



My name is Steven Weiss. I am working with Community Bridges at the Live Oak Family Resource Center to serve as the Live Oak community's Neighborhood Engagement Specialist.

My community involvement began in high school in Sacramento where I first volunteered as a companion to children whose parents had cancer. Following high school, I worked with a number of community organizations and served as a VISTA volunteer in San Diego.

I transferred to UC Santa Cruz from Sacramento City College and graduated in 2005 with a degree in Community Studies.

I became fluent in Spanish through UC Education Abroad Program (a summer in Morelia, Mexico followed by a year in Granada, Spain) and performed a six-month field study in rural Nicaragua working for youth empowerment and social change.

Prior to joining the staff at Community Bridges Live Oak Family Resource Center, I worked as a substitute in the Live Oak School District and worked as a translator for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education. Most recently I was the Education Coordinator for the California Conservation Corps at the Monterey Bay Center, specializing in leadership development of young men and women.

Outside my work I enjoy many hobbies in my Live Oak home. Among other things I love playing volleyball and billiards, traveling, singing, art, and studying languages.

I am extremely happy to have the opportunity to continue to serve my fellow Live Oak residents, and I look forward to meeting you and working together to improve our community.