



CARECEN

Central American Refugee Center

ENGLISH CONVERSATION VOLUNTEER ROLES

The Central American Refugee Center (CARECEN) is a non-profit organization that has served the immigrant community on Long Island for four decades through legal services, community education, and advocacy. We seek engaging and passionate volunteers to help facilitate conversations in our English Conversation groups.

Overview of the Role

CARECEN established English conversation groups to help our clients practice their verbal English. The groups allow clients to practice their language skills among their peers in a safe environment.

- The groups are not English classes; we do not teach grammar, spelling, etc.
- The groups provide English conversation to help clients improve their skills.
- There are two types of roles in this program:
 - Teacher volunteer role
 - Support volunteer role

Tuesdays 6:30 pm-7:30 pm & Thursdays 6:30 pm-7:30 pm via Zoom

The volunteer must commit to one of those days for a full quarter (10 weeks)

Primary Duties

- Directly engage with members of the immigrant community by facilitating conversations in English.
- **Teacher volunteer role:**
 - Prep?
 - reach out every week to support volunteers with the topic to ensure that everyone is on the same page, and provide the resources for the discussion that week.
- **Support volunteer role:** Assist the volunteer teacher in engaging the students to speak, providing backup to the conversation, and ensuring that all students have a chance to speak.

Qualifications

- Passion for service, especially to those in immigrant communities
- The class is run in English exclusively, but knowledge of languages other than English is a plus to occasionally assist students.

Benefits

- Develop leadership skills
- Improve services for underserved immigrants
- Develop meaningful connections within the community

If you are interested in participating or learning more about CARECEN's English Conversation Program, please visit www.carecenny.org/volunteer to sign up.

~Thank you for your interest in helping our immigrant community~