# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PLACEMENTS College of the Desert Homestay Program

### ISP OVERVIEW

International Student Placements has successfully placed thousands of international students with host families for over 25 years. Our host families represent the cultural diversity of the United States, coming from a variety of ethnic backgrounds and a wide age range. They can be couples, families with children, single adults, or retired from the workforce. This diversity ensures that each student will have a unique American experience through our program.

## DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMMODATION

Standard homes in the area include kitchen, living room, WiFi, cable television, laundry facilities, bed linens, and towels. ISP host families provide students with:

- A private, furnished bedroom
- Breakfast and dinner (if requested in application)
- Exposure to English language and immersion into American life
- Support, care, and guidance throughout the student's stay

#### **ISP SERVICES**

- Placing students with host families that match individual needs and are as close to school as possible
- A flexible 2- or 3-month homestay contract, which can be extended at no extra charge
- Personal airport pick up (if requested in application)
- Student support throughout contract period, with designated Area Coordinators who are available to assist students at all times and a 24-hour emergency phone number
- Prompt and personal attention to every student's need

#### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Complete the ISP application online at http://isphomestays.com/application/ or email us directly at admin@isphomestays.com for more information. All fees are paid with the student's application.



**ISP HOST REQUIREMENTS** 

- Hosts must pass a home inspection and complete a personal interview in the home
- Hosts must complete a criminal background clearance and ISP host training annually
- Hosts must live within a 15- to 60minute commute to school by public transportation
- Hosts must be dedicated to assisting international students

#### PRICING

- Placement fee:
- \$350
- Private bedroom and meals (breakfast and dinner):
   \$800 /month
- Private bedroom only (no meals):
  \$625 /month
- Airport pickup fee:\$80 per person

24-HOUR EMERGENCY NUMBER 650-947-8879

