

## Planned Giving Supports the Common Language Trust

Your support of the U.S. ENGLISH Foundation is critical as it disseminates information on English teaching methods, sponsors educational programs, develops English instructional materials, represents the interests of Official English advocates in the courts, and promotes opportunities for people living in the United States to learn English.

With your help, we are protecting English, our common, unifying language via the **Common Language Trust**.

The Common Language Trust is comprised of a select circle of civic-minded individuals who have chosen to make a **legacy gift** to the U.S. ENGLISH Foundation. The most frequent types of legacy gifts are bequests through a will or transfers of stock or property.

Our free **Guide to Giving** brochure explains how a planned gift not only provides the Foundation with

the reliable source of funds needed to carry out our mission to preserve our common language — but how a gift may substantially reduce your taxes or reduce taxes for your loved ones should you decide to make a gift through your will.



Rest assured, all inquiries on making a planned gift to the U.S. ENGLISH Foundation will be completely non-binding and strictly confidential.

If you'd like to learn more about how you can create a lasting legacy and make a strong statement on your vision for the future, the U.S. ENGLISH Foundation offers other free booklets, including "How to Make a Will That Works," that can help you prepare for this important discussion

with your attorney. If you would like to receive any of these helpful resources, please call Victoria Renard, Director of Special Programs, at 800-787-8216 or email [vrenard@usenGLISH.org](mailto:vrenard@usenGLISH.org).

## 2010 Scholarship Winner Announced!



Cassandra Kramer, 2010 Scholarship Winner

Cassandra Kramer, of Allentown, PA, was recently awarded the 2010 Foundation scholarship of \$1,500 as she finishes her Master's degree in Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) at the University of Delaware. A graduate of Temple University with a degree in Broadcast Journalism, Kramer is preparing for a career as an ESL instructor and has spent time in Ecuador teaching English at rural elementary schools. She believes that "knowing English is vital and extremely important for [immigrants'] success" and that "English can provide more educational and career opportunities for immigrants here in the United States."

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## Books Donated to Santa Clara University

The USE Foundation has proudly donated 22 copies of *Democracy or Babel* for students studying this fall at Santa Clara University.

In this book, Fernando de la Pena eloquently argues the importance of mastering English from his own experience and in the words of many people newly arrived in this country. He explains the ways in which language isolation can do economic, political, and even cultural damage to immigrant groups in this country. In his words, “Linguistic equality — the knowledge that you can speak with and understand others around you — contributes to political and racial equality as well.”

The book also recounts the life of an immigrant whose hard work, embracement of American culture, society, and our common language earned him unprecedented success — Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

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“It is an honor to present Cassandra Kramer with this scholarship as she works to improve the lives of all immigrants by assisting in their learning of our common language, English,” said Chairman Mauro E. Mujica. “As a naturalized American citizen and immigrant from Chile, I understand the challenges immigrants face when they come to America. Students like Cassandra are an asset to the nation and absolutely imperative in ensuring everyone in this country has the same opportunities as those who came before us. And that requires having a firm grasp on the English language.”

For more information about the U.S. ENGLISH Foundation and the ESL Scholarship, please visit [www.usefoundation.org](http://www.usefoundation.org).

Share your story about teaching or learning English! Contact [vrenard@usenglish.org](mailto:vrenard@usenglish.org) or call 1-800-787-8216.



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### *Thank You*

All of these programs, research projects, and education initiatives take financial resources. We are able to be on the forefront of Official English because of your valued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mauro E. Mujica". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Mauro E. Mujica