

VOLUNTEER TUTOR COMMENTS

"In the 80's with the immigrant population increasing in the need for ESL services was growing. As a retired teacher, I found the perfect way to get involved by joining SCLC. Now, 27 years later, I know it was the best choice I could have made. The students are so motivated and show so much appreciation for what we volunteers feel privileged to do. It is always fun!"

Barbara L.



"My grandparents were immigrants from Poland and struggled with English, so I have always felt sympathetic toward the immigrant population. As a kid, I was blessed to grow up in a diverse community in Los Angeles, and I learned from a very young age to appreciate other people, languages, foods, and cultures. I have had a wonderful life and when I retired, I felt it was time (and only fair) to give something back to my community. So, I decided that helping people learn English would be a perfect volunteer opportunity for me. To my surprise, instead of "giving back," I find that I am the beneficiary! I thoroughly enjoy my time with English learners, and I continue to be blessed by being part of a diverse community of people, languages, foods, and cultures. I highly recommend this volunteer experience."

Sandy W.



"My students have taught me that people are people, no matter where they are from. People love their families. They enjoy laughing. They enjoy talking about food, customs, shopping, and medical problems - to name a few of their several favorite topics. They appreciate the kindness of others and respond with kindness to others. Sometimes I feel tired before class, but I always feel invigorated after class!"

Linda I



"For me it's very rewarding to see how students from all parts of the world want to integrate to the American way of life by learning the English language. I enjoy mature groups of students as I have fun finding similarities in all of us as people, as well as learning the differences within cultures. Overall I'm glad to be part of the SCLC volunteer group that that wants to help its communities."

Mario S.

