We have Free U.S. Citizenship Study classes in Carson City, Douglas and Washoe Counties. Students also receive help with applications if necessary. The fee to become a citizen is $680.00. Obviously, many of these people do not have the full fee even though working 2-3 jobs. We have 51 students ready to take the citizenship exam but do not have savings for the full fee. If there is a community foundation member or individuals who would consider providing some financial assistance to these students, in the form of a grant or a loan, please contact Florence Phillips 775-888-2021.
HELP OUR FUTURE POPULATION

Community volunteerism and engagement are important components to a healthy and resilient community. According to the report *Volunteering and Civic Life in America*, **Nevada ranks 49th out of 50 states** in terms of our volunteerism and engagement rates. “Do you find yourself in this data?” “Do you feel this is reflective of your community?” “Does this surprise you?”

The ESL In-Home Program of Northern Nevada currently has 89 tutors who are 55-88 years of age. They tutor 205 students in all levels of ESL, Workplace Communication, GED preparation, Practice English Conversation, Computer Literacy and U.S. Citizenship Study.

A few Testimonials: From Tutors: “I now have a purpose...” “Since retirement, my volunteerism keeps me young and vibrant...”; “I love helping a single mother with ESL so she helps her child with school homework”; “My experience with this program has been a remarkable journey. I see the eyes of my students with a feeling of gratitude and pride as they progress”; “The opportunity to teach ESL is the gift that keeps on giving! I am forever grateful”; “I’ve learned so much from the people I am helping”; “While my student is handicapped physically and visually, he is making good progress. I know he is happy to have the chance to read with a tutor each time I come. He expresses his appreciation at every session”; “I’m thankful to be a part of an organization that is making a difference in so many lives, bringing the joy of accomplishment to many who would not otherwise experience it”; “My student who understood a little English when she started is now shopping alone at Walmart and Marshalls. She also orders for herself at restaurants.”

A few Testimonials From students: “My tutor played a huge role in helping me pass the GED and helped me to be able to score in the top 10% of Nevada. I am very thankful for the help I got from the ESL In-Home Program.” “I now feel comfortable when I speak with a person and I understand more.” “My life has changed tremendously now that I can speak, read, write.” “I NOW UNDERSTAND THE CLERKS IN English-speaking stores and they understand me!!” “I can now read stories in English to my school children”. “I was able to help a friend so she could understand her bosses requests.” “I can now read my children’s teacher’s letters that she brings home.” “Attending the GED class helped me find a job”. “I as an advanced student can now give back to the program by helping another beginner.”

Volunteering improves quality of life

According to a report in the October issue of AARP Magazine, only 28 percent of people who donated their time at a school, hospital, or other nonprofit organization or participated in a club or social group in the past 12 months reported they were lonely. This compares with 41 percent loneliness for those who do not volunteer or belong to a social group. Volunteering and working with others for a common cause deepens relationships and increases a sense of belonging and satisfaction with life and self.

(Source: A.V.I.D. Newsletter)

![Merry Christmas](image)
**TUTOR TIPS**

**Math**
Calculator Video (7 minutes) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pcxCEkwZ3Y](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pcxCEkwZ3Y)
Arithmetic & Pre-Algebra (Khan Academy) [http://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic](http://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic)
Geometry (Khan Academy) [http://www.khanacademy.org/math/geometry/](http://www.khanacademy.org/math/geometry/)
Math Practice (TV411) [http://www.tv411.org/math](http://www.tv411.org/math)
Math Practice (GCF Learnfree) [http://www.gcflearnfree.org/math](http://www.gcflearnfree.org/math)
Math Instruction (Math without borders) [http://www.mathwithoutborders.com](http://www.mathwithoutborders.com)

**Practice Test (TV411)** [http://www.tv411.org/math](http://www.tv411.org/math)

**Reading**
Practice (GED411) [http://www.tv411.org/reading](http://www.tv411.org/reading)
Reading the Fine Print Lesson (GED411) [http://www.tv411.org/reading/understanding-what-you-read/reading-fine-print](http://www.tv411.org/reading/understanding-what-you-read/reading-fine-print)

**Writing**
Purdue Online Writing Center GED Study [http://owl.english.purdue.edu/engagement/2/](http://owl.english.purdue.edu/engagement/2/)

**Science**
Practice (GED411) [http://www.tv411.org/science](http://www.tv411.org/science)
Science Crosswords (Jefferson Lab) [http://education.jlab.org/sciencecrossword/index.html](http://education.jlab.org/sciencecrossword/index.html)
Periodic Table of Elements [http://www.periodicvideos.com](http://www.periodicvideos.com)

**Social Studies**
Teaching with Documents (National Archives) [http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/depression-wwii.html](http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/depression-wwii.html)

**General**
Practice Test (4tests.com) [http://www.4tests.com/exams/examdetail.asp?eid=38](http://www.4tests.com/exams/examdetail.asp?eid=38)

**Keyboarding**
Typeoids [http://www.phoboslab.org/ztype/](http://www.phoboslab.org/ztype/)

**ESL**

**Teaching Tools**
Design your own online quiz [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com)
Portal to lots of educational tools [www.edmodo.com](http://www.edmodo.com)
From the Executive Director

“The road to daily happiness is not hard to find, it’s what we do for others that brings us peace of mind.” - Unknown Source

Be a rainbow in someone’s life…..Maya Angelou

Experts say volunteering—and the connection to the world it inspires—leads to less depression, fewer hospital stays, and more preventive health care. It’s also good for your heart and soul.

JOIN OUR PROGRAM: OUR INVESTMENT IS TO HELP ESL PARENTS LEARN ENGLISH IN ORDER FOR THEM TO HELP THEIR ESL SCHOOL CHILDREN.

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In 5 Counties: Carson, Washoe, Douglas, Lyon and Churchill

Mission Statement: ESL In-Home Program of Northern Nevada provides free adult educational programs that empower people, especially those of low-to-moderate income, to become more productive members of their local communities by providing them with the language and cultural skills necessary for life in America.

Tutoring one-on-one in English as a Second Language (ESL), GED Preparation, Workplace Communication, Financial Literacy, Computer Literacy, and U.S. Citizenship Study........ AT NO COST!!!!

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Invite your friends to become a volunteer tutor! Tell them why you enjoy the experience. Invite them to learn more about our program at our website: www.eslinhome.org.

It is not necessary for tutors to know a foreign language nor have prior teaching experience. We train at no cost......one hour at your day/time/location.

If you would like to be taken off our mailing list please email us at: eslinhomenv@aol.com

We’re on the Web and on Facebook!
www.eslinhome.org

All donations go to purchasing books to start new students. Please go to: www.gofundme.com/eslinhome
Even one dollar helps. Or, if you have an AMAZON account and you are buying gifts for birthdays, holidays, just because? Go to: www.smile.amazon.com and choose ESL In-Home Program as your charity.