



# Volunteer Opportunities!

*There is a wide range of educational backgrounds, life experiences and goals among the students; so you must be comfortable working with a diverse group of people in a multicultural setting. Students pay a quarterly fee of \$25 and can take as many classes as they'd like to. There are work-trade and student committee alternatives to tuition.*

## **ELL: English Language Learning/ESL Program**

Student-centered English as a Second Language classes for adult learners provided Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 – 8:30 PM by part-time staff, student interns, and volunteers. Class curriculum is created around real life situations, with a focus on functional English language skills and maximum relevance to our students' lives. We provide ESL trainings at the beginning of each quarter. Spanish skills not required.

### *Opportunities:*

- ELL tutor, ELL administrative support.

## **Computer Literacy**

Weekly student-centered Computer Literacy classes in Spanish for adult learners provided Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30. Support our instructor Gloria Atón with setting up the Computer Lab for classes and working with adult learners in their acquisition of basic computer skills. Fluent Spanish skills and computer literacy are required. Help is also needed to prepare donated computers for use in class. This program is free of charge.

### *Opportunities:*

- Organize laptop and desktop drives for CIELO, assist the instructor in class as needed.

## **Spanish Literacy/GED Preparation**

Students study elementary grades through high school in Spanish by means of an online learning system managed by the Mexican Consulate combined with individual tutoring, in preparation for the GED exam taken at South Puget Sound Community College. Fluent Spanish skills, computer literacy, and knowledge of basic high school subjects are required. This program is free of charge.

### *Opportunities:*

- Provide technical support to groups of students in the computer lab, tutor individuals, and provide administrative support to the program.

## **CIELO Sewing Coop**

This project provides instruction in pattern making, basic sewing skills and alteration techniques on Saturdays and is funded by the Women's Leadership Council of the Thurston County United Way. These skills may allow students to become self-sufficient through a home-based business or employment. Once the basic course is completed, the women will become part of the CIELO Sewing Cooperative, which takes in sewing-related work from the community. Provide support for our instructor and students. Fluent Spanish skills and sewing experience are required. This program is free of charge.

### *Opportunities:*

- Assist the instructor and members of the co-op during class, help organize donation drives, do outreach work in the community for the co-op.

## **Childcare**

Free childcare is provided for all our classes. Childcare increases the accessibility of our classes and allows parents to be active members of their learning community. Volunteers must pass a WA State Criminal Background Check. We encourage structured play outside, and creative and educational activities inside. Spanish skills preferred, but not required. There are ongoing classes

throughout the week, mornings and evenings. We ask for a time commitment so both children and parents can get to know you.

### **Miscellaneous**

There are a number of other ways to become involved with the CIELO Project. We have an ongoing need for support in Webpage editing, Newsletter editor, community outreach for the programs at CIELO, administrative support, accounting, donation drives, and brochure design. I encourage you to think creatively about any skills, talents, or experience you may have and how that could potentially fit into one of our programs.

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