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My Dominican roots go deep – all the way back to kindergarten! I literally grew up with the Tacoma Dominicans. They educated me from kindergarten through high school. The Dominican spirit has had an amazing impact on all that I am and all that I do.

I taught with my Sisters in three of our own schools, in another staffed by us and others, and with Adrian Dominicans in yet another. Most of my ministry has been in secondary education as teacher and administrator with a focus on religious studies and developing curriculum and programs that address justice issues, Gospel formation, and have done some writing for Saint Mary's Press. I was involved in a variety of immersion experiences, retreats, and served on the board for Journey House, a group home for wards of the court.

Over the years I have been on many congregation committees, participated in Parable events, worked with Dominican Volunteers in Pasadena, traveled to the Lands of Dominic, represented our congregation at DSI and participated in Dominican and LCWR justice gatherings. I currently serve on the governing board of the Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center, Women' Justice

Circle board and the board of Northwest CRI. I am a member of Pax Christi Tacoma, Bread for the World, Advocates for Immigrants in Detention Northwest and advocate on behalf of issues that impact persons, especially those on the margins, and the earth.

On July 1 we began our second term on the leadership team. I continue as our Justice and Preaching Promoter. I love new challenges and look forward to being on the DSC Executive Committee, able to be a part of making a difference as we move together into the emerging future. Our Dominican charism is a rich gift to all of us, to our church and to our world – and it is still unfolding.

