



# PUNTACANA FUNDACIÓN





## **Puntacana Foundation**

Enriching the life of those we serve, and dignifying and prospering the in need inhabitants of the region is one of the Puntacana Foundation's goals. Loyal to this claim, in the last month we have been immersed in diverse social projects that have enabled us to set forth this institutional philosophy, while integrating one of our principle values: Corporate Social Responsibility. In the near future, we will continue to advance with our partners, achieving the sustainable development of the most unprivileged communities.

### **EDUCATION**

Puntacana International School is a bilingual private school built and operated by the Puntacana Foundation to provide high-quality education to the children of the employees of Puntacana Resort & Club and members of the community. The Ann & Ted Kheel Polytechnic School was built and equipped by the Puntacana Foundation in 2004 in the nearby community of Veron. It is the only technical high school in the Punta Cana tourist area serving young people from poor families an Elementary School (5th to 8th grades) has been functioning during the afternoons in the same facilities since August 2011. The Puntacana Foundation also develops the Public Schools Supporting Program which consist of the donations of supplies and materials as well as the improvement of infrastructure and skills of the teachers.

### **HEALTH**

In 2006 the Puntacana Foundation led the rehabilitation and co-management of the Verón Rural Health Clinic with partner organization Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) and the Dominican Health Ministry. The only public health facility in the Punta Cana region, it now provides healthcare for a daily average of 150 patients per day in need. A Pediatric Unit was added in 2011 to enhance the services provided to children, the clinic continues to expand their facilities to a new emergency room that will be functioning in 2014. Other programs include Community Medical Missions, Mini-Med School and medical training for public hospital doctors and the members of the local organizations focused on the citizens protection.

### **SPORTS**

Puntacana Foundation has constructed a variety of sports facilities for local children, including a softball and baseball court in Verón and a basketball and volleyball court at the Ann & Ted Kheel Polytechnic High School in Verón. The Foundation also supports community sports tournaments like the Higüey Basketball Tournament among other programs such as Golf into Verón and Social Spirit of Tennis.



## CULTURE

In 2008 the Puntacana Foundation launched its first annual Puntacana Carnival to celebrate the Popular Carnival of the Dominican Republic in a local event for residents and visitors. Carnival is a great example of the Dominican's cultural wealth, enjoyed by a large number of people from diverse cultures.

The Puntacana Art Gallery is a small art gallery built and supported by the Puntacana Foundation, with the objective of providing a space for promoting national and international culture. The Foundation also host an Annual Christmas Carol at the Basílica of Higüey, with The Symphony Orchestra and The National Choir together with over 70 musicians and 80 choir member, thus initiating the beautiful holiday season.

## SECURITY

Contribute to providing our communities of highest rates of security is essential for the sustainable development of our region. In 2008 our Foundation built and furnished the new Police Station of Veron-Punta Cana zone, in 2013 we donated a land located in El Coral highway for the construction of an additional police station. Other initiatives are the donation of equipment, materials and training to the members of the organizations focused on the citizens protection.



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