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## The Transition

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## Social Problem/ Research

**Social Issue:** Students are currently not being prepared well enough to make the transition from high school to college.

### Ideal State:

- Have students get to college ready to be successful and have knowledge of what is going to be expected

### Current State:

- Students are struggling to meet expectations of higher education
- Dropout rates are high as students are not ready
- Programs must come in and help students learn as well as must make their way into mainstream education

### The Transition's Approach to Helping Resolve the Issue:

- The transition meets and holds workshops for young students who aspire to be successful in college and gives them the skills necessary to transition more smoothly to the next level.

## Service Learning Experience

**Service to Community:** I helped run and plan meetings to make everything smooth and efficient. I helped them plan to get more kids and spread awareness for the organization. I helped the kids with computer questions as well as helped give advise on note taking.

**Ex:** Met with founders to plan the meeting for how to effectively navigate a college website.

**Semester Reflection:** I have learned so much about myself as well as the topic of service learning and specifically students' transitions to college from high school. I learned that service learning is so much more than just being charitable and nice, but makes one feel more complete and happy as well. I encourage everyone to make some time to do this.

### Pros:

- Fulfilling
- Builds network
- Enjoyed being productive

### Cons:

- Traffic
- Difficult to allocate studying around at times

**Expectation:** I did not expect to have fun or like the people that I was working with but luckily I was wrong about both of these. I learned a lot about Nevada education systems and how they can be improved. I learned from the kids and felt that I was not only giving but receiving a good experience as well.

## Difference Making & Site Future

### Personal/Professional Learning:

- Better at managing time
- Better at dealing with multiple people at one time.
- More understanding of people who may not have had the same resources

### Differences Made:

- Became/will become a regular volunteer with The Transition
- Helped make setup and teardown easier for the other volunteers
- Helped make volunteering more fun.

### Plans for the Future:

- Continue volunteering
- Help get more students to be aware of The Transition
- Help get more volunteers.

