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To ELACC with love.

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This is Tammy Tamal.

Tammy loves her neighborhood.
Today Tammy's left her beautiful home in East Los to go on an adventure through the eastside.

Tammy loves her community and it's people.
But venture capital is threatening to change it all.
Tammy collects shapes to build her toolkit of resistance, love, critical thinking and action.
Can you help her collect shapes today?
Tammy’s first shape is the heart. Heart is...

Grandparents taking care of children.
Abuelitas buying pan dulce at the panaderia.
Smells of people cooking, roasting chiles on el comal.
Kids playing, running for paletas.

Tammy gets on her bike and sees Doña Ruty.
Doña Ruty tells Tammy she received an eviction notice.
Tammy sees the worry on Doña Ruty’s face.
Tammy provides Doña Ruty resources for help.
Tammy's second shape is the Triangle. A triangle is...

Grounded like a temple and reaches to the sky
A strong foundation held by earth
Roots providing shelter

What is basebuilding look like to you?

Tammy gets back on her bike and rides down 1st Street
Tammy decides to stop at Mariachi Plaza for a jugo.
Tammy sits on the plaza to listen to the Mariachis practice.
Tammy's next shape is a Circle. A Circle is

A group of community residents gathering to share their input
A microphone that amplifies the community's voice
A sphere where youth to express themselves artistically.

Tammy waits for the 30 bus to head to downtown to a City Hall hearing

Tammy is preparing her comments for the proposed USC graduate student housing in Boyle Heights
Tammy is tired of this shit and ready to take action
Tammy's next shape is a Star. A Star is...

A guiding light
A community leader who uplifts the people around her as they strive for a better future
The youth in ELACC Stars who do their homework and play with friends

Do you see any stars? Who are stars in your community?

On her way back to Boyle Heights, Tammy's feeling hungry and goes to 4th Street for tacos al pastor
She talks to Cari and they talk about the recent passing of SB 946
She is ecstatic because street vending is now legal!!!
Tammy’s next shape is a Square. A Square is...

A building block for movement and power
Four corners of neighbors living and harmonizing together
Essential from start to end

Tammy rides her bike to Casa del Mexicano to go to her jarana class!
On her way, she says hello to neighbors and to the kids playing in their yards
Tammy picks up the jarana and jams out.
Tammy's next shape is a diamond. A diamond is ...

A community resource
Time immemorial and everlasting
Our people, our culture and our home
Do you see a diamond? Where are the diamonds in your neighborhood?

Tammy ends her day at the community garden
She plants new seeds and cultivates the harvest
Tomatoes, maiz, squash, beans and fresitas abound
With her friends, neighbors and family, Tammy creates the world she wants to see.
Tammy’s last shape is a caracol. A caracol is...

A worldview and way of being and action
A deliberate and intentional act
A constant energy that flows, rejuvenates, and resists

Tammy has collected many shapes today for her toolkit today. What tools can you offer her?
The Eastside Adventures of Tammy
Tamal de Dulce, a book of shapes and
love for the Eastside.