## Message From the TODOS President October 2022

## Plan to Be in Albuquerque in June 2023 for the 2023 TODOS Conference

The fall season is well underway for those of us who live in the northern hemisphere. I say this because I write this enews post from territories in the southern hemisphere where spring is starting. Bushes are beginning to bloom and it is a stark reminder of the different seasons as leaves are falling off trees where I live in the northern hemisphere. It is a time in the northern hemisphere when professional development sessions and conferences are being advertised and we are being asked to participate and learn.

My note this month is to invite you, and for you to invite your colleagues, to participate in the 2023 conference from June 21-23, 2023, in Albuquerque, NM. The conference theme, "Actions in Mathematics Education (AiME): Catalyzing, Cultivating, and Expanding Critical Transformations."

I invite you and your colleagues to participate in ways that are most comfortable for you:

- 1. You might wish to **share** some of the work that you do, individually or collectively, about supporting a high quality mathematics education for ALL learners. The call for <u>proposals</u> is open till **October 28** and we invite you to submit your ideas.
- 2. You and your colleagues might wish to participate in the sessions learning from speakers and from other participants.

TODOS: Mathematics for ALL is planning for an in-person conference and we are all aware that we have much to learn about safety in a time when COVID 19 is no longer considered a pandemic but an endemic. As well, we are committed to being as inclusive as possible throughout the conference - and this means looking at all aspects of conference activities - to promote an inclusive and accessible environment for ALL humans that participate.

If you've not previously participated in a TODOS conference then know that TODOS plans activities that encourage participants to build relationships among and between humans, ideas, and knowledge systems. We look for ways to invite each other, in all of our individual and collective diversity, to walk and live in ways that catalyze, cultivate, and expand critical transformations in mathematics education for ALL.

If you'd like to know more about the ways in which conferences and congresses might be inclusive for ALL then I invite you to explore the report <u>Igniting Change</u>. The report was produced in 2021 for a national organization in Canada and outlines some possibilities for conference organizers to consider. The TODOS Conference Committee and Board are reviewing this report.

So, as TODOS moves forward in the planning of an in-person time together I ask that you keep an eye out for the developments related to not only the outstanding program that is being planned, but also for practices related to a safe and inclusive experience.

I ask you to be a part of the conversations that collectively Expand Critical Transformations by:

- 1. SAVING the DATES and PLANNING to be in Albuquerque NM, June 21 23, 2023; AND
- 2. **INVITING** your colleagues to join YOU!

With respect and gratitude,

Florence Glanfield, President TODOS: Mathematics for ALL