

# todos juntos **Going Places**

## Conversation Club and Bilingual Group Counseling

Each summer, Todos Juntos continues to be a place for learning, connection, and support for the whole family.

Throughout June, nine dedicated volunteers led four **Conversation Club** sessions, giving adult learners a welcoming space to practice English, build confidence, and connect with others.

While parents practiced English, **La Escuelita** provided nurturing care and enrichment for their little ones, ages 1–4, while our partners at **Creative Action** hosted creative summer camps for their older siblings, ages 5–12. The whole family could learn, create, and grow at the same time.

Our Saludables Juntos team also hosted a **Spanish-language counseling group for women**, facilitated by **Austin Bilingual Therapy**, where participants explored mental health, self-care, and cultural expectations in a safe and supportive environment.

We are grateful to the volunteers, partners, and team members who make these summer opportunities possible for our families.



## CHW Graduates

This summer, Todos Juntos students completed their **Community Health Worker** training in partnership with **El Buen Samaritano**. With new skills, knowledge, and a deep understanding of their communities, these graduates are prepared to serve as trusted bridges—helping families navigate resources, access care, and feel supported along the way. We are proud to celebrate this meaningful achievement and the impact they will continue making across Central Texas. ¡Felicidades!



### ! IMPORTANT

Help us stock the **Todos Juntos Holiday Toy Store!** 🎁

We're looking for corporate partners to help fill our store with new toys and gifts for children of all ages.

The beauty of our Holiday Toy Store is that parents get to shop for their own children at no cost, choosing gifts that feel just right for each of their babies. With wrapping stations available, parents will leave with personally selected gifts wrapped and ready for the holidays.

It's a joyful way to engage your employees, strengthen your company's local impact, and help make the holidays special for Todos Juntos families.

Ready to get involved? Contact our Development Team at [advancement@todosjuntoslc.org](mailto:advancement@todosjuntoslc.org).



## Meet Our New ESL Teaching Team

As we begin a new school year, we're thrilled to welcome an ESL teaching team whose experiences span languages, cultures, and classrooms around the world, making them especially well suited for the Todos Juntos community.

Lead ESL Teacher **Bonnie** brings a master's degree in linguistics and teaching experience across Europe and the Middle East, including Jordan, Latvia, and Azerbaijan. She will teach Levels 1 and 5. **Kathryn**, our Level 2 teacher, has taught English in both the United States and India and brings nonprofit experience leading scholarship programs and projects. **Alexis**, who will teach Level 3, has supported Afghan refugees right here in Austin and taught at an international school in Kuwait. She also holds degrees in Arabic language and adult education. **Jenni**, our Level 4 teacher, knows the language-learning journey from both sides, as an educator and a language learner herself. She began her teaching career in Santiago, Chile, before continuing her work in the United States.

Their experiences feel like a perfect match for Todos Juntos. They understand that learning a new language is about so much more than vocabulary and grammar. It's about navigating a new community, building confidence, creating connections, and opening doors to new opportunities.

We can't wait to welcome our students back and see what they accomplish together this year!



## Join us this Back to school!

This back-to-school season, **we're celebrating 18 years** of learning and growing together. Help us reach our **\$15,000 goal** and create more opportunities for parents and children to learn, build confidence, and find community side by side. Make a gift of any amount that's meaningful to you by visiting **[todosjuntoslc.org](https://todosjuntoslc.org)** and let's continue cultivating growth, juntos!



## Learning, Leading, and Growing Together

When our team grows, our ability to serve families grows with it.

This summer, our managers and directors participated in two days of professional development with longtime nonprofit coach and Todos Juntos supporter Gary Gold-Moritz of **GGM Nonprofit Consulting**, focused on communication, delegation, and decision-making. Our full team also came together for a session on managing up.

The conversations went beyond building better management skills. We explored what it takes to create a culture where people trust one another, expectations are clear, honest conversations help people succeed, and team members feel empowered to lead and make decisions.

Because ultimately, the strength of Todos Juntos depends on the people behind the work. As our organization grows and the needs of our community evolve, investing in our team helps us become stronger leaders, better colleagues, and a more effective organization for the students and families who count on us.

We're not just growing a team. We're building the leadership and trust needed to serve our community well for years to come.



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