

English Language Partners of Wisconsin, Inc.

Our vision is a cohesive community where

- Immigrants see native-born American citizens as their language coaches and guides in the American culture.
- Native-born Americans cherish immigrants as our nation's future citizens, innovators, and leaders, and support legislation that will facilitate their integration as equal members into our society.

OUR MISSION:

Through small-group English classes, Americans and immigrants develop relationships of mutual respect that result in immigrants' integration in the U.S. society and a warm welcome into communities of support.

English language learning for immigrants is a means towards improving the financial productivity of current immigrant taxpayers and paving the way for their children to follow them into the workforce.

There are not enough children of middle-class American-born citizens to form a productive tax-base for the next generations.

Every immigrant family that comes to us for English classes acquires linguistic tools that can help them improve their financial health, which in turn makes the family unit more stable. A stable family unit helps the parents become more productive taxpayers and nurtures our nation's future taxpayers.

Every tutor in our program plays a part in improving our current and future tax base. And, our young tutors receive valuable cross-cultural communication training for the global market.

CURRENT MODELS of volunteer-based teaching at Gethsemane Lutheran Church

- English Conversation Outreach – Adult ESL in small groups or one-on-one tutoring
- Children's Learning Program
- Spanish for Tutors

FUTURE MODELS

- Spanish Literacy Outreach for Latino Adults
- Academic English Outreach for adults
 - immigrants who need a bridge between advanced ESL and college prep
 - children of immigrants
 - low-income neighborhoods with failing schools
- Partners in Citizenship