

ELL Foundation, Inc. 2017 Annual Report

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Letter from the President

Dear Friends:

I am thrilled to begin serving as Board President of the English Language Learning Foundation Inc., a Greater Cincinnati nonprofit that focuses on helping local ELL students to become successful in their academic lives while fostering their cultural identities. I would like to thank our former Board President Marie Kobayashi for nominating me, and our entire board for putting their trust in me. In particular, I would like to thank Sr. Margarita Brewer; I wouldn't be in this position without her support and mentorship. As Board President of the ELL Foundation, I will focus on strategic management, stewardship, and student impact. Simply put, our ELL students deserve it.

2017 was a tremendously successful year for the ELL Foundation. At our 9th
Annual Recognition Breakfast in February, we were able to award \$15,750 in scholarships to 25 local ELL students studying at the following institutions: Northern Kentucky University, Xavier University, Cincinnati State TCT, the University of Cincinnati, and the University of Cincinnati- Blue Ash. In April, Covington, KY-based Kung Food Chu's AmerAsia hosted a fundraiser/ block party called "Beer-Lingual" that aimed to show support and love for local immigrants in Cincinnati/ Northern Kentucky. AmerAsia was able to contribute over \$3,200 to the ELL Foundation from this event, which was the largest donation we've received from a small business. Dozens of local ELL middle and high school students attended the ELL Foundation's annual "Fun with Water Science Camp" and "Safari to the Water Underground" enrichment programs this past July, where they had the opportunity to learn about environmental science, microbiology, and chemistry from local experts. Finally, in December the ELL Foundation partnered with the NKU Latino Institute for Excellence and the NKU LULAC Chapter on organizing and coordinating a benefit dinner for Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory that continues to recover from hurricane Maria.

In the face of increasingly divisive and anti-immigrant rhetoric and actions from some politicians, hate groups, and extremists, 2017 showed that the people Greater Cincinnati/ Northern Kentucky continue to stand in solidarity with local immigrants and ELL students because they are worth it. *All* children deserve access to quality summer enrichment programs. *All* children and *all* young adults deserve access to quality higher education. *All* children deserve to become successful in their academic lives while also appreciating their cultural identities. I encourage you to consider how you can give back to support our local ELL students, whether it be through tutoring and mentoring, getting involved in our summer camps, or hosting a fundraiser on our behalf to support student scholarships. *All* of us have the power and responsibility to ensure a more just and equitable world for our children.

Sincerely,

Keith W. Lanser, MA Board President

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Strategic Plan 2022

Goal 1: Enhance Scholarships and Educational Programs

Enhancements were made to scholarship application process

Goal 2: Enhance Strategic Management Processes & Procedures

- Updated ELL Foundation bylaws related to: board officers and duties, committee composition, finances, corporate records, transparency and accountability, and board dissolution
- Welcomed new Board Member and Board Secretary Janet Walsh
- New five year strategic plan created
- New annual report created for 2017
- Updated ELL Foundation Inc. website



9th Annual Recognition Breakfast



Strategic Plan 2022

Goal 3: Become Visible in Community/ Share Success Stories

- KungFood Chu's AmerAsia hosted the "Beer Lingual" block party/ fundraiser bene
 - fiting the ELL Foundation; raised over \$3200 for our scholarship program, which became our largest donation from a small business
- ELL Foundation partnered with NKU Latino
 Institute for Excellence and NKU LULAC
 Chapter to organize and coordinate a benefit
 dinner for Puerto Rico,
- Facebook page activated: 132 followers (+338%), 129 likes (+379%)
- Promoted scholarship program at DePaul Cristo Rey High School



Beer Lingual Block Party
Photo By: David Sorcher, WCPO

Goal 2: Become financially sustainable

- % of expenses spent on ELL Foundation programs: 64%
- Number of individual donors: 100
- Total revenue in 2017: \$46,991.43
- Total program expenses: \$25,346.79
- Net income: \$20,255.53
- New way to give: http://www.ellfoundationcinci.org/support-us.html



Puerto Rico Benefit Dinner



Functional Expenses: \$26,735.90



Public Support/ Revenue: \$46,991.43





1.Become an ESL volunteer tutor with Cincinnati Public Schools.

- By assisting ESL students in subjects such as mathematics, English and science, volunteer tutors and students develop mutually rewarding bonds and experiences for each other, parents, schools, and the community overall.
- If you are interested in becoming an ESL volunteer, contact JoRena Phelps at Cincinnati Public Schools: (513) 363-3252 or phelpsj@cps-k12.org.

2. Volunteer with the ELL Foundation.

- Do you have a special talent or skill that you could share with the Foundation? Consider volunteering with our Foundation.
 We are always looking for people to help with: making solicitations for our annual Recognition Breakfast, coordinating educational experiences for local ELL students, and hosting mini fundraisers throughout the year.
- If you are interested in volunteering with the ELL Foundation, please contact development.events@ellfoundationcinci.org.

3. Donate to the ELL Foundation.

- Consider making a one time or recurring donation of any denomination online:
 - http://www.ellfoundationcinci.org/support-us.html
- Checks can be mailed to: P.O. Box 19975, Cincinnati, OH 45219.



The ELL Foundation has no paid staff, so we rely on the time, talent, and treasures of our volunteers and donors. We appreciate the contribution of each and every donor. Donors from 2017 are listed below in alphabetical order.

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