



District 81

CANDIDATES CORNER

MAY 2020 MEETING

Greetings,

My name is Elka Price and I am honored to be the nominated candidate for Division E Director, District 81 for the 2020 - 2021 Toastmasters' year.

Seven years ago, when I became a member of Antigua Toastmasters Club, I had one goal in mind that was to answer any given question with more than two words "Yes or No". I felt accomplished when I was able to speak for one minute then five and more minutes. My Toastmasters journey assisted me to realize that this programme has so much more to offer me, as I found the friendly and supportive environment was ideal to grow as an individual.

To my surprise I was drawn to the leadership aspect of the Toastmasters programme and I enjoyed serving in all the roles, Sergeant at Arms, Treasurer, VP Education, President and Area Director. I was also a mentor for Crossroads Toastmasters Club assisting them to accomplish Distinguished status. I believe if you enjoy serving you will do an admirable job at it. It is for that reason I believe all my clubs in my area were distinguished and above when I was Area Director 2018 -2019. As President of Antigua Toastmasters Club, the Club Success Plan was never on the shelf, but a document referred to as my guide and guided the club to Presidents Distinguished Club Status 2019- 2020.

My goal as Division Director is to lead and support the Area Directors in my division as we work together to strengthen strong clubs and inspire weak clubs to grow. Also, we will ensure that each club achieves its mission and fulfills its responsibilities to its members. If given the opportunity to serve as Division E Director I will impart my knowledge gained over the years by dedicating my time to my Area Directors. I want to create opportunities for my fellow Toastmasters of St. Maarten, St. Martin, Anguilla, St. Kitts, St. Eustatius, Antigua, St. Croix, Tortola and St. Thomas to grow in the Toastmasters programme.