



todos juntos Going Places

Our 2023-2024 Impact Report is here!

Your support throughout the years has empowered countless families, providing them with the tools they need to succeed. Juntos, we've made a difference in Central Texas. You can learn more about what you helped us achieve in the [2023-2024 Impact Report](#). Thank you for believing in our mission and investing in our community!



MEET TODOS JUNTOS BOARD MEMBER

Sydney Padilla Wilburn



What initially motivated you to join TJ's BOD?

I learned about Todos Juntos through a friend and colleague, Erica Ekwurzel. Erica served on the board of Todos Juntos for many years and was a strong advocate for TJ's mission. When I mentioned to her that I was looking for a board to join and shared with her my interest in serving immigrant populations in our community, she instantly made the connection to TJ. After attending the 15th Power of Language "Quniceañera" celebration, taking a tour of TJ's classrooms, and meeting with leadership, I was hooked!

What specific aspects of being a board member do you find most fulfilling?

So far in my board service at TJ, I have found it very fulfilling to share TJ's mission with new people. This summer, we engaged in our back-to-school fundraising campaign, which gave me the chance to introduce my friends and family to TJ's mission and spread the word about the work they do with my network. I have also appreciated the chance to learn more about the inner workings of a successful, growing nonprofit like Todos Juntos and how growth and change happens behind the scenes.

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The excitement of a new beginning!

The first day of school is always filled with excitement and anticipation. We were thrilled to welcome back our returning students and greet new faces to the Todos Juntos Learning Center family. As we embark on this new school year, we're eager to create a vibrant and supportive learning environment where every student can thrive. As our impact keeps growing, so does our team, and that's why **this fall we are welcoming 4 new team members and 2 interns** to support our mission. Wishing all our students and families a wonderful and successful year ahead!



Nataly Case
Case Manager



Margarita
ECE Assistant Teacher



Ruby Saludables
Juntos Intern



Luz Mi Familia & Me
Facilitator



Maribel
Community Navigator



Karina
Communications Intern

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities!

12/16/24- Mi Familia & Me Holiday Celebration

- Create holiday joy by dressing as Santa or an elf, handing out gifts, books, hot cocoa, and more, and/or wrapping gifts beforehand.

Ongoing - Virtual English Buddies

- Help our adult students practice their English during out of school time through Zoom. This is a year-round opportunity that makes a big impact!

For more information, please reach out directly at delphi@todosjuntoslc.org



Directly from Early Childhood Ed



The first days of school are an exciting milestone for children, marking the beginning of new friendships and experiences. These are pivotal moments for social-emotional development, where kids learn to navigate their feelings, build confidence, and develop essential social skills. As they **interact with peers** and teachers, they practice sharing, cooperation, and empathy, laying the groundwork for lasting relationships. Encouraging open communication, forming school to home connections, and building on emotional expression help children feel safe and their families supported. This is all possible because of our amazing, hardworking **Todos Juntos Escuelita Team**, who work each day to support families in their transition to school, creating a positive experience that fosters resilience and growth in our littlest learners.



Grants: Fueling Our Mission

Grants are a lifeline for nonprofit organizations like ours, providing much-needed funding to support our mission and programs. Unrestricted funds, in particular, offer incredible flexibility, allowing us to allocate funds where they are most needed. This empowers us to innovate, respond to emerging needs, and achieve our goals. Grants are not just financial support; they represent a vote of confidence in our work and a commitment to the communities we serve. Thank you to the amazing work of our team, this school year we have been awarded grants from **The Moody Foundation, The Long Foundation, Texas Mutual, and St. David's Foundation**. We are very grateful to these foundations for fueling our mission!



AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE NOW!

Travis County Affordable Childcare Now is on the ballot November 5th. This initiative aims to improve child development, support families, and strengthen our economy. Learn more and get involved at Affordable Childcare Now. Thanks to your support, Todos Juntos provides free, quality early education and family services. Let's work together to build a brighter future for even more Central Texas families! .



MEET TODOS JUNTOS BOARD MEMBER SYDNEY PADILLA WILBURN

What message would you like to share with our supporters and stakeholders about the importance of TJ's work?

I believe that newcomers to Central Texas should not only feel welcomed and supported by their community, but should also be provided access to the tools that will help them succeed in a new place. This includes quality education and finding a sense of belonging. Todos Juntos fulfills both of these needs for multi-generational families to better prepare parents and their little ones for their next stage in life. TJ provides the quality education, language classes, job placement, mental health support, and community building that is required for a strong foundation for Central Texas families to thrive.

What's a fun/interesting/boring fact about yourself?

My favorite holiday is Halloween!



Is there a specific quote or motto that inspires you in your leadership and decision-making?

I'm inspired by the idea that everyone can be and is a leader in their own way. I have learned from supervisors I look up to that everyone has their own unique leadership style and not to compare my strengths and talents to others. There is not a one-size-fits all idea of "a good leader" and we can all inspire others in our unique way.

Thank you for being a thoughtful partner and committed member of our TJ community, Sydney!

