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## INTRODUCING OUR NEW LEARNING PARTNER

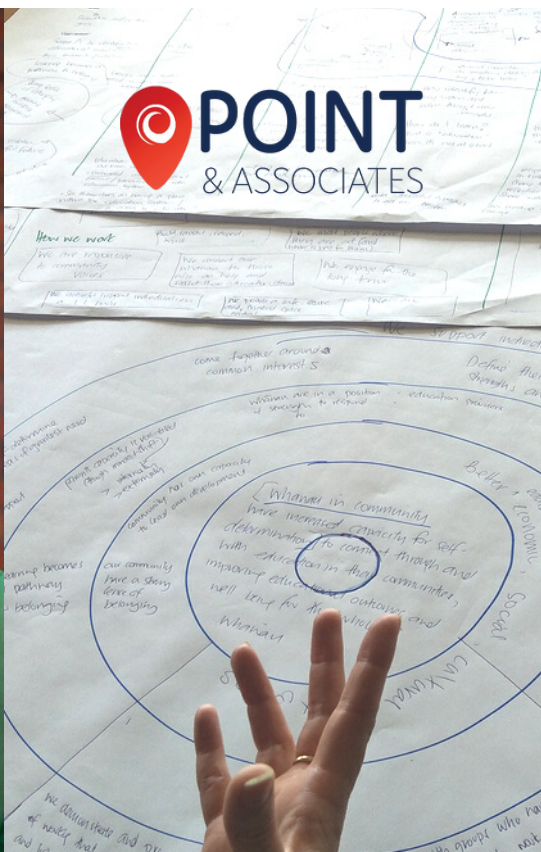
# POINT AND ASSOCIATES

As our collective understanding of systems change has grown, so has our thinking behind the methods and processes we use to evaluate long-term social change. At the heart of this work is an understanding that the process of evaluating progress towards equity must itself be equitable.

It doesn't make sense to do retrospective evaluations at the end of projects anymore. With long-term change, there isn't a clear end date so we need to learn, adapt and grow as we go. Learning has to be woven in and be useful in real time to our community partners.

In 2021 we made the move to partner long-term with Point and Associates to learn as we go as funders of systems change.

We will be following a simple, developmental evaluation framework which builds the capacity of community partners to help understand and evaluate their contributions to more equitable systems. This approach enables the Todd Foundation to understand and better enable the conditions for success while aligning with the goals of our community partners.



In the spirit of partnership we asked the team at Point (Nadine and Annalise) to share a bit about themselves and this partnership:

“We partner with changemakers who are redesigning the system to make the biggest difference for community and whānau. We understand that those working to change systems don’t need evaluations that make judgements based on a predetermined notion of ‘success’, instead we use evaluation to expose the messiness and uncertainty of systems change work and shine a light on potential and possibilities.

We co-create ways of working together which are developmental, appropriate, mana-enhancing, and participatory. If we don’t learn from each other in the process of working together then we haven’t done our job.

After 20 years we are lucky enough to be able choose to work only on things we feel



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passionate about (trust us, we had to do a fair few tuna-fish surveys to get here). We are excited about the work currently happening at the Todd Foundation and look forward to partnering with Todd on their learning journey.

We’d love to share some of our evaluation stories with you, if you’d like to know more, go to [www.point.co.nz](http://www.point.co.nz).”

