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**GIVING A VOICE TO HOMELESS PEOPLE IN NEVADA**

**October 2009**

***NEVADA DEPT. OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
AT PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT***

**--Courtesy of Gaylord Pearson**

The Nevada Dept. of Motor Vehicles will have a booth at the Project Homeless Connect at Cashman Stadium on Nov. 10th to answer any questions about getting a Nevada I.D. Card. If you have all the information to get a new I.D. Card, bring it with you to the booth and we may be able to get you a free 1-day bus pass to go to a Nevada Dept. office to get an I.D. Card.

To get a Nevada Identification Card you need the following information:

1. You must have a Social Security card-- this must be an original card. No copies will be accepted. To get a Social Security card, call 1-866-704-4859.
2. You need one other form of identification also-- it may be
  - A. Birth Certificate-- to get a birth certificate, go to Clark County Social Services

Office at 1600 Pinto Lane-- Get a referral from them-- take it to the Lutheran Social Services Office at 51 N. Pecos Road and they will help you get a certificate.

- B. Military DD-214 Discharge Papers-- to get a copy call 636-4077, K. Nolan.
- C. An expired Nevada I/D. Card if info is still in their system.
- D. Check with Nevada DMV for other Proof of Identity they will accept.

To get an I.D. Card, you must also have:

- a. a current Mailing Address.
- b. and \$12.00 for the cost of the I.D. Card.

Note: DMV will not accept out of state driver license as Proof of Identification.

Any questions, call DMV (702) 486-4368.

***CCSS POLICY / PROCESS CHANGES  
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**Clark County Social Services  
Changes to Verification  
Requirements**

- All clients must provide two forms of identification.
- All adults must provide a current

(not expired) government issued photo identification which indicates a Clark County residential address. (One month exception given for medical cards)

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**NEVADA HOMELESS ALLIANCE**

## HELP US END HOMELESSNESS

On any given day we know there are 11,400 homeless individuals on the street. Help us bring dignity and hope to the thousands of lives living on our streets by volunteering or donating to Project Homeless Connect.

November 10,  
2009  
Cashman Center

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- Donate money
- Donate your enthusiasm

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Helping the Homeless in Southern Nevada

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- 1) TO PUBLISH A STREET NEWSPAPER WRITTEN MAINLY BY HOMELESS PEOPLE, FORMERLY HOMELESS PEOPLE, AND HOMELESS ADVOCATES IN ORDER TO EMPOWER THEM AND GIVE THEM A VOICE;
- 2) TO BUILD AND ENHANCE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND FACILITATE POSITIVE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HOMELESS PEOPLE, HOMELESS ADVOCATES, SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC;
- 3) TO BUILD AWARENESS OF SOCIAL SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO POOR AND HOMELESS PEOPLE, AND OTHER SUCH INFORMATION THAT WOULD BE EDUCATIONAL TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION; AND
- 4) TO EXPAND AND REDEFINE OUR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL, AND LITERARY PROGRAM FROM TIME TO TIME AS NECESSARY TO MEET THE CONTINUING NEED TO EMPOWER HOMELESS PEOPLE.

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# LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

## Quit Smoking and Drinking

Are you a poor or homeless person who smokes over a pack of cigarettes a day or drinks to excess? If you are a family man you are cheating your family and if you are single you are needlessly harming your health.

Elected officials and big government are hypocritical when they on one hand ask you to protect your health by not smoking or drinking and on the other taxing these harmful products.

If you can stop smoking and drinking then you automatically come out of poverty. The average person will save between \$50.00

and \$100.00 per week! Imagine all the nice experiences your families and you can enjoy.

Stop poverty. Stop smoking and drinking beer and alcohol.

--Frank Perna, Veterans Representative in SNAHP, Southern Nevada Advocates for Homeless People

## They Don't Need Lip Service

Dear Forgotten Voice,

It's AKA Watch-dog Henry, writing another letter concerning the homeless advocates who need to do more for my homeless

brothers and sisters.

They don't need lip service and broken promises of betrayal.

Maybe the military of other countries need to be called in to liberate my homeless brothers and sisters from a dictatorship in city hall which is following the footsteps of Hitler. A society that is becoming socialism.

How can you treat another human being with such hatred? Because circumstances out of their control lead them in becoming homeless. You judge them and you don't even know them.

We that proclaim that we are Christian need to step up and show our love toward our brothers and

sisters so that God will heal our nation.

Our brothers and sisters are hurting out there on those streets. I know because I was out there. I cried many nights, I was sick, I was hungry, I was tired. Thank God, my Creator and my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who gave me the strength not to give up.

God loves everyone, even those who hate the homeless, and I love you also. God bless you and your loved ones.

--Henry Freeman

## LAS VEGAS

### Veterans Consumer Advisory Council

P.O. Box 97192  
Las Vegas, NV  
89193-7192

(702) 490-4491

Las\_Vegas\_VCAC@yahoo.com

This council is advisory to  
V.A. Director John Bright.

## Special Events

**Food Not Bombs:** Community group serving food to hungry people every Sunday at 10am at Baker Park on E. Saint Louis Avenue at S. 10th Street, Las Vegas, NV  
[Foodnotbombslasvegas@hotmail.com](mailto:Foodnotbombslasvegas@hotmail.com)

*"Be the change you want to see in the world."*  
--Mahatma Gandhi

*If you won't be making food, you can still show up to serve, to eat, or to just hang out.*

*Building community, one day at a time.  
Hope to see you all there!*



## SAVE THE DATE!

**November 10, 2009**

**Cashman Field Center**



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# THE MAN ATOP THE HILL

by Daniel Hoeweler

"A metaphor about freedom, capitalism and poverty."

There sat a mansion on a hill owned by a man who lusted for power over others. He looked down from the hill and thought of ways he could control those he viewed upon from his mansion. He came up with a plan to do so by creating a mathematical game for the people at the bottom of the hill to play. First the people at the bottom of the hill were taught that this game was the most important thing in their lives. They believed so because it gave them meaning and distracted them from other problems they might be having in their lives.

In this game the man atop the hill created numbers he could give to the people at the bottom of the hill motivating them do what the man wanted. Since he had created the game he made sure that his numbers were much higher and plentiful than everyone else. People believed the game was fair since he lived on top of a big hill in a mansion and they lived at the bottom.

He distributed these numbers as he wished to people at the bottom of the hill giving friends and work-

ers who were considered by him to be more important higher numbers. When players at the bottom of the hill didn't play the game as he wanted he gave them lower numbers to punish them for not playing the game properly. Everyone looked down on people assigned low numbers as they were taught this was a sign of weakness, and they deserved this, since the man atop the hill knew better than they did.

The man would sometimes go to the bottom of the hill and do as he wished giving much needed numbers to them. The bottom of the hill was his playground since he could do as he pleased, having so many numbers and all.

It was unfortunate for the man that the people at the bottom of the hill could also create a mathematical system affecting how he distributed the numbers at the bottom of the hill. This was collectively done by voting in individuals who could manipulate the numbers much like the man. The man became angry that the people at the bottom of the hill had some say in how these numbers were distributed.

He plotted against the people at the bottom of the hill telling them

that they weren't free unless they allowed him to distribute the numbers as he wished. The people at the bottom of the hill became convinced of this since he lived in a mansion on top of a hill.

Usually the man on top of the hill got his way, since he only gave numbers to people who followed the rules of the game, and starved the people who didn't play the game as he wanted. Most of the people at the bottom of the hill were too busy worrying about their numbers to care if the game is fair or not. They were taught to never question the game or how it was played by the man atop the hill, else they be given no numbers at all. The people knew that individuals given no numbers lacked basic necessities. They became scared of this and were willing to be a slave to the man with all the numbers, as they didn't wish this upon themselves.

So the people at the bottom of the hill went living their "free" lives for the man atop the hill, collecting the few numbers he rolled down the hill. The man atop the hill enjoyed the game most, smiling and grinning as he had achieved exactly what he set out to do.

## RESOURCES

### **Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth**

Services for homeless youth under the age of eighteen or have been in the Nevada foster care system.

Phone: (702) 383-1332

Email: [info@nphy.org](mailto:info@nphy.org)

### **Street Teens**

Helping homeless and at-risk teens, ages 12-21, in the Las Vegas Valley.

Phone: (702) 215-4171

24 Hour Hotline: (702) 809-3585

Email: [StreetTeens@Earthlink.net](mailto:StreetTeens@Earthlink.net)

### **Las Vegas Rescue Mission**

Reaching the lost and serving the homeless with the Gospel of Jesus Christ since 1970.

Phone: (702) 382-1766

### **Shade Tree**

Shelter for homeless and abused women and children.

Phone: (702) 385-0072

Email: [va2@theshadetree.org](mailto:va2@theshadetree.org) or [ad@theshadetree.org](mailto:ad@theshadetree.org)

### **The Rape Crisis Center**

Provides crisis intervention, advocacy, support and education to those affected by sexual violence.

Phone: (702) 366-1640

Email:

[staff@therapecrisiscenter.org](mailto:staff@therapecrisiscenter.org)

Hearing Impaired Services: 1-800-326-6868, 24 hours a day or if in Nevada call 711.

National Domestic Violence Hotline TTY 1-800-787-3224

Language Line: National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233) - free 140 language line

### **Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN)**

Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN) provides support and advocacy for adults and children living with and affected by HIV/AIDS in southern Nevada.

Phone (702) 382-2326

Email: [afan@afanlv.org](mailto:afan@afanlv.org)

## **New City of Las Vegas Park Ordinance Goes Into Effect Oct. 5, 2009**

Effective Oct. 5, 2009, citizens wishing to consume alcohol in city parks must first obtain a picnic pavilion or special event permit from the Department of Leisure Services.

In addition, glass beverage containers are no longer permitted in city parks.

The new city ordinance, which was adopted by the City Council on June 17, 2009, is consistent with the city of Henderson, North Las Vegas and Clark County, which allow alcohol in reservable picnic pavilions and special event areas only, with a permit.

The new city ordinance has a 12-month sunset period ending on Oct. 1, 2010.

An analysis will be made of the impacts and benefits of the ordinance change to determine if the ordinance will be extended after that date.

The prohibition of glass beverage containers will remain permanent.

For more information, visit the city's website at <http://www.lasvegasnevada.gov/Publications/19647.htm>

# CCSS POLICY / PROCESS CHANGES

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- Additional residency verification may be requested if:
  - The identification has a P.O. Box for the address.
  - The address on the identification is not the address on the client's application.
  - The client has recently relocated to Clark County.
  - The client's county of residence is questionable.
- Acceptable forms of residency verification include:
  - Utility bill in applicant or household member's name.
  - Rent receipt / mortgage statement with the applicant or household member's name. Rent receipt must include:
    - o Name of applicant.
    - o Amount of rent paid.
    - o Date rent was paid and the period the rent covers.
    - o Address for which rent was paid.
    - o To whom the rent was paid. (must be signed by an authorized representative)
    - o A phone number to contract and verify the rent receipt is valid. (only if reasonable suspicion exists)
- Voter registration card.
- School records indicating the applicant's child is enrolled in a school in Clark County.
- Documents of employment in the state of Nevada which also indicate a legal residence address in Clark County.
- Two (2) documents indicating the applicant has terminated residence in a prior state of domicile within the last 30 days. (i.e.: close /transfer bank accounts / lease termination / termination of public benefits, etc...)
- Tax records indicating a Clark County address.
- Documentation of public assistance from a Clark County agency other than CCSS which also requires proof of residence.
- USCIS or foreign consulate documentation indicating the applicant's intent to reside in Clark County.
- Health Department records indicating a Clark County address.
- Pay stubs indicating the applicant's name and a Clark County residential address.
- Vehicle registration in Clark County.

## NEARLY LACERATED BY A WEED WHACKER

by D.H. Kerby

*Destitute, hungry, thirsty,  
With no bed to sleep in,  
Sleeping in streets  
Patrolled by soldiers  
Under martial law,  
Days after a coup d'état,  
Expecting money from my mother  
Through Western Union,  
Which refused to cooperate with me,  
Though Amy Goodman has reported  
That it cooperates with the CIA,  
I became,  
As I think anyone would under those circumstances,  
Obstreperous and even a little bellicose.*

*Finally deciding that the Western Union office would not  
Be persuaded that I was to be funded,  
I lay down in front of the building,  
Intending to sleep there as a form of protest.*

*Here came the gardener with the weed whacker,  
Closer, closer and closer to my prostrate  
Body, clearly threatening to lacerate me;  
Ultimately, he drove me off.*

## Eastern Family Medical and Dental Center

The Eastern Family Medical & Dental Center at 2212 Eastern Avenue is the newest clinic in the Nevada Health Centers family of clinics and health services.

The new center offers medical and dental services for the poor and uninsured.

The medical care covers family practice and pediatric services, which include well child care and immunizations, preventive care, care for illnesses, care for chronic conditions, senior health care and

health education.

Dentists provide the full spectrum of dental care to patients age 5 and over.

Appointments are strongly recommended; some sites do see walk-ins for emergency needs.

Call the medical center to check on walk-in availability.

Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8 am - 5 pm  
Appointments: 702-735-9334  
Billing Questions: 1-800-787-2568

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was made possible  
by the homeless  
outreach organization*

*-- Straight From the Streets --*

*Thank you!*

## Quote of the Day

**"I believe that, as long as there is plenty, poverty is evil. "**

**--Robert F. "Bobby" Kennedy,  
United States Senator**

# DREAMCATCHER, Part 4

by Rick R., Homeless Advocate

"Man, you know you can't sleep at the bus stop," Veteran Dan said. "That'll give sergeant sphincter an excuse to mess with you." David shook his head to try to wake up, and took a minute to sort through that short time between dream and reality, what was and what wasn't. As reality became clear again, he rubbed his eyes, and wished he was back where he was a few minutes earlier. "Guess I musta dozed off for a minute," he said. "How come you aren't on the corner?" he asked Dan.

"Cop ran me off. It's getting harder and harder to make a buck. Where ya going?"

"Some lady gave me a card, said she might have work for me. Wants me to come to her office." He showed the card to Veteran Dan. "Here comes another bus..."

"Good luck," Dan said. "If ya get enough work, come get me. I'll probably be somewhere between here and Baker." David just nodded and got on the bus. He put two dollars in the box. "I ain't got no change," the driver said with an attitude. David just nodded and went towards the back, finding a seat as far away from the other passengers as possible.

The bus stopped at every bus stop. People came and went, no one seemed to talk much, no one would make eye contact with David. He just tried to stare out the window and wait til he got to his stop. He saw the office as he went by, just another generic small office complex. He got off the bus and walked back to it. He recognized the Pearl colored Lexus in the parking lot and went to the office.

The door chimed as he opened it and walked in. He was thrilled to see the sign on the wall, with a dreamcatcher at the end. There was nobody at the desk. A voice came from the back, "Can I help

you?" and Bridget appeared from around the corner. "Oh, it's you," she said. "I about gave up on you."

"I missed the bus, sorry," David said. He looked down at the floor, and noticed the boxes of files and papers.

"So what's your story?" asked Bridget. "How did you end up on the street? Don't you have any family to help you?"

"Fines? Were you drunk? Did you hurt anyone?"

"Blew a .11. Legally drunk. Smashed a pole. Only hurt me. You can look it up on the internet. You can also look up that I don't have any other record."

"What's your name?" she asked as she grabbed a pen and pad. "My name is David Tuohy, that's T-U-O-H-Y. But folks here call me Chief.

You can use this address to get an I.D."

David was speechless. He dropped his backpack next to the door and almost choked, trying to hold back a tear. "I can't afford my usual painter," Bridget said. "And Paul hates homeless people, he's going to blow a gasket. Piss on him. No parties, no smoking in the house, no overnight visitors. And I'll check on you everyday, if you don't do a good job, I'll boot you out. How long has it been since you had a bath?"

"I don't remember," said David.

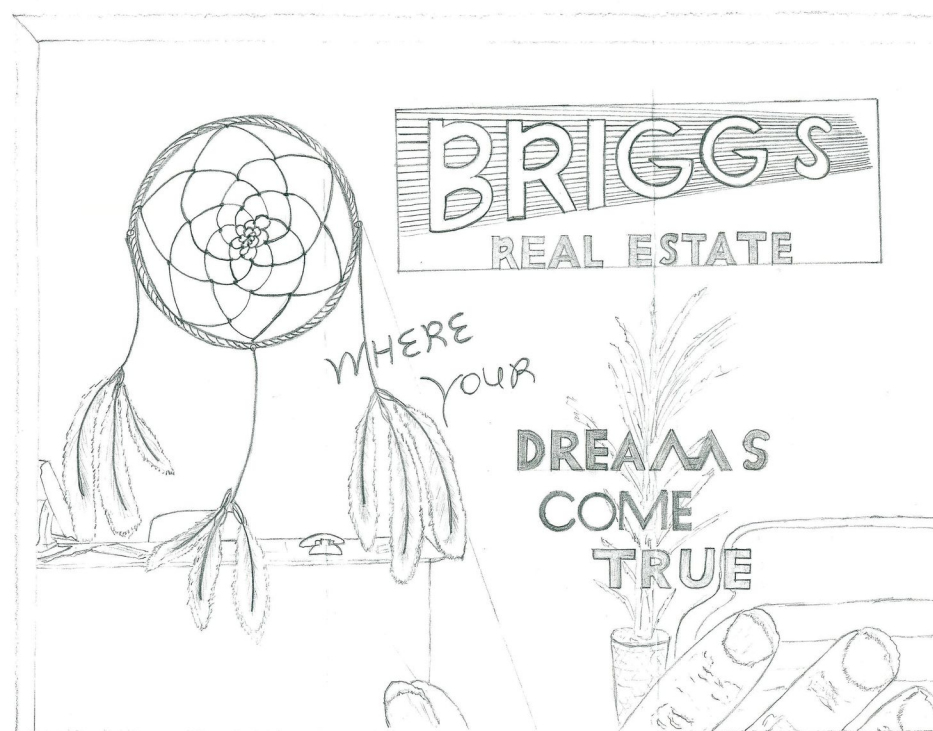
"I'll bring you some soap and a towel. There is a microwave, a couch, stove, and tv there. Here is the address, and another 20. Be there at 7:00. C'mon, give me a hand with the stuff in my car." They went to the Lexus and she opened the trunk. A bag of potatoes was spilled out among the boxes. "Can I have a couple of those?" David asked.

"What are you going to do with them?"

"I'm gonna eat 'em."

"Raw? Well, take what you want." David took a few, put them on top of a box, and carried it to the office. He put the potatoes in his backpack and started moving things as Bridget directed him to. It wasn't long before all the work was done.

"I got things to do," Bridget said. "Meet me there at 7, don't be late." "You bet," David said. "And bless you and thank you. I'll see you there...."



**DREAMCATCHER\_4**

Artwork: by Brian Thrasher

"Well, I was going to go to college, I had a football scholarship. But I blew out my knee. I was doing O.K. with painting and stuff til I wrecked my truck. Lost my license, and my truck. And with no license or truck, can't get a job. Couldn't pay my fines. Heard there was work here, and a good bus system. Thought I would try to work my way out of it. Can't get a job with no I.D. Can't get an I.D. without money and a birth certificate. Can't get a birth certificate with no address. I got an uncle out by lake Eufala, still makes whiskey 'cause he still knows how. But he cooks that crystal meth because the shine don't sell."

I guess 'cause I'm indian."

"Well, Chief, maybe we can help each other out. Sounds like you are being honest. I'll need your social security number. I'll have a policeman friend check you out. I am moving to this front office, can't afford a receptionist anymore. You can work off that twenty I gave you, just move all these boxes to the back office. I've got more in the car. I have a rent house I am going to sell, but it needs to be painted. And my ex, Paul, is in it now, he is supposed to be out today. Insurance doesn't cover a vacant house. I'll let you stay there and pay you a little if you will paint it and do a good job.

## Yarn for Vera

Looking for donations of yarn, new or scrap yarn will do; and, color doesn't matter. Vera crochets hats for the homeless and needs your help to continue her good work. If you are interested in donating, please send e-mail to [forgottenvoice@gmail.com](mailto:forgottenvoice@gmail.com)

# FREE FOOD PLACES

Courtesy of Daril Lev

1. Every Sunday morning at 8:00 am, Dream Center of Las Vegas- located at 911 North G Street, near Washington, has a free pastries, and bread give-away.
2. Every Monday night after 7:00 pm, on the cross-streets of G Street, near McWilliams, a hot dinner and drinks are served.
3. City Mission of Las Vegas, 2214 North Pecos, between Lake Mead, and Carey, serves breakfast on Tues., Wed., Thurs., and Sat.- only, following a short Bible message at 7:00 am. They also serve lunch on those same days, following a short Bible message at 11:00 am.
4. Every Wed. thru Sat. only, at 6:30 am, on the cross-streets of G Street, and McWilliams, a hot breakfast will be served.
5. Every Wed. at 10:30 am, closed summer months! Greater New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church 1122 North D Street, near Madison, serves a hot meal, 3 drinks, following a 30 min. Bible message.
6. St. James the Apostle Church, located near Martin Luther King, and Lake Mead, hands out sack lunches on Wednesdays at 11:00 am. They might be closed summer months though!
7. Christ Episcopal Church, located at 2000 South Maryland Pkwy., near St. Louis, serves a hot meal, and drinks every Wed. night at 5:45 pm. Food Pantry open Monday thru Friday, 10:00 am until 12 noon. Food Vouchers located at HELP of Southern Nevada at 8:00 am. Martin's Closet (clothes and household items) opens Tuesdays 10 am - noon, and, Thursdays at 3 - 5 pm.
8. Ebenezer Hands of help Outreach located on Bartlett Street, near Martin Luther King and Carey, serves a hot meal, and drinks, every Wed. night at 6:00 pm. Closed summer months!
9. Dream Center of Las Vegas, located at 911 North G Street, near Washington serves a hot meal, and drinks, every Thursday night at 5:30 pm. Doors open after 4 pm.
10. Second Baptist Church, located near Madison and E Street, serves a hot breakfast, on the last Saturday of every month only, before 8:00 am.
11. Progressive Pilgrimage Christian Fellowship, located on E Street, in between F Street, and McWilliams, serves a hot meal, on the last Saturday of every month only, before 9:00 am.
12. Victory Baptist Church, located near the cross-streets of E Street, and Monroe, has a feeding on the 2nd, and the 4th Sat. of every month only, at 10:30 am.
13. Calvary Downtown Outreach, located in the back parking lot of Holy A.M.E. Church, which is located at 700 Lola Ave., on Cristina Street, which is near Lake Mead, and Las Vegas Blvd. North, serves a hot meal, and drinks, every Sat.- only, at 12:00 pm.
14. Church of the Harvest, a Filipino Church near E. Sahara and Commercial Center [on State Street] feeds on Saturdays at 11:30 am. Doors open 10:30 - 10:45 am.
15. Las Vegas Rescue Mission, located on D Street, near Bonanza, serves a hot meal- every Mon. thru Sat. night, at 5:00 pm, and every Sun. night, their evening feeding will be at 4:30 pm. Las Vegas Rescue Mission, also serves hot coffee, and dessert every night, following their Church service which starts at 7:30 pm. On Sunday evening, Church service at 7:00 pm.
16. St. Vincent's, serves coffee and donuts at 6:00 am, every day on Foremaster Lane, near Main Street, and before Owens Ave., and they also serve a hot lunch every day at 10:30 am, on Mains St., after Foremaster Lane, and before Owens Ave.
17. Salvation Army, located on West Owens Ave., near Main Street, serves breakfast every day between 6:30 and 7:00 am. They also serve lunch, every day at 2:40 pm.
18. Morell Park BBQ Feeding, in Henderson, every Friday at 11:30 am, near Boulder Hwy., and Major Ave.
19. St. Timothy's Church in Henderson, near Boulder Hwy. And Texas Ave., feeds Mon. thru Thurs. at 4:00 pm and Sat. at 11:00 am and Sunday at 12:00 pm.

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## Community Empowerment

### Factors of Poverty;

**The Big Five:** The factors of poverty (as a social problem) that are listed here, ignorance, disease, apathy, dishonesty and dependency, are to be seen simply as conditions. No moral judgement is intended. They are not good or bad, they just are...

**If each of us** make a personal commitment to fight the factors of poverty at whatever station in life we occupy, then the sum total of all of us doing it, and the multiplier effect of our actions on others, will contribute to the decay of those factors, and the ultimate victory over poverty.

--Phil Bartle, PhD

<http://www.scn.org/cmp/modules/emp-pov.htm>

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# Register to Vote!

## Who can register to vote?

Nevada law provides that you must be 18 years of age or over, a U.S. Citizen, and a resident of Nevada for 30 days preceding any election. If you will be 18 years old or will have met the residency requirement at the time of the election, you are also eligible to register to vote. Any person who has been declared by a court to be mentally incompetent is not eligible to register and vote. Felons who have not been restored to their civil rights are not eligible to register and vote; however, recent legislation has provided for automatic restoration of the right to vote for those who have been honorably discharged from prison, probation or parole, with certain exceptions related to the seriousness of the crime committed.

For more information, see the restoration of voting rights page at <http://sos.state.nv.us/elections/voter/restoration.asp>

## Where Can I Register to Vote?

Residents of Nevada can register to vote at any NV Department of Motor Vehicles office, at their County Clerk/Registrar of Voters' office, various social service agencies and on college campuses.

For a list of County Clerks and Registrars, go to: <http://sos.state.nv.us/elections/voter/clerks.asp>

## Can I register to vote online?

Nevada law does not provide for online voter registration. However, you may obtain a copy of the federal voter registration application online at: [http://www.eac.gov/files/voter/nvra\\_update.pdf](http://www.eac.gov/files/voter/nvra_update.pdf).

## When would I need to update my registration?

You will need to submit another voter registration indicating your current information if you have changed your physical address, your name, or your party affiliation.

Source: <http://sos.state.nv.us/elections/voter/registration.asp>

## Restoration of Voting Rights in Nevada

In General

In 2003, the Nevada Legislature passed Assembly Bill 55, which restored, among other things, the right to vote for persons convicted of certain felonies. Pursuant to NRS 213.155, persons convicted of certain felonies and have been discharged honorably are immediately restored the right to vote. NRS 213.157 provides that persons convicted of certain felonies who have served out their sentence are immediately restored the right to vote.

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## Related Article:

### Restoring Your Right to Vote

[http://www.forgottenvoice.org/archive/FV\\_V2\\_No4.pdf](http://www.forgottenvoice.org/archive/FV_V2_No4.pdf)

# Call 2-1-1

## Callers can access:

- \* Basic human needs resource (food, clothing, shelter, temporary financial assistance, transportation, disaster)
- \* Physical and mental health resources (crisis intervention, prenatal care, support groups, counseling, drug and alcohol intervention, rehabilitation, children's health insurance programs)
- \* Financial stability (EITC, WIC, credit counseling, food stamps, rent and utility assistance, unemployment benefits, job training, education programs)
- \* Support for older Americans and persons with disabilities (home health care, adult day care, congregate meals, Meals on Wheels, respite care, transportation, homemaker services)
- \* Support for children, youth and families (childcare, after-school programs, family resource centers, summer camps, recreation programs, mentoring, tutoring, literacy programs, protective services)
- \* Volunteer opportunities and donations
- \* Support for community crisis or disaster recovery (2-1-1 systems in other states have proven valuable in disaster relief efforts in other communities. Nevada 2-1-1's capabilities in this area will be developed as funding allows.)

## Capabilities:

Service is available to 99.5% of Nevada's population including most cellular subscribers. Service is currently available from 8 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, excluding holidays. Extended days and hours will be developed/enhanced as additional funding becomes available.

2-1-1 is not a substitute for 9-1-1 (emergency services), 4-1-1 (telephone directory assistance) or other specialized hotlines or automated recordings. Those with hearing/speech impairments may access 2-1-1 services by calling 7-1-1. Translation services are available to those calling 2-1-1.