

*Thank you for wanting to better the lives of others through literacy.*

Donations are appreciated

Your donation helps us provide essential literacy services for adults in our community. Visit our website at [www.readwest.org](http://www.readwest.org) to donate or write to us at PO Box 44508 Rio Rancho, NM 87174.

We can't do what we do, without you!

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## Non-profit Adult Literacy Center

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## BL, ESL, HSE, CL, CITZ

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**ADULT LITERACY CENTER**

*Literacy Changes Lives!*

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## ReadWest Adult Literacy

### Our Mission

ReadWest's mission is to provide quality in-person or digital one-to-one tutoring and/or classes to adults seeking to transform their lives through enhanced literacy skills.

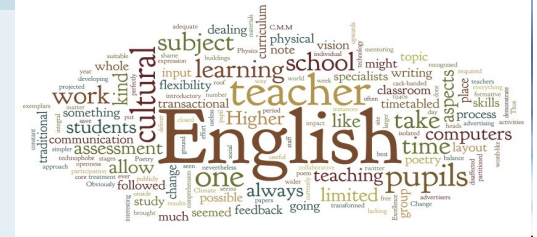
### Our Vision

ReadWest exists to increase literacy skills for adults as the means of achieving basic survival skills, parenting skills,

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And individual donors, like you.



## Tutor Training

ESL—Saturday, September 23, 2023  
BL—Saturday, October 21, 2023  
ESL—Saturday, November 11, 2023  
BL— Saturday, January 13, 2024  
ESL— Saturday, February 24, 2024  
BL— Saturday, March 23, 2024  
ESL—Saturday, April 20, 2024

BL = Basic Literacy

ESL = English as a Second Language

HSE = High School Equivalency

CL = Computer Literacy

CITZ = Citizenship Preparation

## What's Involved?

Choose what you want to help an adult learner with, English, Reading etc. Watch our orientation online. Attend tutor training. Receive a certificate of completion. You will then be paired with an adult learner. Attend follow-up workshop. You and your student will meet once a week for two hours. You can meet online or in-person.

We are learner focused and strive to make every adult New Mexican's literacy goals come true.

## Become a Volunteer Tutor

Volunteer tutors are greatly needed to ensure low-literacy adults can:

- \* Learn English
- \* Learn to Read and Write
- \* Pass their High School Equivalency exam
- \* Help their children with schoolwork
- \* Fill out job applications
- \* Pass their citizenship test
- \* Learn basic computer skills
- \* And much, much more

*You don't need to speak a foreign language or have teaching experience to become a volunteer tutor. The only thing you need is the desire to help.*

## About ReadWest

ReadWest began as the Westside Literacy Volunteers and was the brainchild of Barbara King, Corrales librarian, who contacted Santa Fe in 1988, to ask for assistance in beginning a literacy project to serve Westside residents. The Coalition sent Jesse Kline from Taos to train the first 28 tutor volunteers and help the new coordinator get started. The Westside literacy program was also affiliated with the national Literacy Volunteers of America organization.

Melinda Taylor was 23 when she first heard about the new literacy program at a November 1988 meeting at the Corrales Library. The new literacy program was housed in the Corrales Library until 1990 when they moved to the United Way Westside Service Center in All Saints Lutheran Church on Coors Road. Seventy tutors and students worked on student goals the first year. The service area was Taylor Ranch, Paradise Hills, Corrales, Rio Rancho and Bernalillo.

Structure for the literacy program; free one-to-one tutoring by

volunteers and strict adherence to meeting student-identified goals, is essentially the same now as it was in 1989.

Articles of Incorporation for ReadWest, Inc.-LVA were signed by Melinda Taylor, Alois Weber, and James Tink as first directors on December 14, 1989, is formally filed with the state of New Mexico.

ReadWest was welcomed to Rio Rancho by Mayor Pro Tim Carl M. Zander on February 2, 1989.

ReadWest received its first grant to expand services from the state legislature in March 1990.....

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