills classes are offered twice each year. Teen tutors, who must complete a training course prior to joining the program, provide one-on-one help for the older adults during each class.

*Gadgets for Grownups* is a popular program in Centre County where adults attend a weekly Saturday class at the library to learn about new equipment and technology. This includes e-book readers, iPads, mp3 players, Google apps, basic computer skills, smart phones, databases (like Ancestry.com and Freegal Music™), social networking, Skype, and Apple devices.

Additional examples can be found on the PA Forward | Pennsylvania Libraries website, [www.paforward.org](http://www.paforward.org).

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