

Update from the Dominican Sisters Futuring Leadership Team



September 17, 2022

Dear Sisters and Associates of the DSC,

This month the Futuring Leadership Team is engaged in planning for several events for Cohort Visioning. The first Cohort Visioning Zoom, held May 15 and May 16, focused on Initial Conversations about the Future. The second Cohort Visioning Zoom is scheduled for September 24th and September 29 and will focus on Dominican Relationships for the Future. We will be considering relationships within and beyond our own generation and the implications of age diversity in our views of the future of Dominican Life.

At the Dominican Sisters Conference in Milwaukee October 11-15, 2022, the Futuring Leadership Team will give presentations to the Executive Committee of the Dominican Sisters Conference and the Leadership Teams of Dominican Congregations. The purpose is to share what we have gleaned from online conversations with the Cohort over the past year, the work that has been accomplished so far in building a database, launching affinity groups, and creating a communication plan including regular updates and DomLife articles.

In September and October we will be previewing a prototype of a new online space to show the background of the futuring movement of the Dominican Sisters Conference, outline the Visioning Process with the Cohort as it is unfolding, and share the learnings and reflections from Affinity Groups discussing current topics of interest.

Visioning plans underway include a Cohort Visioning Zoom on November 12, 2022, focused on Dominican Life for the Future. We are pleased to announce that this Zoom will be facilitated by Ann M. Garrido, associate professor of homiletics at Aquinas Institute of Theology. She will engage the Cohort in reflection on *Our Dominican DNA: Shared Values Leading Us Into The Future*. The quarterly Zoom meetings in 2023 will set things in motion for an in-person gathering facilitated by Sherryl White, CSJ at Ohio Dominican University July 28-29, 2023.

Peace,

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