



JUNTOS First Youth Summit
Jo Zamora, Facilitator, May 28-29, 2008

JUNTOS Youth Goals:

- Identify barriers between NNM communities and cultures
- Bring diverse voices to the table
- Learn about social justice and equity
- Address issues like racism, stereotyping, economic & educational disparities
- Improve communication skills - on-going, authentic dialogue
- Learn about the diverse cultures in NNM
- Share music, food, histories
- Seek methods of positive, sustainable change
- Challenge our comfort zones
- Develop leadership skills
- Have fun together!

JUNTOS

Joining and Understanding Now,
Teens Overcome Separation

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“I used to be afraid to go to Los Alamos. Now I’m not.” -JUNTOS youth from Española



EVHS students visiting LAHS for a JUNTOS youth meeting & tour



JUNTOS art murals from Youth Summit—May, 2008

"We are really all just one in the same."
-JUNTOS youth from Los Alamos

What is JUNTOS?

JUNTOS (Joining & Understanding Now, Teens Overcome Separation) is a grassroots youth leadership program that is bringing the youth from Los Alamos, Española Valley, and Pojoaque together to overcome the separation that has existed between these communities for decades. The idea has spread rapidly since the first meeting in April, 2007. JUNTOS, which also means "joining together" in Spanish, is in its second year and welcomes any young people (7th-college) and adults who are interested in joining this challenging and rewarding process.



First Youth Meeting—May 29, 2007



What is in it for you?

- **Develop as a Leader:**

Adult and Youth leaders work together to build trust, understanding, and cultural awareness in Northern New Mexico.

- **Life Changing Events:**

JUNTOS has hosted joint meetings at high schools, a workshop on racism, team-building workshops, a bowling activity, training for youth as facilitators, and a Youth Summit; a two-day overnight event at the El Rito Campus of Northern NM College on May 28-29, 2008.



Campfire Skit at Youth Summit—NNMC's El Rito campus, May 28, 2008

Vision:

JUNTOS, a youth-driven initiative to create a new future through unity, by embracing and valuing all people, communities, and cultures.



Fall Bowling Activity, Nov. 15, 2008
Homemade Mexican meal served afterwards!

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