Volunteers Cast a Beautiful Shadow

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Each day as the sun begins to rise
The earth is warmed by rays so fine
And as we pause and drink warmth in
We see our shadows start to begin

As children we tried to runaway

From the lingering soul that accompanied us each day

As years went by we then understood

That to see our shadow was a sign of good

Now often when we volunteer
The impact of our work is seldom near
Yet like our shadow that lingers close
Our collective efforts continue to bring hope

For 28 years our mission has been met
By volunteers who will not forget
To be unable to read is a dark cloud in the sky
As our volunteers you will not idly stand by

And as the sun in the sky does climb
Our shadow lengthens over time
Always there, a comfort to see
Bringing hope eternal to those in need

We are the sun, you are the rays
Warming life in so many ways
You are the reason we continue to be
An advocate for literacy

Thank you to all our Volunteers in Recognition of National Volunteer Week 2013

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