

11/7/2018

Cafe Con Todos Juntos
Site Tour (open to the
public)

2/7/2019

10 Year Anniversary
Event



GOING PLACES



Thank you to
Buenos Aires café
for sponsoring our recent
student poetry
event and to all
who came!

BACK TO SCHOOL

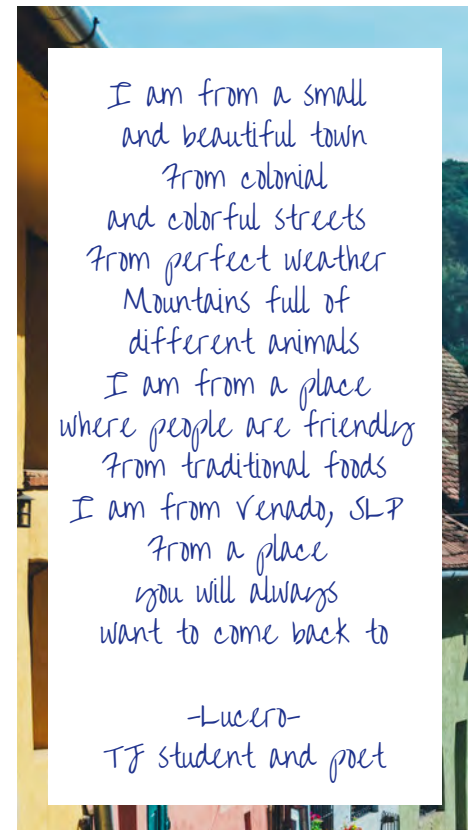
We are so happy to welcome 150 new and returning families to Todos Juntos! We are now entering the second month of classes, and children and parents are settling in to their new routines. Little ones are experiencing less separation anxiety and the sounds of singing and chatter over coffee are filling the hallways once again.



This year TJ is offering even richer learning with in-class music jams for the kiddos led by **Armstrong Community Music School**, Mami & Me dance and movement by **Leap of Joy**, an onsite Know Your Rights Health workshop, and more!



We are looking forward to an amazing 10th year! Thank you for being part of our village and helping Todos Juntos create a safe learning space for *all* families.



I am from a small
and beautiful town
From colonial
and colorful streets
From perfect weather
Mountains full of
different animals
I am from a place
where people are friendly
From traditional foods
I am from Venado, SLP
From a place
you will always
want to come back to

-Lucero
TJ student and poet

THIS LAND WAS MADE FOR YOU & ME

According to the Pew Research Center, inadequate English skills prevent 35% of Mexican green-card holders in the US from seeking Citizenship. At Todos Juntos, we're working to help Latinos overcome that barrier by offering an onsite Citizenship class along with professionally facilitated English classes. These classes are such an important part of their journey, and just this week Rosa, a TJ parent and student, took and passed her test! Felicidades, Rosa!

You can help us prepare even more students! On the morning of **November 15th**, our adult students will participate in a Mock Citizenship Test. We are seeking volunteers to facilitate individual interviews and practice tests with students. If interested, please contact us at raney@todosjuntoslc.org. Muchas gracias!

LENDING A HELPING HAND



Get to know our Board:

Q&A with Erica Ekwurzel

What has surprised you most about working with TJLC?

The biggest surprise is that not many people know about the great work of TJ. It's as if we're the best kept secret...but we shouldn't be! This presents a wonderful opportunity for TJ advocates (donors, volunteers, students, 2-gen proponents, policymakers, and others) to share the work and help grow the TJ network and ultimately, help expand TJ's program reach.

What is your favorite children's book?

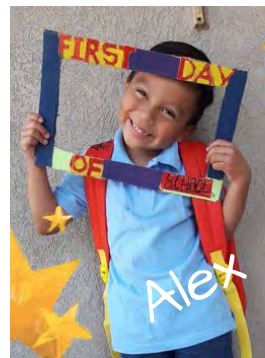
The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein is my favorite children's book. It speaks volumes of selfless love and everyday thoughtfulness we can share onto others. In fact, I gifted it to my first born, Alexis, in hopes one day it might be a favorite in her home library.

Volunteers are the life and blood of every organization, and while Todos Juntos is no exception, we think ours are extra special!

Both our young and adult students were thrilled to see the improvements that took place at the Center over the summer: Deloitte's Austin Team beautified TJ's interior by painting our halls and classrooms and creating a beautiful chalkboard wall for our community; Olga Campos Benz, along with Bloom communications and other volunteers, completely made over our entrance, and Vuka collective spent a morning creating a beautiful Pete the Cat mural for our chiquititos and planting herbs and flowers in our garden.

We want to thank the volunteers who work hard to make Todos Juntos a warm, welcoming place over the summer and beyond: **Olga Campos Benz and Kevin Benz, Vuka Collective, and Deloitte**, as well as our longtime volunteers **Esther Diaz, Ingrid Sprangle, Kathy Long, Yana Kushner of Sousous Photography, our Events Committee, St. Ed's SERVE Team and Johnson & Sekin...** as well as our new Americorps member, **Leah Pierce**. Gracias a todos!

TAKING BIG STEPS...



Jaime has been a part of the Todos Juntos community since he was just a few months old, and graduated from our program in May. He is enjoying kindergarten and was named the September Star Student.

Allison also started school, and her teacher was impressed with how much self-confidence she has! Her mom was especially proud that she wasn't afraid to start a new year at a new school!

And do you remember **Alex** from our Hispanic Impact Fund video? Look at that big smile on his first day of school! Just like Allison and Jaime he is loving big-kid school and really excited about learning!

Until next time...
keep an eye out
for our **Impact Report**,
online, in late October!