

VISTA Host Sites

Boys and Girls Clubs of Las Vegas

At the Boys & Girls Clubs of Las Vegas, our mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. Our core programs engage young people in activities with adults, peers and family members that enable them to reach their full potential. Based on the interests and needs of the boys and girls they serve, clubs offer diverse program activities in five areas: Character and Leadership Development, Education and Career Development, The Arts, Sports Fitness and Recreation, and Health and Life Skills.

(www.bgclv.org)

Consumer Credit Counseling Service

Consumer Credit Counseling Service is a non-profit NFCC member United Way Agency that offers free financial consumer credit counseling and credit education. Creditors are usually very cooperative with CCCS, waiving or reducing finance charges and late fees, reducing payments and/or bringing past due accounts current because our clients have sought out our professional guidance. Many people face imposing financial straits; and although mismanagement and over-spending are sometimes to blame, job loss, illness, and accidents can also place families in financial jeopardy. All counseling is completely confidential and free.

(www.cccsnevada.org)

HELP of Southern Nevada

Over the years, HELP of Southern Nevada has grown exponentially and to make sure everything they do falls within their mission the building blocks for HELP of Southern Nevada lead to four cornerstones: **H**ousing, **E**mergency Services, **L**ife Skills and **P**revention. Within these four cornerstones there are a myriad of services and programs designed to assist those seeking self-sufficiency in our community.

We strategically expand our programs and refine our service delivery systems to better serve the poor, the homeless and those in crisis who come to us as a place of last resort. We assist families and individuals throughout Southern Nevada to overcome barriers and attain self-sufficiency through direct services, training and referral to community resources.

(www.helpsonv.org)

Interfaith Council of Southern Nevada

The Interfaith Council of Southern Nevada promotes activities that encourage understanding and respect among all people, all traditions, all cultures, all philosophies, and all communities. We encourage your interest and involvement as we improve the quality of life and sense of community here in Southern Nevada. We advocate for social justice and human rights from a faith-based perspective; educate the broader community from faith-based perspectives; convene groups that encourage appreciation of differences without any coercion to participate in any ritual or be proselytized; nurture interfaith understanding; and enhance human services through religious communities' resources.

(interfaithsn.org)

Public Education Foundation

We believe in the promise of public education. We believe that public education can deliver and every child can learn. The Public Education Foundation recognizes that community and business involvement is vital to school improvement. We are dedicated to generating community resources and facilitating collaborations and partnerships to ensure high-quality public educational opportunities for all children. Through collaboration with principals, teachers, administrators, businesses, community organizations and local citizens, the Board of Directors created an organization that works to develop and implement school improvement strategies, create model programs, leverage resources, award grants and scholarships, and improve the standing of public schools in our community, state and nation. The Foundation continues to be guided by a spirit of innovation and a willingness to take risks in an unending pursuit of bold new thinking and innovative approaches to public education.

(www.thepef.org)

American Red Cross, Southern Nevada Chapter

The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. On January 1, 2001 the Clark County Chapter was renamed the "American Red Cross, Southern Nevada Chapter" to reflect the fact that the organization served areas throughout Southern Nevada. The Southern Nevada Chapter is responsible for the following areas: Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, Henderson, Boulder City, Laughlin, Sandy Valley, Indian Springs, Good Springs, Overton, Logandale, Moapa and Mesquite. In the capacity of a state service deliverer, the chapter is responsible for Lincoln, Nye and Esmeralda Counties. The chapter's mission is to train and educate volunteers and the Southern Nevada community to prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

(www.redcrosslasvegas.org)

Three Square Food Bank

Three Square is the valley's food hub; a central location where donated and rescued food can be collected and distributed. We provide bakery, produce, dairy, non-perishable products and ready-to-eat meals to non-profit and faith-based organizations. We also facilitate childhood and senior nutrition programs. We are a place for members of the community to meet, serve and collaborate as part of the food solution. A national model project, Three Square is a community collaborative partnership with the gaming industry, businesses, non-profit agencies, food distributors, UNLV, the CCSD, governmental entities, the media and hundreds of volunteers to efficiently and effectively serve hope to the hungry.

(www.threesquare.org)

United Labor Agency of Nevada

ULAN provides various programs to assist union members and their families who have been victims of an accident, illness, layoff, disaster or any situation that has caused a hardship. When members of local unions and their families are referred to ULAN, they are interviewed by ULAN staff who will assess their needs. These needs are met by referrals to appropriate off-site agencies or through the direct assistance programs provided on-site by ULAN. ULAN locates available resources, prescreens for eligibility and makes referrals to appropriate human and health services.

(<http://www.ulan.org>)