

Greetings!

This time of year we reflect with gratitude on the many gifts we have, our friends and family, and think about what we can do for others. The world around us seems more hopeful and kind. We at English At Large have so much to be thankful for, this year especially, all because of **YOU**!

THANK YOU for sharing your time, your knowledge and talents, and your compassion as an EAL volunteer...

THANK YOU for supporting our mission and vision with your donations....

THANK YOU for advocating for the value of our work, by promoting EAL in your community, and by making calls to your elected officials

YOU are the driving force behind our mission.

YOU have given us a most remarkable year.

THANK YOU for your support of English At Large.

In the near future we will be sending out our year-end appeal. This year we wanted to connect you with one of the **hundreds of learners who benefit from your financial support**. We asked them to share with us why they are learning English. Their answers will inspire you. **Your support changes lives.**

We wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Best regards, Maureen ed@englishatlarge.org

Maureen Willis, Executive Director

A Tale of Two EAL Volunteers: An Inspirational Story



Cathy Melhorn (left) and Vicki Ford (right) are veteran EAL volunteers who have made a difference for hundreds of learners in Arlington and surrounding communities as facilitators in our Conversation Group program.

They often go above and beyond their normal volunteer roles to help their learners overcome individual challenges. Here is just one example:

Last summer, Alex V., a learner in Vicki's Conversation Group, was struggling with his English and asked for her help. Vicki was not available, so Cathy volunteered to tutor Alex outside of the group to help support his learning. Alex was so grateful that he wanted to pay Cathy for her help. Cathy refused, and encouraged Alex to "pay it forward". He decided to make a generous donation to English At Large in honor of Cathy and Vicki.

Thank you Cathy and Vicki for making a difference for local learners and for inspiring this wonderful support!





2018 Volunteer Development Day

Each year we invite our volunteers to attend Volunteer Development Day, which offers informational

presentations, workshops and opportunities for networking to support our volunteers. <u>Read more here</u>

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Now Recruiting Town Ambassadors!



Are you well-informed, connected and active in your community? Do you want to help increase awareness of EAL and the value of immigrants in your community? Then this role may be perfect for you!

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