



Passport to a New Life A Step Towards Renewal



Nevada's ***Religious Alliance In Nevada*** needs your help by way of contributions to a new special revenue account in the State Treasury to cover the costs of obtaining valid identification for persons who have been released from incarceration; thus the creation of the **Reentry Account = RA**.

An ex-offender released without proper ID is:

- Unable to find work.
- Unable to find housing.
- Unable to pay restitution, supervision fees or child support.
- Cannot access Medicaid.
- Cannot obtain a license or identification card from the DMV.



The cost to obtain a proper ID is between \$25 to \$42:

- \$5-25 to obtain a birth certificate
- \$17 to obtain a Nevada ID



Background

In 2009, the Nevada legislature passed, with the strong support of RAIN, SB236. This legislation sets up an account to receive donations and grants to help ex-offenders on reentry. However, there was no money in the State budget to put in this account. Thus, there are currently no funds to help ex-offenders obtain proper identification if they are released back into society without it. Significantly, contributions put into this account may be eligible for matching funds from grants and other sources of revenue. This would greatly increase the chances that a coordinated reentry program could be developed in this State, to help those being released from incarceration. This could significantly reduce recidivism and the demand for other essential services needed by people who would otherwise have no place to go and nothing to do.

Please consider making a generous donation to help in the reentry initiative of RAIN. Be sure to designate on your check: **RA for the Reentry Account established in the Nevada State Treasury. Also, please indicate the Catholic Diocese in which you reside (Reno or Las Vegas). Make your check payable to the Nevada State Treasury and mail your gift to: Faith Lutheran Church, 2075 W. 7th St., Reno, NV 89503. RAIN will collect and send all donations to the Reentry Account. **THANK YOU** so much on behalf of the many you will help start a new life!**

“When you do it [for] the least of these, you do it [for] me” -Jesus (Matt. 25:40)

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